

Hospital Emergency Department Telephone Survey Questions

(adapted for this replication guide)

- Does your emergency department (ED) perform forensic medical exams on sexual assault victims? If yes, who performs these exams? If SANEs perform the exams, how many SANEs are active at your hospital?
- If your ED has SANEs, what is the protocol it uses for calling them when a victim of sexual assault presents at their facility? For example, is the SANE on-call or is there a SANE scheduled for each shift?
- Since January 1 of this year (2002), how many sexual assault kits have been used by your ED?
- When working with sexual assault victims, does your ED follow the WV Protocol? If not, why?
- Do you have SANEs at your hospital who are trained but not actively conducting exams? If so, how many?
- Do you have nurses at your hospital who are interested in being trained as SANEs? If so, how many?
- What area does your hospital serve? Do you provide services to other areas? If so, what are those services?
- Does your hospital do any other regional networking or credentialing on other health care issues?
- Would your hospital credential with trained SANE nurses? Who would I talk with about the credentialing process at your hospital? (For the purpose of this survey, “credential” refers to a designation given to medical personnel to provide specialized care.)
- If a SANE mobile program were set up on a regional basis, would your hospital be able to provide any nurses to be trained as SANEs to participate in this program? If your hospital is not interested in participating, why?
- Is your hospital organized as a for-profit/not-for-profit organization?
- Who provides the medical ED services in your hospital? Are the doctors employed by your hospital or are services contracted? Are the nurses employed by your hospital or are services contracted?
- If services are contracted, what is the name/location of the company providing those services? How long have they been providing those services and when do the contracts expire? Do the contracts automatically renew or does the hospital have to solicit proposals each time?
- How much turnover does your hospital have among ED nurses?