

MICHIGAN FORENSIC EXAMINERS is a nonprofit organization that provides **24-hour access** to medical forensic exams for all victims of sexual assault.

Our job is to ensure the **health** and safety of victims post sexual assault.

Our sexual assault nurse examiners are specially trained to be **trauma-informed** and victim centered.

Victims can receive a medical assessment, as well as evidence collection, pregnancy prevention, and antibiotics for possible STI exposure.

Our sexual assault nurses examiners will travel to the nearest location site to the victim.

# All services and medications are 100% free to victims.

If you, or someone you know needs help or has questions, please contact the 24 hour Sexual Assault Crisis Line:

Saginaw County: **989-790-9118** 

Sanilac, Huron, Tuscola Counties: **989-551-8336** 

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### HOW COMMON S SEXUAL ASSAULT OR RAPE?

**Every 68 seconds,** an American 12 years and older is a victim of sexual assault.



1 out of every 6 American women has been the victim of an attempted or completed rape in her lifetime

54%

of sexual assault victims are aged between 18-34 years old.

Campus Sexual Violence:

26.4%

of undergraduate females

6.8%

of undergraduate males experience rape or sexual assault of victims of sexual assault are **women.** 

of victims of sexual assault are **male.** 

80% of rapes are committed by someone **KNOWN** to the victim.



Only 3

31%

of sexual assault cases are reported

Of those reported, only



perpetrators will go to prison.





#### IF YOU ARE EVER A VICTIM OF SEXUAL ASSAULT OR RAPE

#1

You can receive FREE medical care by a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE).

#2

**FREE Medication for:** 

Pregnancy Prevention
Prevention of STIs
Prevention of HIV\*
\*Within 72 hours of the assault

#3

You have 72 hours to get a **toxicology test** if you think you were "drugged."

#4

Swabs from your body can be collected for evidence up to **5 days** after the assault, looking for the DNA of the assailant. This evidence can be stored for up to 20 years if you are not ready to report to police.





## WHAT IS A RAPE KIT? (MEDICAL-FORENSIC EXAM)

#1

A **free and confidential medical exam** is performed by a trained Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE), ensuring any victim of sexual assault is **safe and healthy** post-assault.

The medical exam includes taking vital signs, assessing for trauma to the body, and a head-to-toe skin exam looking for injuries. Photographs may be taken of injuries with consent.

A **history of the assault** is obtained—the victim tells the provider what happened to them.

#2

#3

Swabs may be taken of different parts of the victim's body to potentially **collect evidence**. These swabs are looking for the DNA of the rapist. Swabs are taken based off assault history.

Evidence can be collected even if there is no police report. Rape Kits can be stored for up to 20 years.

Blood and/or urine can be collected for toxicology testing if there is a suspicion of "being drugged."

**Medications** are always offered to victims after an assault: Emergency contraception to prevent pregnancy, antibiotics to prevent STIs, and medication to prevent HIV if possibly exposed.





#### WHOCAN HAVE A RAPE KIT? (MEDICAL-FORENSIC EXAM)

#1

Anyone who has been sexually assaulted within the last five days. \*

It DOES NOT matter if clothes were changed or showers were taken. If within 120 hours of the assault, an exam can be done.

#2

If #1 is true



that person WANTS an exam.

No one can force a victim of sexual assault to receive care without their consent. Not a guardian, police, physician, etc. Without consent from the victim no exam will be done.

#3

Any and all genders.

#4

With or without law enforcement reporting.

Reporting to police is NOT a requirement if older than age 18.



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