



Georgia Adolescent & Adult SANE/SAFE Training Program

Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner/Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner

Program Overview

This is a professional education and training program for defined healthcare providers to provide specialty forensic-medical care for adolescent and adults victimized by crimes of sexual assault/abuse. The course is a 40-hour didactic classroom training presented by a multi-disciplinary faculty of instructors distinctly qualified on sexual assault victimization and the criminal justice system.

- The program is designed for **licensed Registered Nurses (RNs); Physicians (MDs; DOs) and/ or Physician Assistants(PAs)**.
 - License must be *active* and in *good-standing*.
- Applicants must have a *minimum* of 6-months clinical experience as licensed (*immediate to this application*).
- The course provides instruction on the role of *SANE/SAFE*; and clinical instruction on forensic-medical evidentiary examinations and evidence collection of adolescent and adult sexual assault/abuse victims.
- The course is a 40-hour, 5-day didactic classroom training program.

Curriculum Overview

- The Criminal Justice & Public Health Issue of Violence Against Women
- Sexual Assault Investigations & Dynamics of Offenders
- Understanding the Role of DNA in Sexual Assault Investigations
- SANE/SAFE-SART Protocol Development & Evaluation
- The Role of SANE/SAFE in the SART
- Understanding the Role of SANE/SAFE
- Sexual Assault Forensic-Medical Exam Clinical Instruction
- Identification and Collection of Evidence
- Clinical Findings & Exam Documentation
- Digital/Colposcopy Imaging/Documentation
- Case Studies
- The Impact of Trauma on the Brain & Understanding Sexual Assault Victimization
- Statistical Incidence & Prevalence of Sexual Assault/Abuse
- Georgia Laws on Sexual Assault/Abuse
- Prosecution of Sex Offenders
- Fact or Expert Witness: Court Qualifications and Testimony

Applicant Requirements

- Current Georgia (or other state) RN/PA/MD or DO License
- 6-months clinical experience (as licensed) and immediate to application for program.
- Application completed, and all required attachments (as specified in the Application Checklist) returned in accordance with the designated deadline.
- Successful completion of a criminal history background review.
- Program acceptance.

□ Completion of the 40-hour didactic program: participant will receive a *Letter of Attendance Certification*.

□ Completion of (*elective*) Clinical Preceptorship: participant will receive a *Certificate of Program Completion*.

□ NOTE: RN participants seeking eligibility for national *SANE-A Certification Exam*, MUST complete the didactic AND clinical preceptorship with demonstrated competency.