



COHESIVE HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT & CONSULTING
MANGUM REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

TITLE		POLICY
Sexual Assault Care and Treatment		NUR-021
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Emergency Department	02/2020	
DEPARTMENT	REFERENCE	
Emergency Department		

SCOPE

This policy applies to all persons who are victims of sexual assault.

PURPOSE

To delineate the procedure for assessing, examining and supporting the person who has been sexually assaulted.

DEFINITIONS

Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners- Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE) are registered nurses who have completed specialized education and clinical preparation in the medical forensic care of the patient who has experienced sexual assault or abuse (International Association of Forensic Nurses).

POLICY

Persons that are victims of sexual assault will be offered the option of an exam by a SANE nurse.

PROCEDURE

1. Persons with complaints of a sexual assault will be screened immediately in the Emergency Room by the RN, House Supervisor, and/or Charge Nurse will immediately notify the SANE nurse for consultation as appropriate.
2. If the person requires stabilization for any reason, the person will receive the appropriate medical care and treatment.
3. The SANE nurse assumes control of the person upon arrival.
4. If the person has not reported the incident to the police, they are encouraged to, but not forced to do so. Police should be notified if the person wishes to report the assault.

ATTACHMENTS

NUR-021A Oklahoma List of SANE Programs

REFERENCES

International Association of Forensic Nurses Retrieved from <https://www.forensicnurses.org/>

REVISIONS/UPDATES

Date	Brief Description of Revision/Change