The Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) is a registered nurse who has been specially trained to care for the complex issues surrounding victims of sexual assault. The purpose of this training is to teach interested Registered Nurses how to better care for their patients by recognizing, collecting and preserving evidence, interviewing victims, and linking them to vital community resources for follow-up.

**Course Description**

This 40-hour didactic course is geared towards the Registered Nurse. It is designed to provide a comprehensive education program in the complete assessment, evaluation, and treatment of the adult sexual assault survivor. Upon completion of the 40-hour didactic training, there is a post-training clinical requirement that must be completed according to the nurse’s scope of practice and guidelines of the training course. RNs MUST attend ALL five days of the training to receive contact hours. This course meets the educational guidelines of the International Association of Forensic Nurses.

**Agenda**

- Overall goals of SANE
- The Sexual Assault Response Team
- Victim perspective/advocacy role
- Profiling the rapist
- Role of law enforcement/investigative process/procedures
- DNA
- Interviewing/history taking
- Caring for special problems
- Evidence recognition/documentation/collection of evidence
- Psychological impact of sexual assault
- Evidence evaluation/utilization
- Normal Anatomy
- Genital trauma identification
- Sexual Assault Exam Techniques
- The Adolescent Patient
- Ethical issues/concerns
- Detection of injury/documentation
- Drug-facilitated sexual assault
- STDs/HIV/pregnancy prevention
- Assessing physical trauma
- Skills Practice
- Case Review
- Mock trial/testifying tips
**Presenter**
Shalotta Sharp is a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program Coordinator for acute adult and pediatric sexual assault exams. Responsible for coordinating care of patients reporting sexual assault, scheduling non-acute adult and pediatric exams, coordinating 24/7 forensic nurse call coverage, coordinating care with victim support agencies such as law enforcement, Department of Human Services, and the rape crisis center. Serve as in-house consultant for updating hospital-wide policies and procedures regarding sexual assault practice issues. Clinical practice includes nursing episode of care with forensic photography and sample collection for patients in the Emergency Department reporting sexual assault, with physician collaboration. Fact and expert witness in legal actions regarding sexual assault.

**Continuing Education**
This training meets the requirements for the following: The West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses, WVBRN Provider Registration #WV2000-0309RN for 40 contact hours.

**Location**
All sessions will be held at Marshall University Forensic Science Center in Huntington, West Virginia. Classes will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m.

**Registration Information**
Class size is limited and will fill on a first come/first registered basis. Last day to register for class is August 30, 2009. Complete registration form and mail to the address below.

**Tuition fee is waived.**

Mail completed registration form to:

Forensic Science Center
C/o Judy Fry
1401 Forensic Science Drive
Huntington, WV 25701

Or Fax to 304 690-4360

*Check the following websites for future training dates:*

http://forensics.marshall.edu or www.fris.org

**Registration Form**

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**Lodging Information**
All are located near I-64 and are centrally located to many restaurants and shopping opportunities. MUFSC is within a 15 minute drive from all motels.

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