



Florida Sex Crimes Investigators Association

Dear SANE Nurse,

Law Enforcement officers and SANEs must work together to present victims with a positive first impression of the community response system, therefore increasing the likelihood that they will cooperate with prosecution. Officers know that victims are in good hands with SANEs because victims will be treated with kindness and respect. Officers also recognize the increased efficiency that SANEs bring to the evidentiary exam process, and as a result, the time they spend waiting for evidence is often greatly reduced.

SANEs have greatly improved the quality of collected evidence so Detectives realize that SANEs can contribute greatly to investigations. Carefully collected forensic evidence and documentation can enhance the crime scene evidence and officer's investigation. SANEs obtain evidence in cases involving acquaintance rapes and child sexual abuse that might have gone undetected with less experienced examiners. SANE programs and the SANE nurse have taken the response to sexual assault victims to a higher level.

Joining the ***Florida Sex Crimes Investigators Association (FSCIA)*** makes good sense. Working together with investigators and sharing new and different information, answering questions officers may have about the exam procedure and collected of evidence can help strengthen cases and may increase the chance for prosecution.

Together we can organize and strengthen. Together we can learn new ideas and improve educational opportunities. Together we can work to improve response to victims of sexual violence.

Together just makes sense!!

Together - let's strengthen the SANEs in Florida. Join us @ www.FSCIA.org

Sincerely,

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