

Specialized Training: Investigating Sexual Abuse in Correctional Settings Notification of Curriculum Utilization December 2013

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Module 6: First Response and Evidence Collection: The Foundation for Successful Investigations

Time: 8:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. (2 hours)

Training Objectives:

- 1. Describe the dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement settings.
- 2. Identify best practice and policy requirements on first response procedures.
- 3. Identify best practice and policy requirements on evidence collection in confinement settings, per the requirements of 115.(3)34.

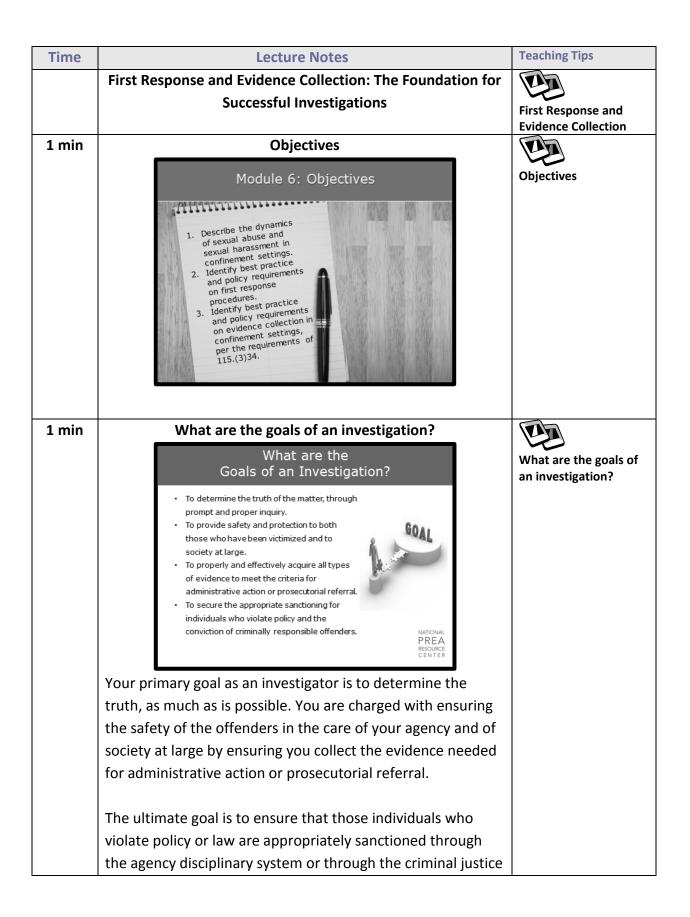
Materials Needed:

- 1. Easel pad and markers
- 2. PowerPoint[®] player/machine (lap top computer and LCD projector)
- 3. Screen or monitor
- 4. Handout: Department of Justice definitions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.
- 5. Handout: State statutory language defining sexual assault (prepared by trainer).

Training Tips:

- The purpose of this module is to provide participants with information on the dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement settings; best practice and PREA standard requirements for first response; and evidence collection techniques in confinement settings per PREA standard 115.(3)34 requirements.
- Modify this module to address the specific needs of the investigators in your agency. Insert agency policy as suggested throughout the module. If investigators only conduct administrative investigations, target sexual harassment investigations for greater discussion. However, do not remove the evidence collection techniques. These are important both in the event that a sexual abuse occurs, and to meet the requirements of PREA standard 115.(3)34.
- An experienced investigator is an asset as a presenter or co-presenter for this module. Ask them to prepare anecdotes and lessons learned from their own experiences in advance of the training to share throughout the training. Additionally, ask the participants to speak up when they have a relevant experience to share. While presenting this Module and Module 7, it is important to recognize and emphasize the experience of your participants and give them an opportunity to learn from one another.

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	system.	
2 min	Types of Allegations	
	Types of Allegations	Types of Allegations
	There are different types of allegations Administrative: Sexual Harassment Sexual touching that may not be criminal Criminal Sexual Assault 	Insert agency process regarding who handles different types of allegations (e.g., administrative allegations are investigated within the facility; criminal allegations are referred to law enforcement).
	In this agency	
1 min	Continuum of Inmate-on-Inmate/Resident-on-Resident Sexual Abuse	
	Sexual Abuse Continuum of Inmate-on-Inmate/Resident- on-Resident Sexual Abuse "retained of the second of the sec	Continuum of Inmate- on-Inmate/Resident- on-Resident Sexual Assault Owen, B., Wells, J., Pollock, J., Muscat, B., & Torres, S. (2008). Gendered Violence and Safety: A Contextual Approach to Improving Security in Women's Facilities. Final report. Washington, DC: National Institute of
	This continuum of sexual abuse was developed from research conducted by Dr. Barbara Owen and Dr. James Wells on sexual safety in women's facilities. However, it applies to both male and female inmates as well as adult and juvenile facilities. The continuum ranges from sexual comments and touching to forced sex or sexual assault. The least serious form of sexual victimization described in the interviews was verbal, such as	Justice.
	 Referring to an inmate's/resident's body Making sexual inpuendes 	
	 Making sexual innuendos 	

	 Sexual "horseplay" or touching someone's body in a non-violent but uninvited and unwanted manner 	
	 This is followed by sexual intimidation, which Occurs when someone is asked repeatedly to become involved romantically or sexually with another inmate. Has been hard to define. In discussion with residents/inmates, many stated that it is "hard to know" if individuals were coerced or entered into such relationships voluntarily. 	
	A particular type of sexual pressure or intimidation occurs in so-called "fatal attraction" cases or "fatals," named after the movie of the same name that involved a stalker who would not give up her quest for a love interest. In these cases, one person is enthralled with another and seeks a sexual liaison at any cost. In some instances, participants described certain individuals in the prison as "predators." These descriptions were not common but they were mentioned.	
	At the extreme end of the coercion continuum is forced	
1 min	sexual intercourse or sodomy. What is Reportable?	
	What is Reportable: What is Reportable But not everything is a PREA incident • Familiarize yourself with the U.S. Department of Justice definitions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment and your state criminal statute definitions of sexual assault • Be aware when you are investigating whether something is a possible case of sexual harassment or sexual abuse, or whether it is a possible policy violation and doesn't rise to criminal activity.	What is Reportable? What is Reportable? Read the definitions of sexual harassment and sexual abuse and your state statutory language of sexual assault.
	What are allegations you may see that do not fall into these categories? How should those allegations be treated? What about such behaviors as hand holding? This action does not	

2 min	Dynamics of Sexual Harassment	Dynamics of Sexual Harassment
	Additionally, sexual harassment can be graphic, vulgar, and violent, and can be traumatizing and damaging to the victim.	
	 On one end of the continuum are sexual harassment incidents. These cases Will probably be the most common type of allegation received. Perhaps are the most difficult type of allegation to investigate. Are extremely important because predators will typically try to develop a relationship with their target before an incident of sexual abuse. 	
1 min	fall into the definition of sexual abuse. However, it may indicate some coercive behavior. It should be treated as a policy violation, but investigators should pay attention for additional indications of coercion, such as sexual pressuring. Types of Investigations Sexual Harassment Types of Investigations Sexual Harassment • Difficult to determine either substantiated or unfounded • Can be a precursor to more abuse • Important to document the investigation • Report delivered to those who can protect immates/residents • History can demonstrate the agency's record of protecting offenders	Types of Investigations Consider inserting agency data demonstrating the frequency of sexual harassment allegations in the agency.

Dynamics of Sexual Harassment Sexual Harassment May precede sexual abuse and is used to . test a target demean others overtly or subtly intimidate challenge new inmates/residents or staff · threaten inmates/residents or staff who are perceived to be weaker May be used to move the alleged perpetrator · to retaliate against the alleged perpetrator PREA Sexual harassment is often a way for a sexual predator to determine whether a target is vulnerable and whether a target would report the incident. It is recommended that investigators Treat sexual harassment cases like any other case • involving bullying or threats where the individuals need to be kept separated. Separate the alleged victim from the suspect to ensure • there is no opportunity for the harassment to develop into something more serious. Additionally, separation will provide the agency with evidence of proactive measures taken to protect potentially vulnerable inmates/residents. Frequent sexual harassment aggressors Are often voyeurs and exhibitionists, which may include • masturbating in front of others during count or security checks. Often have poor impulse or anger control, demean others with profanity and threats, and harass and solicit sex when challenged or angry. Allegations of sexual harassment may also Be used by inmates/residents to separate themselves from others as a result of gambling or other debts. Be used by inmates/residents as retaliatory measures • against staff.

	Take this into account when investigating the allegations, but	
	do not let it overshadow the agency's need to protect	
	inmates and prevent future abuse. Every allegation –	
	including sexual harassment – needs to be thoroughly	
	investigated, with a written report.	
2 min	Types of Investigations	
	Types of Investigations	Types of Investigations Consider inserting
	Abuse	agency data
	May involve Physical force	demonstrating the frequency of sexual
	Coercion, pressure	abuse allegations in the
	 Includes voyeurism and exhibitionism, abusive 	agency.
	touching, and penetration	
	Remember: Not all sexual interactions are abusive	
	and not all physical interactions are sexual. PREA	
	These types of allegations	
	Often require attempts to determine the difference	
	between consensual and coercive sexual activity	
	between inmates/residents.	
	Require investigators to determine the relationship	
	between the alleged victim and suspect through	
	interviews and evidence collection.	
	As before, concrete the allocad visting from the success	
	As before, separate the alleged victim from the suspect	
	regardless of whether the allegation is substantiated.	
	Although inmates/residents may attempt to manipulate the	
	system, it is important that the agency prevent sexual abuse	
	and perform their due diligence in protecting	
	inmates/residents than it is for all those who attempt to	
	manipulate the system to fail.	
	The population of your facilities will dictate the types of	
	allegations you receive. Women's facilities, for example, may	
	have more allegations due to the higher number of	
	relationships existing in the population.	

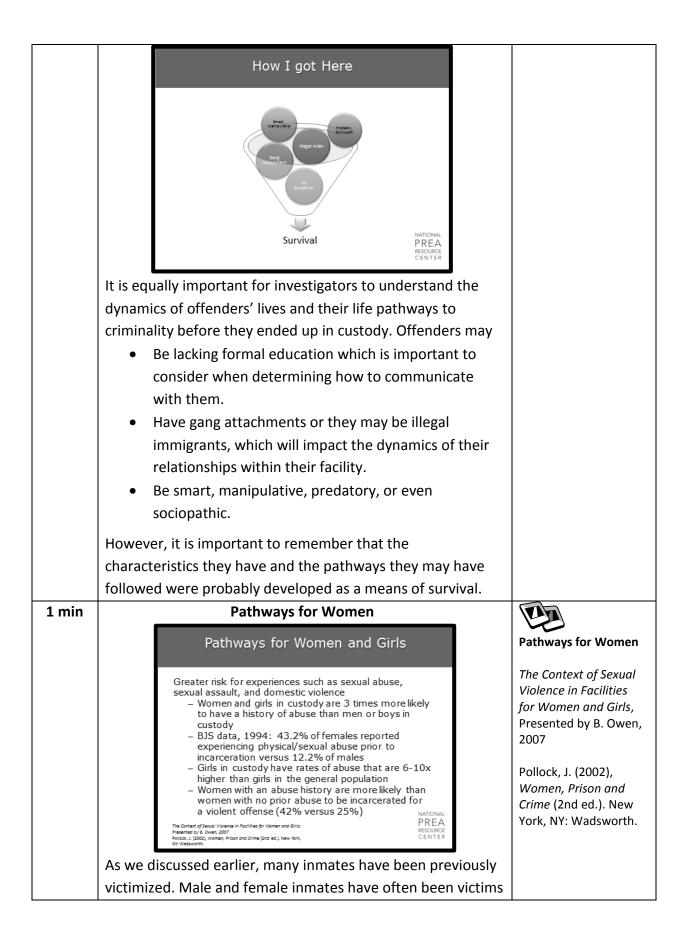
1 min	Sexual abuse in custody - Triggers new mental illnesses and exacerbates existing ones - Spreads infectious diseases - Increases health and mental health care expenditures Sexual abuse in custody impacts much more than the individual health and well-being of the victim, although that is an important concern. Sexual abuse also - Spreads infectious diseases within the confinement population - Spreads infectious diseases, after release, within the community at large - Increases the costs of public health and mental health care as the victims struggle with the impact of the trauma. Dynamics of Incarceration	
		Dynamics of Incarceration

	Dynamics of Incarceration Predators look for means, opportunity, and vulnerability, selecting targets • who are least able to defend themselves, • who may be less believed or believable, or • who are disliked or ostracized.	PREA Review Panel Testimony by Dr. Robert Dumond, November 2006 available at: <u>http://www.ojp.usdoj.g</u> <u>ov/reviewpanel/pdfs_n</u> <u>ov06/test_dumond.pdf</u>
	 Present the present the second seco	
7 min	staff or their level of social isolation. We're going start with a video clip with some material of a pretty graphic nature. So let's say your brother-in-law borrowed 10 cups of flour from his neighbor, and he's down on his luck and can't re- pay the flour. What if the neighbor told him, you have three choices: you re-pay the flour; I'm going to beat you up; or you have to have sex with me. Do you think the law enforcement agency in your community might look at that case a little differently than we look at cases in institutions? Is there really a difference? What's the difference? The difference is your neighbor is outside in the community, and the inmate is in a facility.	Show the video clip, play 3:15 to 4:24. http://www.youtube.c om/watch?v=Oy9j8VGx BJO Ask: Did you find anything that has been said in this video to be inaccurate? Maybe on a smaller or larger scale than what was shown? What are the dynamics that exist in our facilities?

1 min	Dynamics of Incarceration	
	Dynamics of Incarceration	Dynamics of Incarceration
	 In women's and girl's facilities, relationships and loyalty tend to be valued highly. Men's and boy's facility cultures value aggression and power. 	
	 Some see sexual aggression as a way to assert their power and control over others. 	
	 Being victimized and seeking help often are viewed as signs of weakness. NATIONAL PREA RESOURCE CENTER 	
	The dynamics of sexual abuse vary depending on the	
	population of the facility.	
	 Girls and women generally value relationships and many of the allegations revolve around those relationships. Men's and boy's facilities tend to have incidents with more aggression. 	
	Typically, male inmates tend to engage in sexual abuse due to	
	 A higher sex drive Forced abstinence The need to pursue power or control over weaker inmates/residents 	
	It generally does not occur because of a need for connection, love or romantic feelings.	
	Women	
	 May be more likely to report sexual abuse than men. May have unique challenges identifying their own abuse due to their histories of trauma and the importance of relationships and connections in their lives. 	
	 Have different pathways to criminality which will be discussed later. 	
	It is never easy for anyone to report sexual abuse due to	

	feelings of shame, embarrassment, self-doubt, fear, and the inevitable stigma.	
1 min	Dynamics of Incarceration	
1	Dynamics of Incarceration	Dynamics of Incarceration
	Aggressors typically employ one of several methods to control victims:	
	 Force (physical assaults or threats of harm) Entrapment or blackmail (for example, requiring debts to be repaid with sex, protection) Pressure tactics (persuasion, bribes, use of alcohol and drugs) 	
	Remember that coercion ≠ consent PREA RESOURCE CENTER	
	We frequently are aware of situations in which an offender consented to sex with the perpetrator the first time but	
	tried to refuse on a subsequent occasion. Some offenders may voluntarily enter into a sexual relationship in exchange	
	for protection, canteen, etc., but change their minds after a	
	while. Staff members often find it hard to feel compassion for such victims. Those are difficult cases to investigate and prosecute.	
	But investigators need to respond as vigorously and sensitively as they would in any other case. If we do not, the perpetrators will continue and find more victims. Even if	
	a criminal prosecution is not possible, a determination of	
	guilt in a disciplinary proceeding can help stop a predator from victimizing future inmates/residents or staff.	
7 min	Video	
		Play video clip from beginning to 4:48.
		http://www.youtube.c om/watch?v=DkH_41e QEE0&feature=related
		Ask if anyone has any comments.

2 min	Dynamics of Incarceration	
	Dynamics of Incarceration	Dynamics of Incarceration
	Anyone can be at risk, but offenders are more vulnerable if: • Young and inexperienced • First-time offenders/new to incarceration • Are not "tough" or "streetwise" • Have mental illnesses or developmental disabilities • Incarcerated for sexual violence against children or vulnerable adults	
	All offenders have the potential to be vulnerable to abuse,	
	but there are certain characteristics that make someone	
	particularly at-risk. As an investigator, it is important to know the dynamics of sexual abuse to be able to fully understand what may have actually happened.	
	Additionally, it's important to be aware of these vulnerabilities to ensure certain types of allegations are not ignored. Most agencies have offenders with mental health disorders who submit numerous reports. For example, the inmate/resident who will call twice a week claiming that the warden is sneaking into his cell at night through the air vent to perform oral sex on him.	
	Do you investigate these claims? Yes. Every single one.	
	Does it need to take long? No. On many of these allegations, you'll have videos that you can check, or you can place the inmate/resident under ongoing observation. However, each allegation needs to be investigated because these are vulnerable individuals who perpetrators will target for victimization specifically because they know that their allegations are less likely to be taken seriously.	
1 min	How I Got Here	How I Got Here



	of emotional, physical, and sexual abuse by trusted persons at a much higher rate than the national average.	
	This history of abuse has been shown to actually contribute to the women's and girl's likelihood of ending up in the criminal justice system.	
1 min	How I Got Here	
	Pathways for Women The Implications for these Backgrounds for Sexual Abuse in Female Facilities Include: • Sex defined as "love" or as a commodity • Boundary issues • Challenges in defining domestic violence • Fears about disclosure and reporting • PTSD and re-traumatization • Crisis and long-term treatment issue	How I got Here Source: The Context of Sexual Violence in Facilities for Women and Girls: Presented by B. Owen, 2007
	 These pathways are relevant to the dynamics of sexual abuse in confinement. Women in confinement may: Have a different understanding of sex and love than most of the general population due to abuse histories. Have such long histories of abuse that they may not recognize abuse in certain types of relationships. For example, sex in exchange for protection or for commissary items may not be seen abnormal or coercive. See sex purely as a commodity. 	
	This may impact their relationships with staff as well, particularly with regard to their boundaries and the relationships they attempt to develop. Individuals with histories of abuse are much more likely to suffer from long- term trauma issues that may influence their behavior day- to-day, as was discussed in Module 4.	Ask: Should this impact how you interview of them? How might a history of abuse impact the way they see you?
	Many of these women who have suffered physical and sexual abuse in the past may be asking "why do you care	



	females.	
1 min	Continuum of Staff Sexual Misconduct	
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	Similar to the continuum of sexual abuse in confinement,	Justice.
	there is also a continuum specific to staff sexual misconduct.	
	It begins with love, seduction, and sexual harassment. It	
	increases to sexual requests; voyeurism and exhibitionism;	
	abuse of search authority; sexual intimidation; sex without	
	physical violence; and, finally, sex with physical violence.	
1 min	Staff Offenders: Always an Unequal Relationship	
	Staff Offenders: Always an Unequal Relationship • Staff control the lives, freedom and safety of the offenders under their supervision • Staff can place offenders at risk with other offenders, can write disciplinary infractions, can compromise safety • Staff and offenders can NEVER be in an equal relationship • It is a 'strict liability' issue – Consent is never an excuse	Staff Offenders: Always an Unequal Relationship
	Staff and offenders can <i>never</i> be in an equal relationship.	
	It is a 'strict liability' issue. Consent is never an excuse.	
	The dynamics of staff sexual misconduct are important for investigators to understand. "Consent" between staff and offenders is impossible in the same way that consent between adults and minors is impossible. Both acts are clearly illegal in all 50 states.	

	Unless the inmate/resident has forcibly sexually abused the staff member, the act and the repercussions are always the	
	 staff member's responsibility. A staff member has control over the lives of inmates/residents. Control over offender physical safety Control over access to basic needs Influence over impact parole. 	Ask: Do you have prosecutors who don't entirely agree with this? What about line staff? What about cases of staff sexual misconduct involving
	Think about your own relationships. Once you are in a relationship with someone, there are certain risks to ending the relationship.	female officers and male offenders? Is there pity for that female officer?
	 You might lose access to a car if your partner used to drive you places. Your partner might complain about you to your friends, hack your email, or egg your house. You may have to deal with children and custody decisions. In a facility, if you're an inmate trying to figure out how to end things with a staff member, think about the risks you are taking and the potential repercussions you could face if the staff member is vindictive. The power imbalance is too great for the inmate/residents to be able to consent to any sexual act. Even if the inmate/resident states that they consented, lies about it during an interview, or refuses to cooperate with the investigation, the inmate/resident is still a victim and cannot in any way be held responsible.	If the answer is no, state that it has taken a long time to get there in the field. There is often the perception that the female staff and the male inmate are in love, and therefore it can't constitute sexual abuse, and we shouldn't prosecute. If the answer is yes, discuss how that impacts investigations.
10 min	Video	Play the second scenario on The Moss Group, Inc. and National Institute of Corrections Staff – Offender Overfamiliary Scenarios DVD: a female offender discusses her experiences with staff sexual misconduct.

5 min	Staff and Offenders: Always an Unequal Relationship	
	Staff and Offenders: Always an Unequal Relationship	Staff Offenders: Always an Unequal
	 How does the male staff affect the female in the video? 	Relationship Ask the class to
	 How does her past make her a vulnerable person? 	respond to the questions on the slide.
	 Does she have the self esteem to get out of the 	How a "willing"
	relationship?Does she deserve to be "loved by a good man"?	relationship between an inmate and a staff
	NATIONAL PREA	person be unequal and coercive?
	RESOURCE CENTER	
		Ask: How many of you have worked with or
		dealt with prostitutes on the street? How
		many of you understand the choices
		they make?
1 min	Reports of Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment	
	Reports of Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment: Where do they come from?	P
	 Not every offender involved in a sexual abuse or sexual harassment incident identifies themselves as a victim. 	
	In many cases, particularly those involving "staff member	
	on offender" sexual abuse, the youth/adult victim involved may resist the investigation and refuse to cooperate.	
	 Offenders may have strong emotional feelings towards the involved staff member. 	
	 Offenders may fear retribution from other offenders, from the staff member or his/her co-workers. 	
	- Emotional/relational responses are not unusual. PREA RESOURCE CENTER	
	Be aware that, in cases in which the inmate/resident does	
	not report, you may not always have a cooperative victim.	
	 Victims of sexual abuse or sexual harassment may not 	
	always consider themselves victims. This is	
	particularly true in cases of staff sexual misconduct in which the victim may have feelings for the staff	
	member.	
	• Victims may fear retaliation if they cooperate.	
30 sec	First Response	

	First Response Image: Constraint of the second of the dynamics that result in those allegations, let's talk about what happens once an allegation is made.	First Response
10 min	Video: First Responder	Play the final scenario on The Moss Group, Inc. and National Institute of Corrections Staff – Offender Overfamiliary Scenarios DVD: a female officer asks as a first responder to a male inmate's allegation. Discuss: How is this scenario different than first responses typically go at our facility/ agency? What did this woman do that was good? What would you have done differently?
1 min	What is the Role of a First Responder	What is the Role of a First Responder

		The Event is Reported Insert information on agency training plan
1 min	The Event is Reported	
	Toney within this agency dictates	 Insert appropriate agency policy here Responsibilities of the first responder Process by which allegation reaches investigator Types of allegations investigated
2 min	Agency Policy Policy within this agency dictates	
	What is the Role of a First Responder • Important first step in the investigation. • Not an investigator. • Stabilizes the situation: - for the victim - for the facility • Supports the investigation by • securing the scene, if appropriate. • relaying important observation information to the investigator. Presence centrer First responders play an important role in any investigation. They • Stabilize the situation • Secure the scene • Provide important information to investigators However, there are important distinctions between their role and the role of the investigator, and it is important that there be clarity for all parties on their roles.	

	 A first responder can be anyone. Whomever an offender chooses to tell is the first responder You have no control if the person reported to is not within the agency. 	
	 Who is a first responder? Anybody – the agency has no control over this. However, you do have control over actions taken through policy and training. If an inmate reports to line staff member and the staff member dismisses the allegation, what will that do to the case down the road? The victim will be substantially less likely to cooperate with investigators and give the full story. 	
1 min	Reports of Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment: Reports of Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment: Where do they come from? • From the offender (victim) directly. • From family of victims. • From other offenders. • From correctional staff. • From mental health staff. • From other support staff. • From advocates.	Reports of Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment
	Where do reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment come from? Reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment can come from anywhere. This lists some of the more typical ways incidents are reported.	

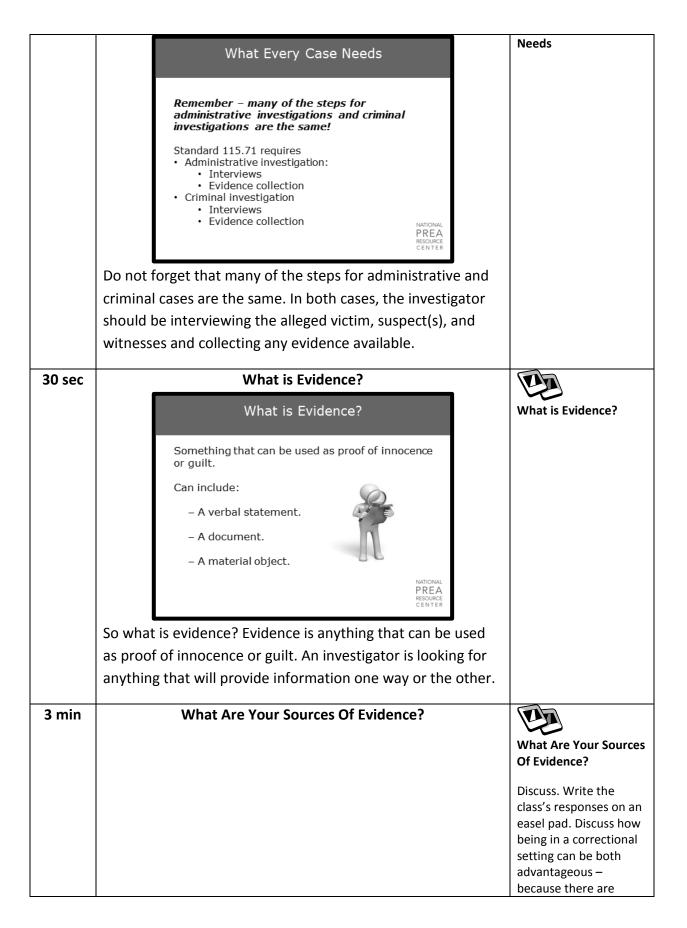
2 min	First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim	
	 First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim Non-criminal allegations Report, report, report!! Ensure reporter understands the allegation is and will be taken seriously Non-criminal incidents of sexual harassment and sexual abuse are often precursors to criminal incidents of sexual assault 	First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim
	 These will probably be the most common type of allegation received. The role of the first responder in these instances is To ensure the report makes its way to the appropriate parties for investigation. To ensure that the person reporting understands that their allegation will be taken seriously, and does not feel dismissed or ridiculed by the staff person to whom they reported. 	Insert agency policy regarding relevant first responder responsibilities for responses to both incidents of sexual abuse and incidents of sexual harassment.
	As we discussed previously, non-criminal incidents of sexual harassment and sexual abuse can often be precursors to more serious incidents of sexual abuse, and therefore need to be taken seriously and addressed.	
1 min	First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim Criminal Allegations PREA Standard 115.64 requires a first responder to: (1) Separate the alleged victim and abuser; (2) Preserve and protect any crime scene; (3) Request that the alleged victim and ensure that the alleged abuser not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate,	First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim
	 washing, · defecating, brushing teeth, · smoking, changing clothes, · drinking, or urinating, · eating PREA The PREA standards require a first responder to take these 	Insert agency policy regarding relevant first responder responsibilities. Insert guidance provided by agency

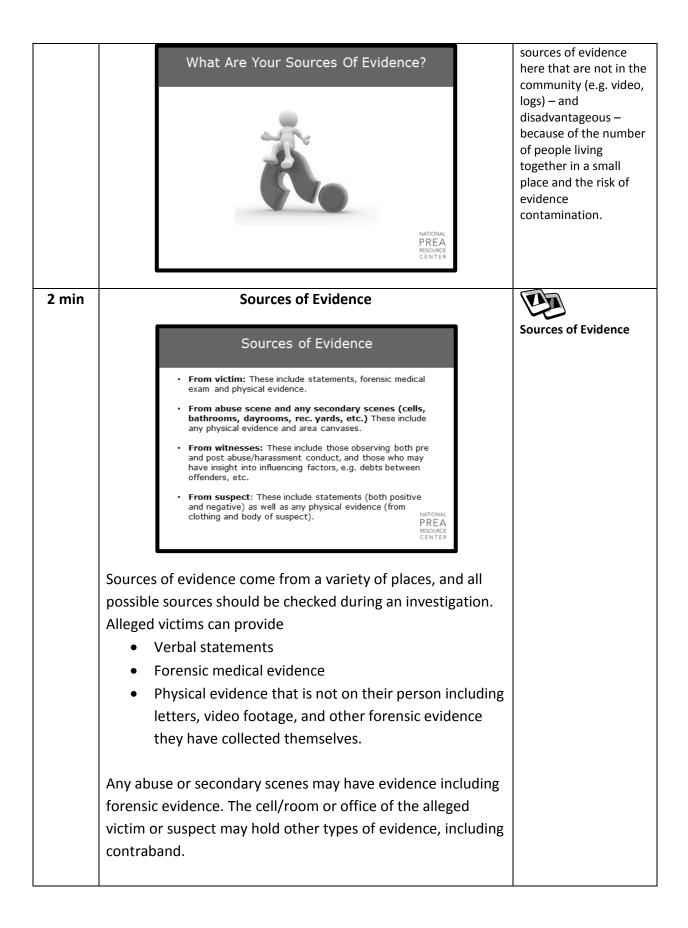
	 steps: Separate the victim from the abuser Preserve the crime scene Ensure that any physical evidence is not destroyed. Additionally, they must offer the victim the opportunity to have a sexual assault forensic medical exam if the allegation is within the time period specified by the forensic protocol. Note that this exam cannot be forced; the alleged victim must consent.	protocol regarding the period of time after an alleged incident that a victim will be offered a forensic medical exam.
2 min	First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim Criminal Allegations • Ensure • Crowision of medical assistance • Explain • Required housing changes • Basic investigative process • Importance of FME and evidence collection • Detailed, truthful interviews • If desired by victim or required by policy, contact support services or family members/friends.	First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim
	 Ensure that the alleged victim receives appropriate medical treatment Explain any necessary housing changes to ensure the alleged victim does not feel that they have been punished for reporting Explain the request to not destroy any physical evidence Provide any other necessary information regarding the investigations process to ensure the alleged victim feels comfortable. Note that an investigator or case manager will discuss these issues later in more depth, but the first responder should be prepared to provide any immediate information needed to the victim. 	Insert agency policy regarding relevant first responder responsibilities.

	Do not contact family members of adult victims of sexual abuse unless the victim requests it or there is a specific need- to-know.	Only include this statement for agencies with adult populations.
	PREA standard 115.361 requires juvenile facilities to promptly report an allegation of sexual abuse to the alleged victim's parents or legal guardians unless the facility has official documentation showing the parents or legal guardians should not be notified.	Only include this statement for agencies with juvenile populations.
1 min	First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim The first responder will attempt to gather essential information - Description of suspect offender, clothing, or conduct. - Description of abuse or harassment for the investigator. - Description of location and scope of scene, if applicable.	First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim
	The first responder should also attempt to gather basic, essential information for communication to the investigator, security staff, and any other appropriate personnel.	Insert appropriate processes for securing crime scene.
1 min	First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim The first responder or investigator should NOT: Conduct an in-depth interview with the alleged victim Attempt to determine the validity of the allegation Attempt to determine if the victim had any previous history or previous contact with the suspect Attempt to determine background information on victim, including disclosure of consented sexual activity around time of abuse The first responder should not	First Responder's Role: Interacting with the Victim
	Conduct in-depth interviews or attempt to determine	

	upset and seemed terrified.	
	 investigator that Includes their observations at the time of the response. Does not include the conclusions that the first responder came to based on his/her observations. For example, the first responder report could state external observations that the alleged victim was crying and shaking. The report should not state "assumptions" or "feelings/emotions" that are internal, such as the alleged victim was extremely 	have trainees write down what they just saw in appropriate observational language.
	In their Notes for the Report? Detailed Description of Victim and Suspect • Locations • Affect (Real not surmised or assumed) • Wounds and where they are MATIONAL PREA RESOURCE CENTER The first responder should prepare a report for the	Their Notes for the Report? POSSIBLE ACTIVITY: Have someone (perhaps yourself) walk in the room acting in a certain way (could be laughing, then crying, then silent). Then have him/her leave. In small groups or with the person next to them,
1 min	What Should a First Responder Record in Their Notes for the Report? What Should a First Responder Record	What Should a First Responder Record in
	 previous slide. Attempt to determine the validity of the allegation. Play any role in deciding whether an allegation should be reported to investigators. All allegations are referred to investigators, even if the first responder or his/her supervisor is convinced that the allegation is false. It is up to the investigator, and no one else, to investigate and make that determination. 	

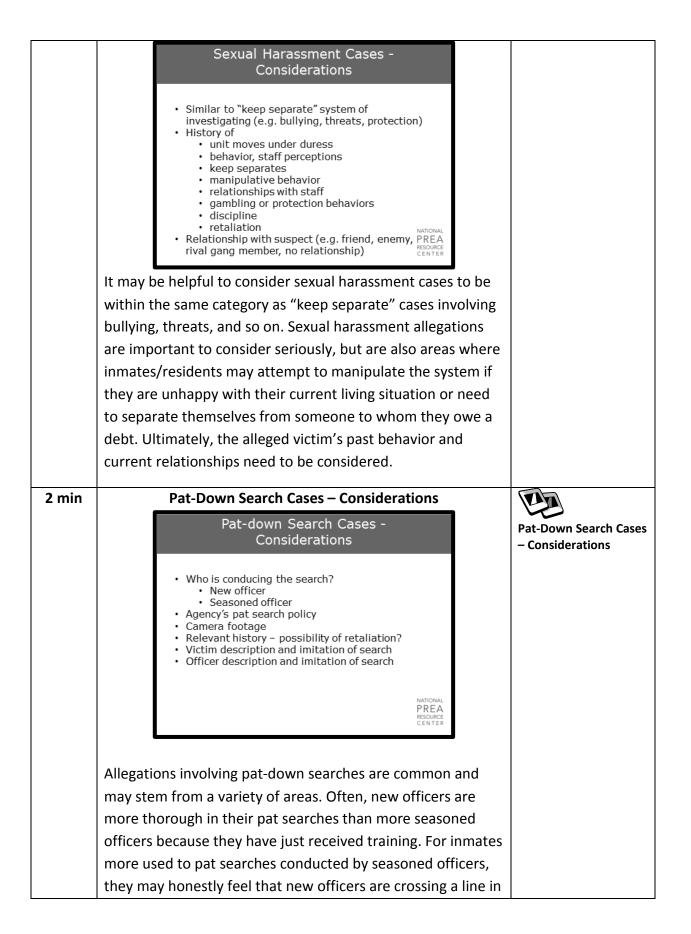
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	 The case needs Enough evidence for administrative action or prosecutorial referral. An identified suspect and, ideally, a cooperative victim. Most prosecuting attorneys will not prosecute a case without a cooperative victim. Some independent sources of corroboration of the victim's statements. These can be statements from others or forensic evidence. This is necessary to ensure the case is not a "he-said he-said" "she-said she-said" or "he-said she-said" case. 	
1 min	What Every Case Needs	What Every Case





1 min	Credibility Assessment	Credibility Assessment
	Additionally, always check phone records, recordings, mail, videos, log books, etc. In the event of an alleged staff sexual misconduct case, be aware of what you are able to search and when you'll need a court order or search warrant.	
	 Sources of Evidence Offender phones Offender mail Security video Log books Staff personal phones Court orders, search warrants 	Sources of Evidence
30 sec	factors may be important witnesses. Suspects may also communicate valuable information in interviews and may provide valuable physical evidence off their clothing or bodies either corroborating or contradicting the statements of the alleged victims. Sources of Evidence	
	Witnesses should always be interviewed. These do not need to be witnesses of the actual abuse but could be individuals who observed changes in the alleged victim's/suspect's demeanor, previous interactions, etc. Both staff and inmates/residents who may have insight into any influencing	

	Credibility Assessment 115.71: Credibility Assessment • Camera footage • History of allegations • History of vulnerability • History of other relevant requests (attempts to move, etc.) • Relationship with suspect • Perceptions of staff • Recent discipline, moves, etc.	
	PREA standard 115.71 requires	
	 The credibility of an alleged victim, suspect, or witness to be assessed on an individual basis – and not based on the person's status as inmate or staff. Investigators to include the basis of their credibility assessment in their reports. 	
	As an investigator, ensure you are deliberate in documenting the methodology through which you determine the credibility of your alleged victims and suspects. In addition to evidence such as camera footage, the investigator will also want to look at the following to ensure the investigator fully understands the context in which the allegation exists. The inmate's/resident's • History of allegations	
	 History of other relevant requests 	
	 Recent disciplinary reports, etc. 	
	Relationship with the suspect	
1 min	Sexual Harassment Cases – Considerations	Sexual Harassment Cases – Considerations



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	However, some searches may actually be inappropriate.	
	Training and supervisory observation are critical.	
	For these cases	
	 Investigators will need to be familiar with the agency 	
	pat-search policy.	
	 It may be helpful for pat-searches to be conducted in 	
	front of cameras by policy, if possible.	
	 Investigators should have the alleged victim 	
	demonstrate the search on himself/herself. Then	
	have the suspect demonstrate the search on another	
	staff member. This technique may provide valuable	
	information.	
	 As with other allegations, the alleged victim's 	
	relevant history and other influencing factors must be	
	considered.	
1 min	Acquaintance Cases - Considerations	
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	alleged victim. Any information the investigator can collect on the	
	relationship between the two parties and of specific past	
	interactions between them is valuable. The investigator	
	should particularly look for any actual documentation of	
	communication such as letters or notes.	
1 min	In the event of a sexual assault	
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	NATIONAL PREA resource center	
	Evidence collection in cases of sexual assault involves unique	
	processes, and it is important for investigators to be familiar	
	with these processes. These cases may be rare, but when	
	they do occur, you only get one chance to preserve and	
	collect the evidence correctly.	
1 min	Facility Crime Scene	
	Facility Crime Scene	Facility Crime Scene
	 Video and photograph the crime scene area. Identify staff who will touch and/or bandle swidence 	
	handle evidence.	
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	Start taking notes immediately, but do not forget that notes are discoverable in criminal proceedings. Only put facts and observations in notes. If feasible, video and photograph the entire crime scene.	
1 min	Crime Scenes Crime Scenes	Crime Scenes
	CRIME SCENE VICTIM VICTIM SUSPECT	
	 Photograph or video the surrounding areas such as hallways, corridors, and adjoining rooms. Take full-length photographs of the victim and suspect, but do not have them remove any clothing to do so. If there are visible injuries on the victim and the victim agrees, take photographs of the injuries. Only medical staff should take photographs of areas of that would require the victim to remove clothing or might be embarrassing. 	
	 Use a measuring stick or sticker to show the size of injuries or bruises. Re-take the photos two or three days after the event to show the progression of the injuries. 	
1 min	Sources of DNA	Sources of DNA

	Sources of DNA	
	 Blood Saliva (skin cells) Sweat (skin cells) "touch DNA" Hair Root Mucous Vaginal Fluid Semen Vornit Feces 	
	There are a variety of sources of DNA	
	Blood, saliva, sweat	
	Hair roots	
	 Mucous, vaginal fluid, skin 	
	• Semen, vomit, feces.	
	These can be retrieved from either the alleged victim or the suspect or from their clothing and the surrounding area.	
1 min	Physical Evidence to Collect	
	Physical Evidence to Collect From the Scene	Physical Evidence to
	 Victim's Underwear Victim's Clothes Rug/floor covering Chair covering Towel Blanket and sheets Condom Tissue Other 	Collect
	It is important to collect all materials from the scene that	
	might contain that DNA	
	Clothing, rugs	
	Towels, sheets	
	• Tissues, etc.	
	Evidence collection should only be done by someone trained and familiar with proper collection techniques.	

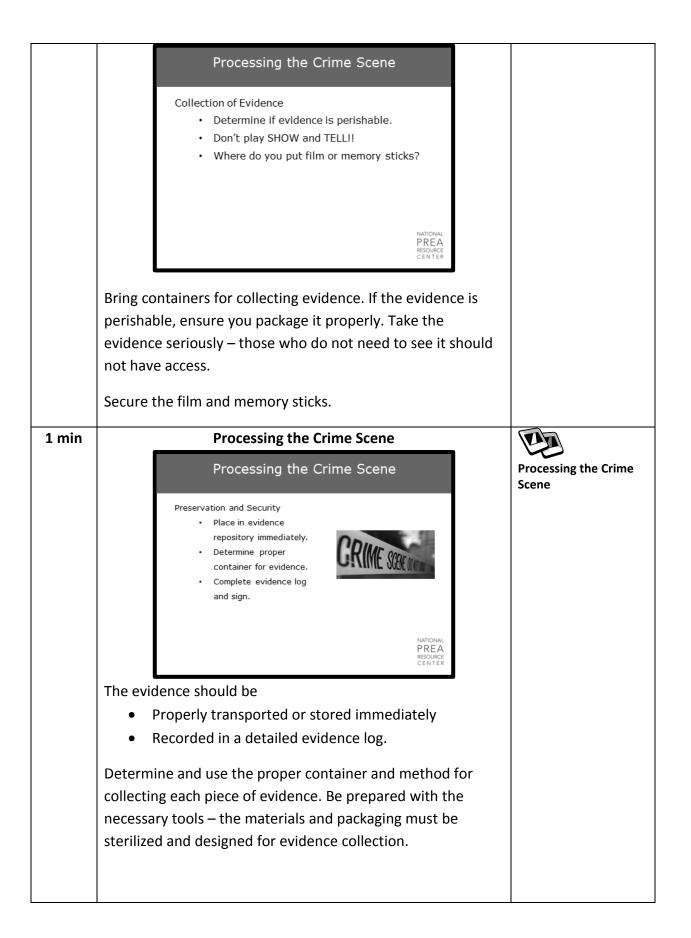
	Usually, the state medical examiner or the prosecutor will have a detailed handbook concerning collection and proper handling of evidence. Other sources for forensic evidence collection can be found at the National Forensic Technology Center.	
1 min	Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Sexual Assault Evidence Kit • What happens during the process? • How long does it take? • How private should it be? • What needs to be done before the inmate/youth is taken to the hospital?	Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Trainer note – if including Module 5, delete or summarize these slides.
	 The medical evidence collection and exam process takes a number of hours and should be conducted in a private place. The exam should be conducted by a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE). Ideally, the SANE conducts the exam alone with the alleged victim. If security procedures do not allow this, ensure that the staff member present is of the same sex, and ensure that he/she understands the process and the need for privacy. The only responsibility that facility medical staff has before the forensic medical exam is treating any 	
1 min	immediate medical needs. The facility should not take photographs of the victim as this will be done by the SANE. Physical Evidence SANE Will Collect	
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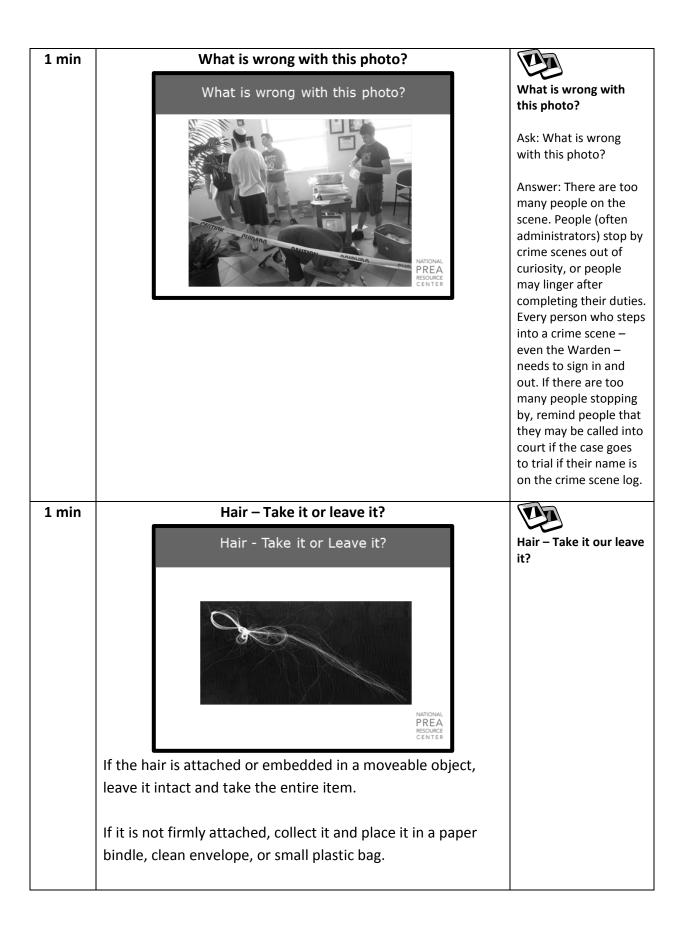
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	 Evidence Collected by SANE Oral swabs (if oral sex) Vaginal swabs Inner Thighs/Genitalia Swabs Rectal Swabs Blood Sample Pubic Hair Combings Pulled Head Hair (known samples) Pulled Pubic Hair (known samples) Pulled Pubic Hair (known samples) 	5.
	The SANE will	
	 Run through a full medical history with the victim and obtain a thorough understanding of all aspects of the assault. Take pictures of all injuries and areas of the victim touched by the assailant. Collect numerous samples from all areas that may contain DNA evidence, including the mouth, genitals, rectum, inner thighs, pubic hair, etc. 	
1 min	Physical Evidence to Collect	
	 Physical Evidence to Collect From the Suspect Underwear/Clothing Penile Swab Buccal Swab (as evidence of oral sex or as known sample) Pulled Head Hair Pulled Pubic Hair 	Physical Evidence to Collect
	If there is an obvious suspect, he/she must go through a similar process to provide DNA for comparison against the samples collected from the victim. Any other evidence that may be on the suspect's clothing or body is collected for	

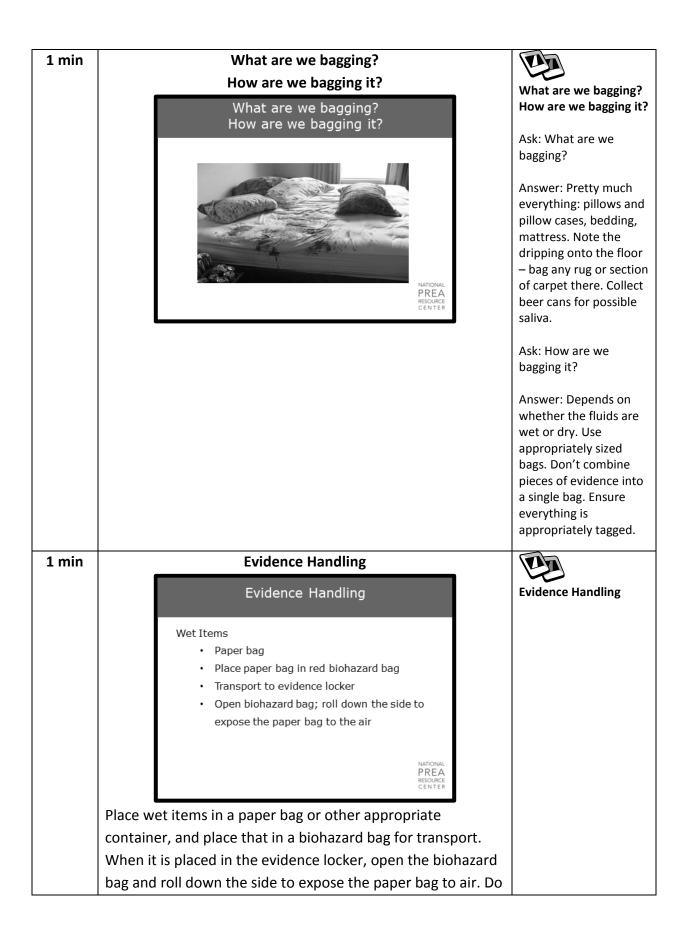
	consideration in the investigation.	
1 min	Assessment of Forensic Exam	
	Assessment of Forensic Exam	Assessment of Forensic Exam
	 Cannot conclude Validity of claim "Diagnosis" rape/sexual assault Degree of force Can conclude Recent sexual contact Recent trauma Consistency between findings and victim's account 	
	of events The absence of injuries does not mean that sex was consensual or a sexual assault did not occur. PREA RESOURCE CENTER	
	It is important for investigators to understand what the evidence collected from forensic medical exams can tell them. Forensic medical exam results will not provide	
	investigators with clear "yes" or "no" answers in response to whether a sexual assault occurred. The exam	
	• Can tell you whether the victim experienced recent sexual contact or recent trauma.	
	 May or may not be able to provide DNA evidence showing whom the recent sexual contact was with. Cannot, by itself, prove the validity of a claim, and cannot always provide information regarding the degree of force used. The findings can be compared to the victim's account of events to determine consistency. 	
	Most importantly, however, investigators must understand that these exams are limited in their findings, and an absence of injuries or findings from the exam does not mean that the	
	sex was consensual or that sexual abuse did not occur.	
3 min	Physical Evidence to Collect from the Scene	Physical Evidence to Collect from the Scene
		Ask: What would you collect here? What else

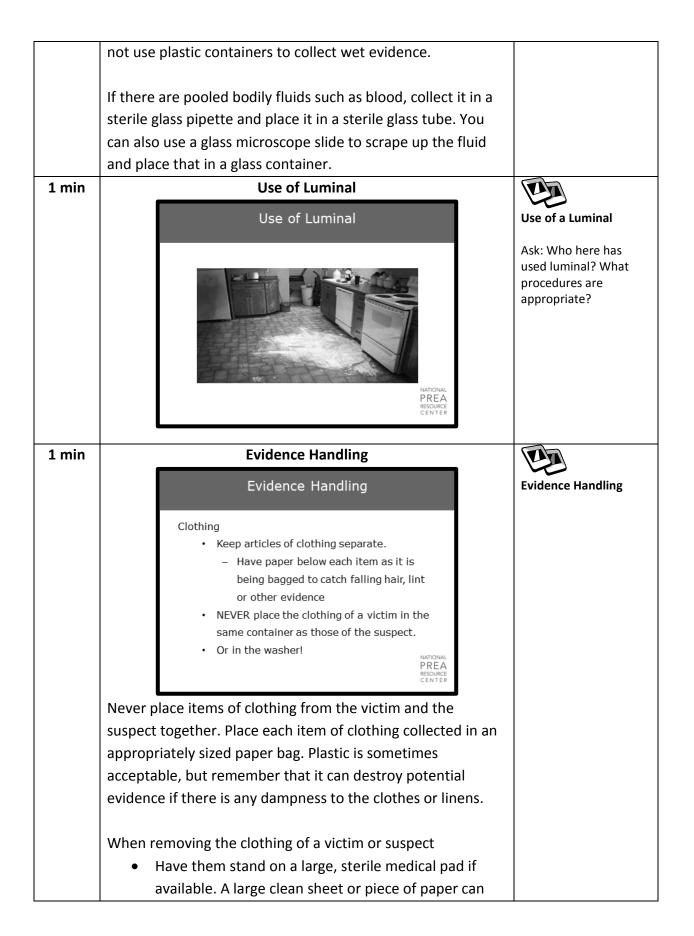
	<section-header></section-header>	could you do here? Answer: Towel, Rug, trashcan contents. Note blood on floor. Check shower for evidence.
1 min	Processing the Crime Scene Processing the Crime Scene Video Video • You can start the video as far back as the main door to the jail or prison. • Be very careful of what is said around the video. • If video stops for some reason note it in your report. • Video "out" and move your way "in." If you videotape the crime scene, which can be extremely useful, ensure you are careful while doing so. • You can begin videotaping when you enter the	Processing the Crime Scene
	 You can begin videotaping when you enter the facility, or you can wait until you enter the actual crime scene. Do not say anything on tape that you would not want played in a court room. If you stop the video, note it in the report. The video is evidence. No one without a "need to know" should have access to it.	
1 min	Processing the Crime Scene	Processing the Crime Scene

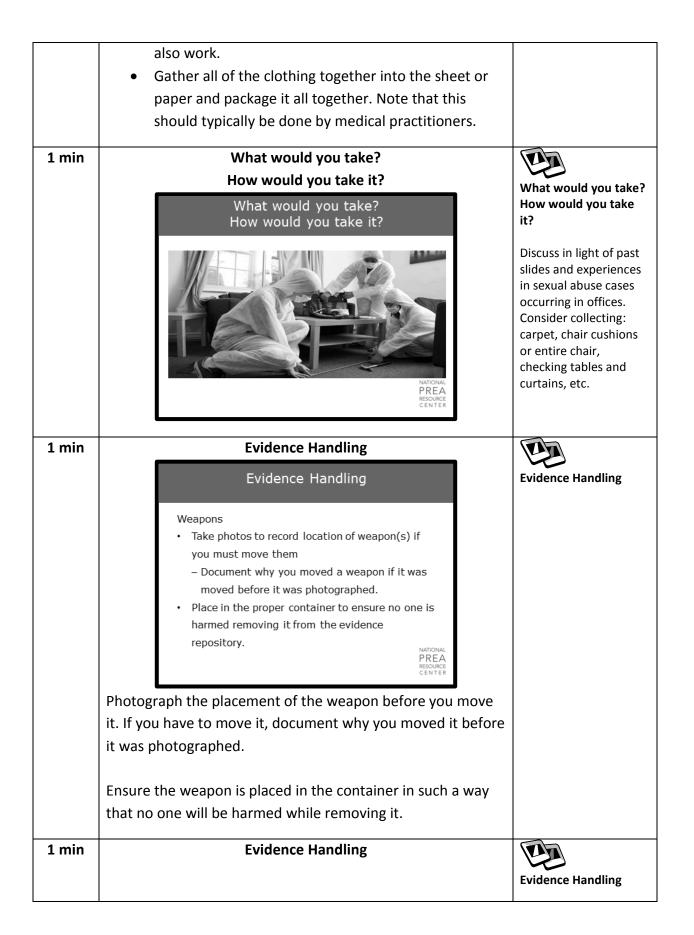
	Processing the Crime Scene	
	Photography – Still	
	Photograph entire scene, start out and move in.	
	Keep a photo log to put with your report.Do not delete photos that you think are substandard.	
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	Photograph the entire crime scene. This should include	
	 A wide-shot photo or video of the crime scene as a 	
	whole	
	Closer shots of sections and areas of relevance.	
	Ensure that only identified staff touch or handle any	
	evidence.	
	Keep a list of each photo in order noting what each photo	
	depicts, and secure the camera until the images are	
	uploaded or printed to maintain the chain of custody.	
	Document and mark each photo with the	
	Date, place, time	
	 Who or what is in the photograph 	
	Who took the photograph?	
	Never delete images if using a digital camera. Re-take photos	
	if necessary, and save both images.	
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		Processing the Crime
		Scene

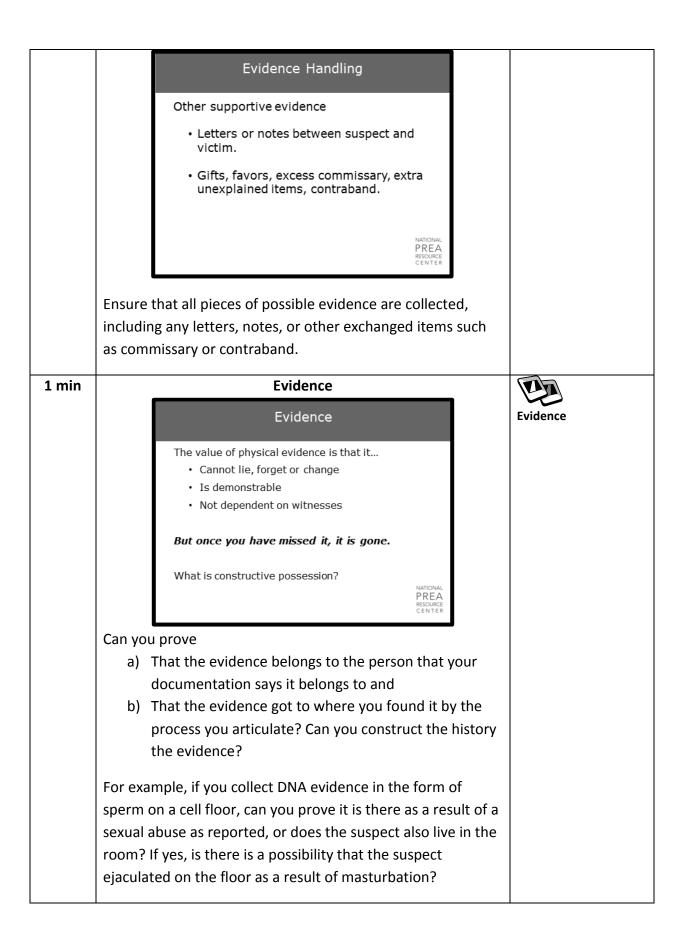












1 min	Evidence	
	Evidence	Evidence
	 The value of physical evidence can be destroyed if: Handled wrong Moved too early Marked incorrectly or inaccurately Not preserved properly Chain of custody is not precise 	
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	It is absolutely <i>critical</i> to maintain a detailed log of the chain of custody for each piece of evidence collected. An inability to demonstrate chain of custody renders that item of	
	evidence useless for criminal proceedings.	
	Chain of custody should be demonstrated in writing with the following information for each piece of evidence	
	 When, where, and by whom it was collected and packaged. 	
	 Each time the evidence changed hands. The log must show 	
	 Who handed over the item To whom the item was given 	
	 The date 	
	 The time and place of the turnover The signature of both parties 	
	 All evidence repositories must provide secured, documented supervision at all times. 	
1 min	Crime Scene Mishaps	Crime Scene Mishaps

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	 What do we do if the crime scene and/or evidence is mishandled? You cannot put an item "back." You must explain what happened in your reports. All staff involved must write reports. Mistakes can be salvaged if dealt with honestly and not "covered up." 	
	Don't try to cover-up or avoid mentioning mistakes made when collecting evidence in your report. Any mishandling of evidence must be clearly explained in the reports of all individuals present.	of
1 min	Questions?	

§ 115.5 General definitions.

For purposes of this part, the term—

Agency means the unit of a state, local, corporate, or nonprofit authority, or of the Department of Justice, with direct responsibility for the operation of any facility that confines inmates, detainees, or residents, including the implementation of policy as set by the governing, corporate, or nonprofit authority.

Agency head means the principal official of an agency.

Community confinement facility means a community treatment center, halfway house, restitution center, mental health facility, alcohol or drug rehabilitation center, or other community correctional facility (including residential re-entry centers), other than a juvenile facility, in which individuals reside as part of a term of imprisonment or as a condition of pre-trial release or post-release supervision, while participating in gainful employment, employment search efforts, community service, vocational training, treatment, educational programs, or similar facility-approved programs during nonresidential hours.

Contractor means a person who provides services on a recurring basis pursuant to a contractual agreement with the agency.

Detainee means any person detained in a lockup, regardless of adjudication status.

Direct staff supervision means that security staff is in the same room with, and within reasonable hearing distance of, the resident or inmate.

Employee means a person who works directly for the agency or facility.

Exigent circumstances mean any set of temporary and unforeseen circumstances that require immediate action in order to combat a threat to the security or institutional order of a facility.

Facility means a place, institution, building (or part thereof), set of buildings, structure, or area (whether or not enclosing a building or set of buildings) that is used by an agency for the confinement of individuals.

Facility head means the principal official of a facility.

Full compliance means compliance with all material requirements of each standard except for *de minimis* violations, or discrete and temporary violations during otherwise sustained periods of compliance.

Gender nonconforming means a person whose appearance or manner does not conform to traditional societal gender expectations.

Inmate means any person incarcerated or detained in a prison or jail.

Intersex means a person whose sexual or reproductive anatomy or chromosomal pattern does not seem to fit typical definitions of male or female. Intersex medical conditions are sometimes referred to as disorders of sex development.

Jail means a confinement facility of a federal, state, or local law enforcement agency whose primary use is to hold persons pending adjudication of criminal charges, persons committed to confinement after adjudication of criminal charges for sentences of one year or less, or persons adjudicated guilty who are awaiting transfer to a correctional facility.

Juvenile means any person under the age of 18, unless under adult court supervision and confined or detained in a prison or jail.

Juvenile facility means a facility primarily used for the confinement of juveniles pursuant to the juvenile justice system or criminal justice system.

Law enforcement staff means employees responsible for the supervision and control of detainees in lockups.

Lockup means a facility that contains holding cells, cell blocks, or other secure enclosures that are:(1) Under the control of a law enforcement, court, or custodial officer; and(2) Primarily used for the temporary confinement of individuals who have recently been arrested, detained, or are being transferred to or from a court, jail, prison, or other agency.

Medical practitioner means a health professional who, by virtue of education, credentials, and experience, is permitted by law to evaluate and care for patients within the scope of his or her professional practice. A "qualified medical practitioner" refers to such a professional who has also successfully completed specialized training for treating sexual abuse victims.

Mental health practitioner means a mental health professional who, by virtue of education, credentials, and experience, is permitted by law to evaluate and care for patients within the scope of his or her professional practice. A "qualified mental health practitioner" refers to such a professional who has also successfully completed specialized training for treating sexual abuse victims.

Pat-down search means a running of the hands over the clothed body of an inmate, detainee, or resident by an employee to determine whether the individual possesses contraband.

Prison means an institution under federal or state jurisdiction whose primary use is for the confinement of individuals convicted of a serious crime, usually in excess of one year in length, or a felony.

Resident means any person confined or detained in a juvenile facility or in a community confinement facility.

Secure juvenile facility means a juvenile facility in which the movements and activities of individual residents may be restricted or subject to control through the use of physical barriers or intensive

staff supervision. A facility that allows residents to access to the community to achieve treatment or correctional objectives, such as through educational or employment programs, typically will not be considered a secure juvenile facility.

Security staff means employees primarily responsible for the supervision and control of inmates, detainees, or residents in housing units, recreational areas, dining areas, and other program areas of the facility.

Staff means employees.

Strip search means a search that requires a person to remove or arrange some or all clothing so as to permit a visual inspection of the person's breasts, buttocks, or genitalia.

Transgender means a person whose gender identity (i.e., internal sense of feeling male or female) is different from the person's assigned sex at birth.

Substantiated allegation means an allegation that was investigated and determined to have occurred.

Unfounded allegation means an allegation that was investigated and determined not to have occurred.

Unsubstantiated allegation means an allegation that was investigated and the investigation produced insufficient evidence to make a final determination as to whether or not the event occurred.

Volunteer means an individual who donates time and effort on a recurring basis to enhance the activities and programs of the agency.

Youthful inmate means any person under the age of 18 who is under adult court supervision and incarcerated or detained in a prison or jail.

Youthful detainee means any person under the age of 18 who is under adult court supervision and detained in a lockup.

§ 115.6 Definitions related to sexual abuse.

For purposes of this part, the term-

Sexual abuse includes—

(1) Sexual abuse of an inmate, detainee, or resident by another inmate, detainee, or resident; and(2) Sexual abuse of an inmate, detainee, or resident by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer.

Sexual abuse of an inmate, detainee, or resident by another inmate, detainee, or resident includes any of the following acts, if the victim does not consent, is coerced into such act by overt or implied threats of violence, or is unable to consent or refuse: (1) Contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, including penetration, however slight;

(2) Contact between the mouth and the penis, vulva, or anus;

(3) Penetration of the anal or genital opening of another person, however slight, by a hand, finger, object, or other instrument; and

(4) Any other intentional touching, either directly or through the clothing, of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or the buttocks of another person, excluding contact incidental to a physical altercation.

Sexual abuse of an inmate, detainee, or resident by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer includes any of the following acts, with or without consent of the inmate, detainee, or resident: (1) Contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, including penetration, however slight;

(2) Contact between the mouth and the penis, vulva, or anus;

(3) Contact between the mouth and any body part where the staff member, contractor, or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire;

(4) Penetration of the anal or genital opening, however slight, by a hand, finger, object, or other instrument, that is unrelated to official duties or where the staff member, contractor, or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire;

(5) Any other intentional contact, either directly or through the clothing, of or with the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or the buttocks, that is unrelated to official duties or where the staff member, contractor, or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire;

(6) Any attempt, threat, or request by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer to engage in the activities described in paragraphs (1)-(5) of this section;

(7) Any display by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer of his or her uncovered genitalia,

buttocks, or breast in the presence of an inmate, detainee, or resident, and

(8) Voyeurism by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer.

Voyeurism by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer means an invasion of privacy of an inmate, detainee, or resident by staff for reasons unrelated to official duties, such as peering at an inmate who is using a toilet in his or her cell to perform bodily functions; requiring an inmate to expose his or her buttocks, genitals, or breasts; or taking images of all or part of an inmate's naked body or of an inmate performing bodily functions.

Sexual harassment includes-

(1) Repeated and unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or verbal comments, gestures, or actions of a derogatory or offensive sexual nature by one inmate, detainee, or resident directed toward another; and

(2) Repeated verbal comments or gestures of a sexual nature to an inmate, detainee, or resident by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer, including demeaning references to gender, sexually suggestive or derogatory comments about body or clothing, or obscene language or gestures.