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Sexual Offences Medicine - LFFLM (SOM) and Part 2 MFFLM (SOM) Suggested Reading List

It is recommended that candidates read widely for the above examinations. Examples of the core texts are given below and relevant FFLM guidance is available from <http://www.fflm.ac.uk>.

Candidates will also be expected to be familiar with relevant statutes (<http://www.statutelaw.gov.uk/Home.aspx>) and secondary legislation relevant to the practice of sexual offence medicine, for example statutes relating to criminal investigation, procedure and evidence. As these are continually changing, it is not possible to provide a definitive reading list, although some examples may appear in the list that follows.

Core Texts

Clinical

Best Practice & Research Clinical Obstetrics & Gynaecology

(YBEOG) Dalton M Ed. volume 27, issue 1, Clinical Aspects of Sexual Violence. Feb 2013. Elsevier.

British National Formulary

BMJ Group and RPS Publishing (latest edition) available at:
<http://www.bnf.org/bnf/bnf/current>

Clinical Forensic Medicine – A Physician’s Guide

3rd Edition Stark MM. Editor. Humana Press, Totowa, New Jersey. 2011. (ISBN 978-1-61779-257-1).

Clinical Forensic Medicine

3rd Edition W. D. S. McLay. Cambridge University Press. 2009. (ISBN-13: 9780521705684).

Department of Health. Mental Health Act 1983 Code of Practice

London: The Stationary Office. 2008. (ISBN 978 0 11 322809 6).

Drug misuse and dependence UK guidelines on clinical management

Department of Health (England) and the devolved administrations. 2007.

Evaluation of the Sexually Abused Child: A Medical Textbook and Photographic Atlas

Heger AH, Emans SJH, Muram D. (eds.) 2nd edition. Oxford: OUP. 2000. (ISBN-10: 0195131266) (ISBN-13: 978-0195131260).

Forensic Gynaecology

Advanced Skill Series. 2nd Edition. Dalton M Editor. Cambridge. Oct 2014. (ISBN: 9781107064294).

Immunisation against infectious disease: the Green Book.

Chapter 18 Hepatitis B and Chapter 18a v_2.0. Human Papillomavirus (HPV). Department of Health. April 2013

Sexual Assault – A Forensic Clinicians’ Practice Guide

White, C (2010). (ISBN 978-0-9564737-0-7).

Oxford Handbook of Forensic Medicine.

Wyatt JP, Squires T, Norfolk G, Payne-James JJ. Oxford Medical Handbooks. 2011. (ISBN-10: 0199229945) (ISBN-13: 978-0199229949).

The Physical Signs of Child Sexual Abuse: An evidence-based review and guidance for best practice

RCPCH. May 2015. (ISBN 978-1-906579-00-5).

Substance Misuse Detainees in Police Custody. Guidelines for Clinical Management

4th Edition. Royal College of Psychiatrists & Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine. Report of a Medical Working Group. Royal College of Psychiatrists, London, 2011 (ISBN 978 1 908020 38 3).

Symptoms and Signs of Substance Misuse

Stark MM, Payne-James J & Scott-Ham M. 3rd edition. CRC Press. 2015. (ISBN 978-1-4441-8174-6)

GMC publications

It is recommended that candidates are familiar with **all** of the GMC’s core and supplementary guidance including, but not limited to:

- Good medical practice 2014
- Consent: patients and doctors making decisions together 2008
- Confidentiality 2009
- 0–18 years: guidance for all doctors 2007

- Protecting children and young people 2012
- Leadership and management for all doctors 2012
- Raising and acting on concerns about patient safety 2012
- Treatment and care towards the end of life 2010
- Guidance for doctors acting as responsible consultants or clinicians 2014
- Good practice in research and consent to research. 2010.
- Acting as an expert witness. 2012
- Personal beliefs and medical practice. 2008
- Confidentiality: reporting gunshot and knife wounds 2009.

NMC Publications

The Code

<http://www.nmc-uk.org/Publications/Standards/>

<http://www.nmc-uk.org/Publications/Guidance/>

Law and ethics

Blackstone's Statutes on Medical Law

Law for Doctors Principles and Practicalities

3rd Edition Garside J. London. RSM Press. 2006. (ISBN 1853156817.)

Law and Medical Ethics

9th Edition. Mason & McCall Smith. Oxford University Press. 2013.
(ISBN 978-0-19-965990-6).

Medicine, patients and the law

Brazier. Penguin. 5th Edition. 2011. (ISBN 978 0 241 95259 7).

Churchill's Medicolegal Pocketbook

Machin. Edinburgh Churchill Livingstone. 2003. (ISBN 0443071330).

Medicine for Lawyers 5th Edition

Cowan S & Hunt A. Heywards Heath Tottel Publishing. 2008. (ISBN 9781845922412).

Principles of Biomedical Ethics

7th Edition. Beauchamp T L & Childress J F. Oxford University Press. 2013. (ISBN 978 195143329).

Safeguarding

Child Protection Companion

2nd Edition. London: RCPCH. 2013.

www.rcpch.ac.uk

Responsibilities of doctors in Child Protection Cases with regard to Confidentiality.

February 2004. Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health.

www.rcpch.ac.uk

Working Together to Safeguard Children

HMSO. 26 March 2015

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-safeguard-children—2>

Sexual Health

www.bashh.org

[UK National Guideline for the use of post-exposure prophylaxis for HIV following sexual exposure](#)

International Journal of STD & AIDS 2011; 22: 695–708

[Management of STIs and related conditions in children and young people \[2010\]](#)

[Management of adult and adolescent complainants of sexual assault \(2011\)- amended June 2012](#)

The Children's HIV Association

www.chiva.org.uk

Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP) guidelines for children and adolescents exposed to blood-borne viruses 2011

<http://www.chiva.org.uk/professionals/health/guidelines/pep/young-pep-ref.html>

Faculty of Reproductive & Sexual Healthcare

www.fsrh.org

http://www.fsrh.org/pages/Clinical_Guidance_2.asp

Emergency contraception

[Emergency contraception guidance](#) January 2012.

Statement on Drug Interactions between Hormonal Contraception and Ulipristal Products: ellaOne® and Esmya® November 2012.

[Ulipristal \(EllaOne\) FAQs – Faculty Statement from the CEU](#) December 2009

Contraceptive Choices for Young People CEU March 2010

The Faculty of Forensic & Legal Medicine Guidelines and Recommendations.
www.fflm.ac.uk

See the website for the most up-to-date versions of the following publications:
<http://www.fflm.ac.uk/resources/publications>

Guidance for best practice for the management of intimate images that may become evidence in court

Guidelines on Paediatric Forensic Examinations in Relation to Possible Child Sexual Abuse
FFLM, RCPCH.

Management of injuries caused by teeth
BAFO, FFLM.

Consent from patients who may have been seriously assaulted

Forensic physicians as witnesses in criminal proceedings

Recommendations for the Collection of Forensic Specimens from Complainants and Suspects
Updated twice each year, January and July

Recommendations on Labelling Forensic Samples

Proforma for Adult Female and Male Forensic Sexual Assault Examination

Paediatric Forensic Examination Proforma

Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine

Miscellaneous

Scottish Mental Health legislation

www.nes.scot.nhs.uk

Department of Health, Home Office, Association of Chief Police Officers. Revised National Service Guide – A Resource for Developing Sexual Assault Referral Centres. 2009.

<http://goo.gl/e8wFZm>

Public health functions to be exercised by the NHS Commissioning Board. Service Specification No 30. Sexual Assault Services November 2012.

<http://goo.gl/1aYSNd>

Responding to violence against women and children – the role of the NHS – The report of the Taskforce on the Health Aspects of Violence Against Women and Children, March 2010

www.preventviolence.info then select “Resources”

The Stern Review 2010

<http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk>

Focus on: Violent Crime and Sexual Offences, 2011/12 Office of National Statistics

www.ons.gov.uk

Further reading

It is recommended that candidates read widely in preparation for the FFLM examinations. As well as the core texts, above, the following are examples of texts and publications providing a more in depth understanding of the subject areas that may be covered by the examination:

Adults With Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000 Part 5 Code of Practice (web only)

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2008/06/13114117/0>

Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards: Code of Practice to supplement the main Mental Capacity Act 2005 Code of Practice (Final Edition). 2008. Great Britain Ministry of Justice.

DoH Guidance (Mental Health)

(web resource) available at: <http://goo.gl/LH7uVV>

Forensic Medicine – Clinical and Pathological Aspects Payne-James JJ, Busuttill A and Smock W. Greenwich Medical Media. London. 2003. (ISBN 1841100269)

Forensic Science

Jackson P & Jackson J. 3rd Edition. 2011 Prentice Hall (ISBN 0273738402)

Guidelines for medico-legal care for victims of sexual violence.

WHO. 2003. (ISBN 92 4 154628 X).

Journal of Mental Health Law

Northumbria Law Press (ISBN 1466-2817)

Mental Capacity Act Manual.

4th Edition. Jones R. Sweet & Maxwell. 2010. (ISBN 9780414025035).

Mental Health Act Manual

Jones, R. 15th Edition. Sweet & Maxwell. 2012. (ISBN 0414025091).

Mental Capacity Act Code of Practice

Stationery Office. 2007. (ISBN 978 0 11 7037465).

Mental Health Act 1983 Code of Practice (2008 Edition), Stationery Office, 2008. (ISBN 978 0 11 3228096).

Parental rights and responsibilities

www.gov.uk/parental-rights-responsibilities

Principles of Medical Law: 3rd edition

Kennedy & Grubb, Oxford University Press. 2010. (ISBN 978 01995 44400).

Responsibilities of doctors in Child Protection Cases with regard to Confidentiality

February 2004. Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health.

www.rcpch.ac.uk

Scottish Mental Health legislation

<http://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/mha/>

Sexual Offences Act 2003. A Current Law Statute Guide.

Thomas JL. Sweet & Maxwell. 2004. (ISBN 0421878304).

Sexual Offences: Law & Practice Rook P, Ward P 4th edition. 2010.

(ISBN-10: 1847038670) (ISBN-13: 978-1847038678).

Simpson's Forensic Medicine 13th Edition

Payne-James JJ, Jones R, Karch SB, Manlove J. Hodder & Stoughton Ltd. 2011. (ISBN 978 0 340 986 035).

The Sexual Offences Act, 2003

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2003/42/contents>

The Sexual Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 2008

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/nisi/2008/1769/contents>

The Sexual Offences (Scotland) Act 2009

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2009/9/contents>

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