## Sexually transmitted infections following sexual assault – Tuesday 24 November 2020

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Michelle has worked in Sexual Offences Medicine (SOM) since 2002, undertaking her first post in forensic medicine at the SAFE Centre in Preston. In 2004 she began work at St. Mary's SARC and was appointed as one of two deputies to the Clinical Director in January 2018, with particular responsibility for the Liverpool service (SAFE Place Merseyside), also managed by Manchester University Foundation Trust.

She studied medicine at Kings College London as a postgraduate student and completed a number of junior hospital appointments. She enjoyed a brief period in the Ribble Valley working as a rural GP and between January 2005 and December 2012 she also worked for the sexual health charity, Brook, providing weekly medical cover at their Manchester City Centre clinic.

She is the SOM SAQ lead for the FFLM membership examination and represents the Faculty on the British Association of Sexual Health and HIV (BASHH) Sexual Violence Working Group.

She also provides independent consultancy to Lime Culture, a national sexual violence and safeguarding organisation delivering training to Independent Sexual Violence Advisers as part of their nationally accredited training programme and teaches academy footballers in the Premier League on sexual health matters.

In her spare time she enjoys renovating their very old house and walking in the local hills with her husband, Justin, their two teenage daughters, Mimi and Liv, and their Hungarian Vizsla, Pep (no, nothing to do with HIV, his name was chosen in honour of the Manchester City Manager, Pep Guardiola!)

## **Learning Objectives**

- To become acquainted with the current evidence regarding Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI's) following sexual assault
- To appreciate the current prevalence rates of STI's in the population
- To understand the recommended therapeutic interventions to reduce the risk of STI transmission during sexual assault
- To consider alternative solutions for the follow up of adult and child complainants of sexual assault with regards to STI screening

