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Faculty of Forensic & Legal Medicine

Pro Forma

Adult Forensic Sexual Assault Examination

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Note: This form has been designed to assist Forensic Clinicians in the assessment of an adult complainant of sexual assault. It is to be regarded as an aide-memoire and it is therefore not necessary for all parts of the pro forma to be completed. On completion this form is the personal property of the examining clinician. This form should not be used for the examination of suspects (use Fitness for Detention Pro forma).

Throughout the notes use 24 hour clock to avoid confusion

1. Initial Call

The	? initial	call	to a	ittend	a com	plainan	t of a	sexual	offenc	e fr	equently	/ com	es from	an ind	dividu	al wi	th litt	le in	format	ion r	egar	ding the	nat	ure
anc	l timing	g of	the	allega	tion.	Because	such	inforn	nation	will	inform	the c	lecision	regar	ding t	the v	enue	and	timing	of the	he ex	xaminat	ion	the
For	ensic C	linic	ian (FC) she	ould e	ndeavou	ır to s	peak a	lirectly	wit	h the of	ficer v	vho is v	vith th	ne com	plair	nant.							

Date and time of initial call							
Name of referrer (if police include collar number)							
Contact telephone number of referrer							
Name of sexual offence trained officer who will be attending with the complainant							
Contact telephone number of attending officer							
Name of complainant and DOB							
Does the complainant have any known serious injuries or other acute medical problems?							
The FC should ensure that the venue proposed for the examination is appropriate. It may be necessary to arrange for the complainant to be transferred, via an ambulance, to the nearest ED if she/he appears to have serious injuries or an altered level of consciousness. The FC should be willing to attend a hospital if required to.							
When did the alleged incident take place (day / date / time)?							
A decision with regard to the timing of the examination should be made after consideration of the persistence data regarding forensic vidence (see FFLM 'Recommendations for the collection of forensic specimens from complainants and suspects') and the medical needs of the complainant (e.g. HIV Post Exposure Prophylaxis, Hep B, emergency contraception, documentation of injuries).							
What is the nature of the alleged sexual assault?							
If there is any suggestion that penis-mouth penetration (fellatio) may have taken place, or the nature of the sexual assault is not known, the referrer should be reminded to obtain urgently the oral samples i.e. two mouth swabs and mouth wash (see FFLM 'Recommendations for the collection of forensic specimens from complainants and suspects'). Police officers and civilian staff have access to an 'Early Evidence Kit' to sample a complainant's mouth.							
Is there any suggestion that drugs or alcohol have been used to facilitate the sexual assault of the complainant (DFSA)?							
In all cases, presenting within 14 days of the allegation the referrer should be reminded to access urgently a Urine Module/'Early Evidence Kit' and request a urine sample from the complainant. The time of the last urination (prior to the one yielding the sample) and the time that the sample was produced should be noted. Consideration should also be given to whether the complainant has capacity to consent to the examination.							
Does the complainant have any known mental health problems?							
If yes, consideration should be given to arranging a person with prior knowledge of the complainant to attend with them.							
Does the complainant have any known additional needs e.g. difficulty understanding English?							
If yes, consideration should be given to arranging an interpreter. Consider all other additional needs e.g. A signer for the deaf. Agreed venue and time for examination							

2. Examination Details	
Location	
Date of examination	
Time of arrival of complainant	
Time FC introduced to complainant	
3. Forensic Clinician Details	
Name of FC	
GMC / NMC number	
Other clinicians (if present)	
4. Police Details	
Crime Reference Number	
Name and contact details of attending police officer (including collar number	r)
Name and contact details of Officer in Case (including collar number)	
E. Crisis Worker Details	
5. Crisis Worker Details	
Name of Crisis Worker	
Contact telephone number	
6. Others Present	
Social worker/ Care worker	
Others (relationship to examinee)	
Other's (retationship to examinee)	
7. Patient Details	
NameAddress	
Date of Birth Age	
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Self-referral case number (if applicable)	
8. Reason for Referral	
Briefing taken from	
Contact details (if police include collar number)	
Names of persons present during briefing	
Location of alleged assault(s)	

9. (Consent to	History.	Examination	and Report
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	inderstand that the forensic examination will include (delete if not applicable):
	A full medical history and complete examination recorded in writing
	Collection of forensic samples
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,	Collection of medical specimens
a)	Taking of photographs/videos/digital images for recording and evidential purposes (including second opinions from medical experts and peer review). I have been told that any sensitive photographs, videos and/or digital images will be anonymised, encrypted and stored securely and only be made available to other non-medical persons on the order of a judge
e)	I understand and agree that a copy of the medical notes may be given to professionals involved in the case (e.g. police or lawyers) and may be used in a court
f)	I understand and agree that the Clinician will provide a statement/report for the police if requested to do so
g)	I agree to the use of my anonymised photographs/videos/digital images/medical notes for teaching and research
h)	I give permission for a letter to be written to my GP
i)	I understand that I may strike out any of the above
j)	I understand that my anonymised photographs/videos/digital images/medical notes will be used for audit
k)	I understand that if this case goes to court the clinician may be required to be cross examined on this medical examination in court
l)	I understand staff at the SARC have a duty of care and may have to inform social services and/or police
m)	I have been advised that I may halt the examination at any time
Sig	gned
Na	me printed
Sig	gnature of FC who took consent
Na	me printed
G٨	AC/NMC Number
lf١	verbal consent, signature of witness
Na	me printed

GIVE A COPY OF THIS CONSENT FORM TO THE COMPLAINANT

10. Details of the Assault from Complainant

Kissing/licking/biting/ sucking/spitting?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN	(details, including sites)
Mouth to genitalia/anus?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN	(details)
Digit to vulva/vagina/anus?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN	(details)
Penis into vulva/vagina?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN	(details)
Penis into mouth?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN	(details)
Penis into anus?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN	(details)
Ejaculation?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN	(details, including sites)
Object to vulva/vagina/anus?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN	(details)
Other sexual/physical act(s)	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN	(details)
Injuries?	YES / NO	(details)
Ano-genital bleeding?	YES / NO	(details)
Violence used	YES / NO	(details)
Strangulation	YES / NO	(details)
Weapon used?	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN	(details)
Damage to clothing?	YES / NO	(details)
Additional Details		

Asked to direct forensic sampling and determine risk of STIs and pregnancy (see Medical Aftercare)	
Confirmation / additions from complainant (verbatim & recorded contemporaneously)	
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11. Post Alleged Assault ask if relevant

Eaten	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN				
Drank	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN				
Passed urine	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN (note time)				
Bowels open	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN				
Wiped / wash	YES / NO / NOT KNOWN (specify site and disposal of e.g. cloth/tissue)				
Changed clothes	(specify)				
Self harm	(sites)(method)				
	Brushed: teeth / gums / dentures				
Circle:	Mouth wash / spray used				
	Washed / bathed / showered / douched				
	Changed tampon / pad / sponge / diaphragm				
12. Details of Alleged Assailant(s) Asked to determine risk of STIs (see Medical Aftercare) Confirmation / additions from complainant (verbatim and recorded contemporaneously)					

13. Direct Questions ask if relevant

	Since assault	Details	If yes, note if previously experienced the problem described
Abdominal Pain			
Urinary symptoms e.g. dysuria, frequency, haematuria, incontinence, UTI			
Genital symptoms e.g. soreness, discharge, bleeding, dyspareunia, pruritis, injuries			
e.g. soreness, pain on defaecation, discharge, bleeding, change in bowel habit, incontinence, pruritis, injuries			
Other symptoms (including intoxication with or withdrawal from drugs/alcohol)			

14. Sexual History (note who was praftercare - for the latter the time fram	ne may need to be extende	ed to 'since l	ast normal mens	trual period'	
Dates and times of other relevant sea	xual activity within t	ne previou	s 10 days		
tems used in previous intercourse					
Condom Yes □ No □ Not Kr	nown 🗆	Sperm	icide Yes □	No □	Not Known □
_ubricant Yes □ No □ Not Kr	nown 🗆	Other	(specify)		
f relevant, clarify types of intercour	se in last 10 days onl	у			
Drug and Alcohol Use in Red Did the alleged assailant consume ald		d Assault Yes □	: No		Not Known □
-	LOHOU:	Prior		_	After offence
f yes, please specify Start time of drinking			During of drinking		Arter offence
Quantity and type of beverage consu			_		
Fime last ate					
Did the complainant consume alcoho	l?	Yes □	No		Not Known □
f yes, please specify		Prior □	During		After offence □
Start time of drinking		End time	_		
Quantity and type of beverage consu	med				
Fime last ate					
Subjective sense of influence/ intoxi	cation with alcohol _				
Have any illicit drugs been used by /		Yes □	No		Not Known
subject within 14 days of the examin f yes, please specify	ation?	Prior □	During		After offence □
Give details			_		
Are any other substances suspected (of having been used	Yes 🗆	No		Not Known □
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By / administered that could be relev f yes, please specify	ant to the offence?	Prior	During		After offence
Give details					
. applicable diagnationol miscol y_					

16. Medical History						
General Health (including clotting disorders)						
Additional Needs						
Pre-existing skin problems e.g. eczema, lichen sclerosus						
Previous Illnesses						
Operations						
17. Mental Health						
History of mental illness						
Hospital admissions (voluntary / involuntary)						
Care Plan						

18. Menstrual / Obstetric History

Periods e.g. frequency / r	regularity / LMP	How many times have you given birth?				
Pre-existing menstrual pr	oblems e.g. IMB and PCB	Number of vaginal births				
		Birth weight of children				
		Episiotomy?				
		Any genital surgery (including piercings/FGM)				
19. Medications and	d Allergies					
Prescribed Medication e.g. contraception (detail compliance), HRT						
Other medication / remedies (e.g. OTC, vitamins, protein shakes etc.)						
Allergies						

20. Forensic Medical Examination

Start time	Fin	ish time	
21. Examination			
Name(s) of person(s) prese	nt		
Height	Weight	BMI M ² /Kg	
General appearance			
Skin (colour, gooseflesh dia	aphoresis etc.)		
Hair approximate time of any ac	dded hair dye (advise not to dye hair or cut hai	r whilst awaiting hair samples for toxicolog	gy at 4 - 6 weeks)
Demeanour / Denaviour			
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Speecn (e.g. content, sturri	ing)		
Additional physical needs_			

Injuries (fresh / healing or healed) / pathology / tattoos / piercings (indicate if self-harm)	Examined	Injuries	See Body Chart
Scalp/hair	Y / N	Y / N	
Face	Y / N	Y / N	
Eyes	Y / N	Y / N	
Ears	Y / N	Y / N	
Lips	Y / N	Y / N	
Inside mouth/palate (Note any foetor/frenulum)	Y / N	Y / N	
Teeth	Y / N	Y / N	
Neck	Y / N	Y / N	
Back	Y / N	Y / N	
Buttocks	Y / N	Y / N	
Arms: R	Y / N	Y / N	
L	Y / N	Y / N	
Hands/wrists: R L	Y / N Y / N	Y / N Y / N	Note if R or L handed
Fingers/nails: R	Y / N	Y / N	Note if cut / broken / false
L	Y / N	Y / N	
Front of chest	Y / N	Y / N	
Breasts	Y / N	Y / N	
Back of chest	Y / N	Y / N	
Abdomen	Y / N	Y / N	
Legs: R	Y / N	Y / N	
L	Y / N	Y / N	
Feet/ankles/soles: R	Y / N	Y / N	
L	Y / N	Y / N	
Additional details e.g. jewellery, injection sites, self-harm, tattoos			

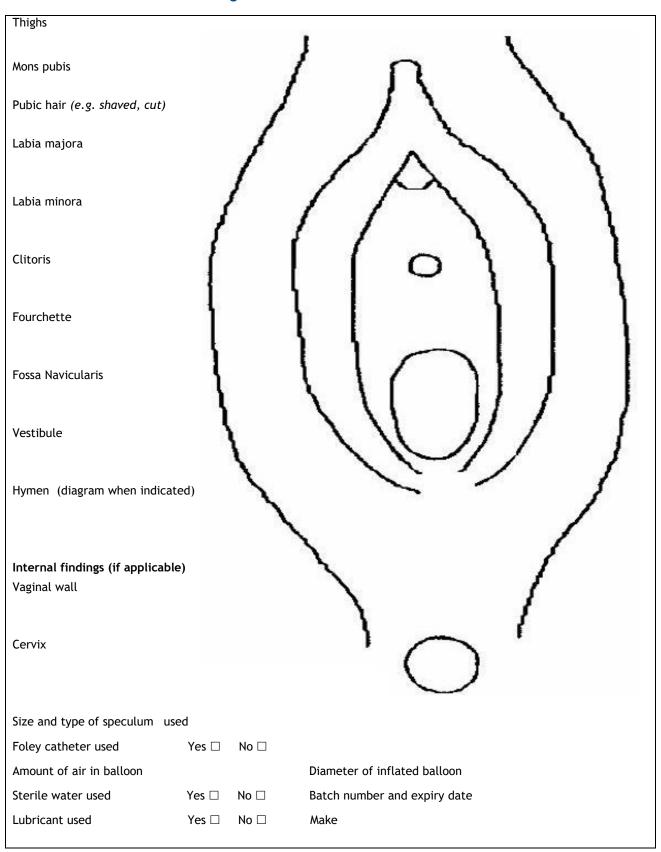
Systems Examination

	Pulse rate/character
CVS	Other findings
	Trachea / Air entry / PN
RS	Breath sounds
	PEFR (if indicated)
	L.K.K.S
Abdomen	Tenderness / Masses / Guarding / Rebound
	Bowel sounds
	Cranials
	Pupil Size
	Reaction to light
	Accommodation
Neurology	Tremor
	Ataxia
	Power
	Reflexes
	Sensation

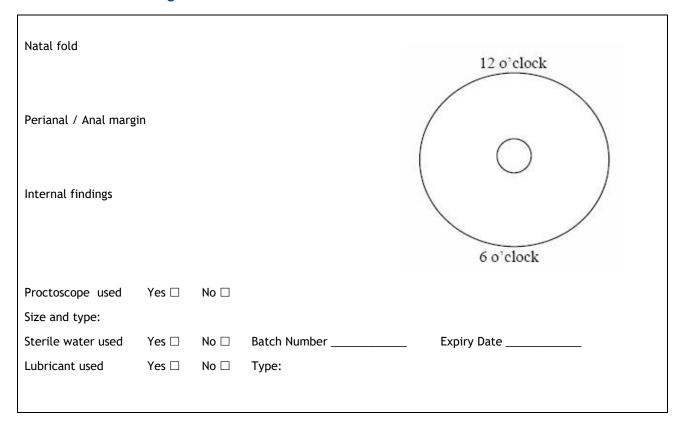
22. Genital and Anal Examination

Extra lighting \square	Colposcope		Additional magnification \square				
Position used							
Left lateral	Yes □	No □	Supine	Yes □	No □		
Separation	Yes □	No □	Traction	Yes □	No □		

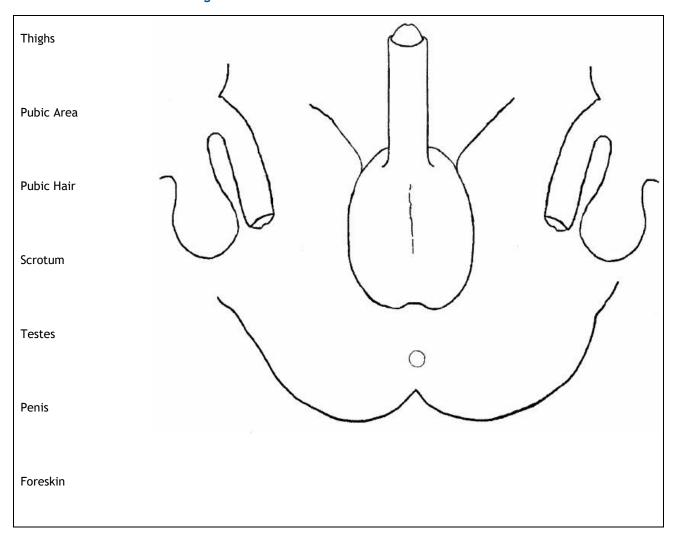
Details of Female Genital findings



Details of Anal findings



Details of Male Genital Findings



23. Forensic Samples (do not complete if FME forms are used)	
Start time	End time

	Identification number	Description of sample	Moistened	Time Taken
			Yes / No	
1				
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20				
To whom hand	ed			

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Date and Time samples handed over___

24. Medical Samples
List any samples obtained
25. Photo documentation
List any photographs/videos/DVDs obtained (incl. encryption code)
List any photographs / videos/ DVDs obtained (met. encryption code)
26. Conclusions / Advice Given to Police

27. Confidential Medical Aftercare (can be detached)

A. Risk of Sexually Transmitted Infections

The complainant's risk of contracting a sexually transmitted infection should be considered in every case. Local policy will determine what medication is available on site and what will be provided by other agencies. The following sections should be completed to demonstrate discussion and referral/treatment.

Detail of exposure:						
Date / time of assault						
Time interval to examination						
Type of exposure: Anal rece	ptive / vagir	nal rec	eptive / oral r	ecept	ive	
Other						
Ejaculation occurred?	Yes		No		Not known	
Condom used throughout?	Yes		No		Not known	
Aggravating factors e.g. mucosal breach	Yes		No			
Menstruating	Yes		No			
Suspect details:						
Sexuality	Not known		Heterosexual		Bisexual MSM WSW	
IVDU	Yes		No		Not known	
UK-born	Yes		No		Not known	
Lived abroad	Yes		No		Not known	
Country	High risk		Low risk			
HIV status	Positive		Negative		Not known	
HIV positive - what is the viral load						
According to SARC flowcharts / local police Not appropriate To be considered Is complainant: <16 years old / pregnant / breast feeding (If yes to any of these, discuss with GU or Output Description:	lered □ g / suffering s	Rec oserious			_	No □
Where PEP to be considered or recommended, eight treatment to be given on site discuss we Rationale / Potential side effects / Regin Starter pack given Yes Declaration	vith complain	ant:				ines. No □
Batch no			_ Expiry Date			
Time of first dose PEP (if given on site) of	or referral to	GUM /	ED for PEP			
Patient info sheet given	Yes [No □			
GUM form faxed to GU clinic Name of clinic	Yes [No □			
Clinic contact number given to complain	ant Yes [No □			

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According to SARC flowchart / local policy Hep B PEP is:				Not appropriate ☐ Recommended ☐		
According to SARC flowchart / lo	cal policy Hep	B PEP Immuno	globulin is:	Not appropriate 🗆 R	☐ Recommended ☐	
Where Hep B Pep is recommended either	er refer to approp	oriate agency or fo	ollow local treat	tment guidelines		
Нер В Рер	Yes □	Declined \square				
Name of injection						
Site			Expiry Date			
Batch No			Dose			
Patient info sheet given	Yes □	No □				
Aiii. Safer Sex						
Barrier methods advised for 3 mo	onths post assa	ult discussed		Yes □	No □	
STI screening organised						
B. Emergency Contraception						
Pregnancy test at centre?	Yes □	No □	Result			
LMP		_ Hours post (unprotected s	exual intercourse (UPSI)		
Other unprotected sexual interco	ourse since LMF	o?				
Not appropriate						
Name				Expiry Date		
Follow up advice	Yes □	No □		. , _		
IUCD Considered □	Discussed □	Recom	nmended 🗆			
C. Are they safe to leave?						
Any specific concerns arisen rega	rding imminen	it risk of self-ha	arm / suicide?	Yes □	No □	
Further information / action						
	Safer Sex er methods advised for 3 months post assault discussed Terening organised mergency Contraception nancy test at centre? Hours post unprotected sexual intercourse (UPSI) r unprotected sexual intercourse since LMP? appropriate ned r gency contraceptive given Batch Number Batch Number Considered Discussed Recommended Recommended Recommended Recommended					
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Psychological well-being / mental health follow up details					
D. Safeguarding Referrals					
Details					
Action Taken					
E. GP letter					
Name of GP					
Surgery address					
Surgery telephone number					
Permission to send letter	Yes □	No □			
Given to complainant	Yes □	No □			
Posted to GP	Yes □	No □			
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GP / GUM Letter	Given to (Complainant 🗆	Emailed □	To be posted \Box	
Details				F	
···					
Clinic contact number given to	complainant i	f attending GU clinic	: Yes □	No □	

Crime Reference Number

PLEASE REMEMBER TO KEEP COPY IN THE NOTES OF ANY LETTERS TO OTHER AGENCIES SUCH AS GP, GU CLINIC, ED etc.

Case Number

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References

1. Recommendations for the Collection of Forensic Specimens from Complainants and Suspects (Updated biannually, in January and July)

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