Sexual Assault Center provides all of the following services FREE of charge:

Individual and Group Counseling Legal Advocacy Medical Advocacy Medical Forensic Exams 24 Hour Crisis Line

Our mission is to enhance

the quality of life

in our community

by fostering personal

growth, emotional

development,

recovery from trauma,

self-reliance, and

healthy relationships.

24 hour crisis line 989.790.9118



Michigan Sexual Assault Hotline 1-855-VOICES4

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Coordinated, compassionate care to victims of sexual assault in Saginaw County.

OUR HISTORY

In 1997, a small group of nurses, staff from the Sexual Assault Center of Child & Family Services and law enforcement personnel from Saginaw Valley State University began meeting to find the best way to respond to victims of sexual assault. The result of those meetings was the Sexual Assault Task Force whose sole focus was developing and implementing a Sexual Assault Response Team in Saginaw County. In 2000, the Board of Directors was formalized and began using Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners at local hospitals. In June, 2001, SART/SANE became a service of Child & Family Services' Sexual Assault Center. SART/SANE began providing sexual assault forensic examinations on August 1, 2001.

- WHO: Victims of sexual assault age 13* and older who have been sexually assaulted in the past 5 days.
- WHAT: Sexual Assault Nurse Examinations & Victim Advocate support
- HOW: Call the Sexual Assault Center at **790-9118** for a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner and Victim Advocate
- WHEN: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- WHERE: Medical-forensic exams can be conducted at all three hospitals in Saginaw County. The Sexual Assault Center maintains private exam rooms at both Covenant HealthCare and Ascension St. Mary's at Towne Centre.
- COST: No Fee

*Victims under 13 will be referred to the appropriate medical professional for an examination.





SANE EXAMS OFFER:

- A Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) who has received extensive training in trauma response and evidence collection;
- A supportive victim advocate trained and dedicated to advocate on the victim's behalf and provide the emotional support they need;
- A private, clean and confidential environment;
- Complete nursing assessment, including collection of legal evidence and treatment of injuries;
- Medications to prevent sexually transmitted infections;
- Information and referrals to resources in the community;
- A coordinated and collaborative response by law enforcement, local hospitals and professional trauma-informed counselors to best meet the needs of victims of sexual assault.