

Suspected Sexual Abuse (02-12-2015)

Obtain History from
Parent/Guardian
Separate from Child

Boston Medical Center CPT
24/7 SW Pager #7336
Backup MD Pager #7340

DCF Hotline
800-792-5200

< 12 years

For All Patients

- ✓ Patient's age
- ✓ Date of assault
- ✓ Blood/body fluid exposure?
- ✓ General PE and Tanner Stage

Safety Assessment/SW consult

- Patient still at risk? / Location of assailant now?
- Assailant's age? / Is this a child?
- Who brought patient in for care? / Who is legal guardian?
- Other children in home at risk?
- Consider trafficking/exploitation

12 – 18 years

> 18 years



< 12

1. Collect evidence if assault is < **72 hours**.
2. Consult CPT to discuss case, including:
 - 51A
 - DCF emergency response
 - Police notification
 - Need to notify hospital security
 - Child Advocacy Center (CAC) referral
 - Evidence collection
3. Blood/body fluid exposure: **YES**
 - Lab work:
 - ✓ HepC, Syphilis, HIV PCR, HIV Ab
 - ✓ GC/Ch, Trich, pregnancy testing
 - Consider emergency/pregnancy prophylaxis
 - Consult Pedi ID (Pgr#9200) for questions re possible HIV PEP (Refer to PEP info sheet)
4. Consider toxicology testing

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Discharge Planning

1. **Contact CPT**
2. **Safety Plan:** d/w CPT re need to involve law enforcement or DCF
3. **Medical:** Rx for PEP (Note: consult ID) and pregnancy prophylaxis PRN
4. **Referral to Child Advocacy Center** (Suffolk County)
617-779-2146
5. **If HIV PEP started,** call Pedi ID Clinic at 617-414-7428 for an appointment.



12-18

1. Collect evidence if assault is < **120 hours** (SANE).
2. Consult CPT to discuss case, including:
 - 51A
 - DCF emergency response
 - Police notification
 - Need to notify hospital security
 - Child Advocacy Center (CAC) referral
 - Evidence collection
3. Blood/body fluid exposure: **YES**
 - Lab work:
 - ✓ HepC, Syphilis, HIV PCR, HIV Ab
 - ✓ GC/Ch, Trich, pregnancy testing
 - Consider emergency/pregnancy prophylaxis
 - Consult Pedi ID (Pgr#9200) for questions re possible HIV PEP (Refer to PEP info sheet)
4. Consider toxicology testing
5. Consider MH evaluation, screen for SI

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Discharge Planning

1. **Contact CPT**
2. **Safety Plan:** d/w CPT re need to involve law enforcement or DCF
3. **Medical:** Rx for HIV PEP (Note: consult ID) and STI prophylaxis PRN
4. **Follow up:** Adolescent Clinic
5. **Referral to Child Advocacy Center** (Suffolk County)
617-779-2146



> 18

1. Collect evidence if assault < **120 hours** (SANE).
2. Blood/body fluid exposure: **YES**
 - Lab work:
 - ✓ HepC, Syphilis, HIV PCR, HIV Ab
 - ✓ GC/Ch, Trich, pregnancy testing
 - Consider emergency/pregnancy prophylaxis
 - Consult Pedi ID (Pgr#9200) for questions re possible HIV PEP (Refer to PEP info sheet)
3. Consider mental health evaluation, screen for suicidal ideation
4. Call CPT/SW if:
 - Developmentally delayed
 - Other children in home at risk for sexual abuse

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Commercial Sexual
Exploitation of Children

Discharge Planning

1. **Contact CPT as needed**
2. **Safety Plan:** d/w CPT re need to involve law enforcement or DCF
3. **Medical:** Rx for PEP (Note: consult ID) and STI prophylaxis PRN
4. **Encourage to call for follow-up** Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC): 800-841-8371