

Paperwork from Forensic Exams
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Background: A SANE coordinator asked, “Do you include all of your paperwork from your SANE exam on the chart that then becomes part of the medical record or do you turn it over to law enforcement or your local DA”?

Michigan

- The original record is stored in our SANE office.
- A copy (with the patient’s written permission) is provided to the investigating police agency, prosecutor's office, and crime lab (with evidence).

New Jersey

- The forensic record is retained by the SANE Coordinator.
- A copy is given to law enforcement, when appropriate, and a copy is put inside the kit for the lab.

Alaska

- The original is stored in a secure file in our Medical Records Department.
- A copy goes to the investigating agency and we include a copy in the evidence kit. This process is also on our consent form.

Louisiana

- The paperwork we use has three copies that come with the evidence kit.
- We also generate a medical record.
- The originals stay with the medical record. One copy is sealed inside the kit; the third copy goes to the detective.