

Southern Illinois Regional EMS System

FF-10 SEXUAL ASSAULT

ALS/ILS/BLS

It is the responsibility of the individual who identifies violence upon another person to notify the police and to provide information to the victim regarding services available to victims of abuse as mandated by Illinois law.

1. Sexual Assault:
 - 1.1 Initial medical care.
 - 1.2. Remove patient from bystanders and provide privacy.
 - 1.3. Treat injuries and contact medical control according to appropriate SOP.
 - 1.4. Obtain the history as developmentally appropriate.
 - 1.5. Document on the run report in the historian's own words.
 - 1.6. Report incident/suspicion to the local law enforcement agencies:
 - 1.6.1. Inform the patient that you are required by law to report suspected victims of violence.
 - 1.6.2. Document on the run report the date, time and law enforcement personnel you reported to.
 - 1.7. Do not allow patient to eat or drink anything.
 - 1.8. Do not remove patient's clothing/personal belongings unless specifically indicates for treatment of injuries. If clothing/personal belongings are removed:
 - 1.8.1. Place in a paper bag, seal bag and label with patient's name, date, time, and person collecting the clothing/accessories.
 - 1.8.2. Document on the bag and run report what items were collected and placed in the bag.
 - 1.8.3. Transport belongings with patient.
 - 1.8.4. Turn over clothing/personal belongings to receiving nurse/police officer.
 - 1.8.5. Document on the run report who received the patient's clothing/personal belongings.
 - 1.9. In patient is a minor, contact Department of Children and Family Services. Refer to Suspected Child Maltreatment (HH-4) SOP.
2. Refusal of Treatment and/or Transport:
 - 2.1. Inform patient that you are required by law to report suspected/actual victims of violence to local law enforcement agencies.
 - 2.1.1. Document on the run report the date, time and law enforcement personnel you reported to.
 - 2.2. Have patient sign Patient Right of Refusal Form (A-6) SOP.
 - 2.3. Contact medical control if any question of patient's mental competency to refuse treatment/transport. Refer to Patients Right of Refusal (A-6).
 - 2.4. Provide patient with information sheet regarding services available to victims of abuse and/or violence.
 - 2.4.1. Document on the run report that patient received this information.