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Penal Code Section 13823.93 established the statutory authority for the California Clinical Forensic Medical Training Center (CCFMTC). Training is provided for healthcare providers to identify, evaluate, and document injuries; to better manage the healthcare consequences of abuse; and to effectively collaborate with law enforcement agencies, advocacy organizations, social services, and the criminal justice system. CCFMTC also provides training to law enforcement officers, deputy district attorneys, public defenders, investigative social workers, and judges on medical evidentiary examination procedures and the interpretation of findings.

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ABOUT THE COURSE:
This five day program focuses on fundamental forensic examination techniques for adult and adolescent victims of sexual assault. Using the Cal EMA 2-923 form and California Medical Protocol for Examination of Sexual Assault and Child Sexual Abuse Victims, this course is designed for the inexperienced examiner and teaches basic knowledge and skills.

COURSE SCHEDULE:

DAY ONE 7:30 AM - Registration
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM
• Welcome and Introductions
• Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Models
Sexual assault is a complex problem best addressed by a coordinated team response. This module briefly reviews the history of rape and describes the fundamental features common to all SART systems.
• Basic Legal Issues
It is essential for sexual assault forensic examiners to be familiar with the elements of sex crimes and the investigative approach employed by law enforcement officers and prosecutors. This module also reviews mandatory reporting requirements, victim rights and sentencing guidelines.
• Sexual Assault History Part I and Part II
The forensic history in sexual assault is a combination of focused medical data and comprehensive assault-related details needed by the crime lab and the criminal justice system. The sexual assault history required by the standardized state form (Cal EMA 2-923) and the California Protocol for Examination of Sexual Assault and Child Sexual Abuse Victims is discussed step-by-step.

DAY TWO 8:00 AM to 5:10 PM
• Psychodynamics of Rape
Victims of sexual assault experience acute and chronic post-trauma stress disorder. Sexual assault forensic examiners must understand this trauma and be prepared with crisis intervention skills. This module also outlines the roles and responsibilities of the rape crisis counselor and their relationship with the forensic examiner.
• History Taking Activity
After didactic training about the sexual assault history, this interactive exercise allows participants to role play with one another to obtain the history combined with feedback from experts.
• Anatomy Review
Pertinent anal and genital anatomy is reviewed and includes examples of normal variants, hormonal influence and age related changes.
• Exam and Evidence Collection Part I
Documentation of findings and the management of evidence is the core of the sexual assault forensic examination. Meticulous attention to detail and adherence to Cal EMA 2-923 procedures and protocols will be stressed in this step-by-step module.

NOTE: There are 1.5 hours of breaks everyday.

DAY THREE 8:00 AM to 5:05 PM
• Exam and Evidence Collection Part II
• Extra Genital Injuries
The evaluation and documentation of traumatic findings related to sexual assault are essential skills for the sexual assault forensic examiner. Many examples of traumatic findings detected in sexual assault exams will be presented.
• Ano-Genital Injuries
Sexual assault may result in injuries to ano-genital structures. Detecting and documenting these findings is an important component of the exam. Injury epidemiology and the challenges of evidence-based interpretation will be discussed.
• Special Procedures and Challenges
This two-part module discusses the unique challenges of Drug Facilitated Sexual Assault and special consideration for dealing with teen sexual assault patients. The basic principles and practical approach to forensic photographic documentation of findings is a very helpful primer for the forensic examiner.

DAY FOUR 8:00 AM to 5:05 PM SKILLS LAB
This day is dedicated entirely to practical “hands-on” exercises designed to build forensic skills required in the performance of the sexual assault examination. Participants uniformly report that the skills lab day builds not only essential skills but also confidence and provides a “put it all together” perspective.

DAY FIVE 8:00 AM to 3:10 PM
• Treatment and Follow-up
The theoretical and practical considerations about emergency contraception and STI prophylaxis are reviewed.
• Assessment
Proper interpretation of findings, formulation of expert medical opinion and expert testimony are the most difficult and highest level of skill that the sexual assault forensic examiner must develop. This module will review the basic principles of evidence-based interpretation and presentation of findings as a starting point for the life-long development of forensic expertise.
• Effective Expert Testimony
An overview of effective communication in the courtroom setting. “Basic Rules of Engagement” and practical strategies for interacting with the criminal justice system will be presented.
• Exam Video and Discussion
• Fears and Needs of Examiners Discussion

COURSE OBJECTIVES:
Participants will be able to:
1. List the five disciplines/professions that must be represented in any SART to ensure efficacy of practice.
2. Define the protection and liabilities for mandated reporters for sexual assault and child abuse and how they impact the practices of sexual assault forensic examiners.
3. Summarize and model the basic principles and techniques used to thoroughly interview a sexual assault victim in accordance with the CAL EMA 2-923 medical protocol without re-traumatizing the victim.
4. Identify and explain the basic stages of recovery from sexual assault trauma and the role the forensic evidentiary examination and the healthcare provider have in initiating recovery.
5. Identify and describe pertinent female and male anatomical structures relevant to conducting a forensic medical exam and completing the Cal EMA 2-923 exam report.
6. Identify the proper technique for documenting genital injuries (in both males and female victim/patients) according to the Cal EMA 2-923 medical protocol.
7. Summarize and describe the proper technique for collecting trace and biological evidence from the genital region (both male and female victims/patients) according to the Cal EMA 2-923 medical protocol.
8. Explain the significance of extra-genital injuries in a patient following sexual assault.
9. Define drug-facilitated sexual assault and its significance relative to conducting a forensic evidentiary exam.
10. Summarize a clinically appropriate approach to the evaluation, management, and follow up of physical injuries sustained by the sexual assault victim.

For a complete listing of course objectives, please visit our website at www.ccfmtc.org.