

# Sexual Assault/Child Sexual Abuse: Emergency Department Response

Examination will be paid by state of AR if incident occurred within 96 hours (time limitation waived for minors) per Arkansas Code 12-12-403 [b] [1] [B]

## Allegation of sexual assault/abuse: Is the patient under 18 years of age?

**NO**

**YES**

1. Ask patient if they would like an advocate. If so, call \_\_\_\_\_. It is not a HIPAA violation to place this call.
2. If the sexual assault occurred within 96 hours, ED will offer/provide a Rape Kit Exam.
3. The incident does not have to be reported to law enforcement in order to provide Rape Kit exam.
4. If patient wants to report for investigation, make police report.
5. No exam shall be performed without patient's consent.
6. Basic health exam and STI/pregnancy prophylaxis should still be offered even if Rape Kit collection declined.

