



Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation

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CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION: SUBMITTAL OF SEXUAL ASSAULT EVIDENCE COLLECTION KITS

OSBI has modified its submittal process for sexual assault evidence collection kits.

- When submitting Envelope #1 of the sexual assault kit and/or known reference samples only, no consultation with a biologist is required.
- A written description of the alleged assault or the associated police report/narrative is still required to be provided at the time of submittal.
- If case-specific circumstances dictate that other evidence may be more informative than the kit (i.e. suspect ejaculated on a specific item), a consult with a biologist will be needed. You may call the Forensic Biology Unit duty biologist at 405-330-6724 for pre-approval of evidence submittal.
- Please submit known reference samples from the suspect(s) and any consensual partner of the victim within 5 days (120 hours) of the alleged assault or between the alleged assault and the SANE exam. This will allow a direct comparison between possible suspects and any DNA profile developed from the evidence.
- Please DO NOT submit kits where no report has made to law enforcement or if the victim has requested it not be tested (74 O.S. § 150.28b).
- 74 O.S. § 150.28b requires all sexual assault kits, whether tested or untested, be retained by the law enforcement agency in a secure, environmentally safe manner for not less than fifty (50) years or for the length of the statute of limitations for the alleged crime, whichever is longer.

If you have any questions regarding this notification, please contact OSBI Forensic Biology Unit Supervisors Barbara Wells or Todd Lindsey.

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