

Sexual Assault Incident Notice

Chicago Police Department

Police Report R.D. Number: _____ Date: _____ Beat of Occurrence: _____

Chicago Rape Crisis Hotline - 1-888-293-2080

Free and Confidential -- Available 24 hours, 7 days a week

If you have been sexually assaulted or abused, require sexual assault services, or need information about sexual assault, please call the hotline for:

- Non-judgmental emotional support.
- Counseling for you, your children and/or non-perpetrating significant other(s).
- Information on education and professional training.
- Information on legal and medical advocacy, including forensic exams, the criminal justice system, and protection orders.

Remember: If you are in IMMEDIATE DANGER, you should immediately call 911.

RIGHTS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS

Incident Reporting: Survivors of sexual assault or abuse are entitled to:

- Being treated with fairness, respect, dignity, and privacy.
- Have a police report made in Chicago for any sexual assault or abuse incident, including:
 - incidents perpetrated upon another person but that you witnessed.
 - incidents occurring in another country, city or state.
 - when you think you have been sexually assaulted or abused but are not sure.
 - by a third party, with your consent.
- Request compensation or receive benefits from the Illinois Crime Victims Compensation program for damages you suffered as a result of the crime by calling 1-800-228-3368.

If there are official criminal proceedings involved with your case, you are also entitled to be notified of court proceedings, communicate with the prosecution, and make a statement to the court at the judge's discretion. An advocate may attend court proceedings with you or inform you about the proceedings.

Medical Services/Evidence Preservation:

Survivors of sexual assault should seek medical attention as soon as possible. You may request transportation to a hospital for emergency medical attention and evidence collection. The sooner the medical forensic exam is performed, the more evidence is available for collection.

You may not be sure whether or not you want to participate in the criminal justice process right now but it is important to know that critical evidence may be lost if you change clothes; take a bath, shower or douche; use the restroom; eat; smoke; or perform oral hygiene, depending on the nature of the attack. If you request medical forensic services, the hospital must offer a general medical exam, treat injuries, evaluate the need for medications, and collect forensic evidence.

A hospital must perform a forensic exam and complete an evidence kit up to 7 days after the assault if you request it, regardless of your age, but the longer you wait the likelihood of obtaining evidence decreases. The hospital will collect DNA and other biological evidence, will take photographs and will collect clothing that may contain evidence.

You will NOT be billed for any services provided in the emergency room or for medical forensic services. In addition, if eligible, the hospital will give you a voucher for 90 days of follow-up care. The nearest hospital which provides emergency medical and forensic services for sexual assault survivors:

Hospital Name:

Hospital Address:

Hospital Issued CheckPoint K Number:

This hospital employs a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner: Yes No Unknown

Evidence Testing and Storage:

Hospital personnel will offer you options for reporting the sexual assault/abuse and for the collecting and testing of forensic evidence. You must provide written consent to have the collected evidence tested. You can also consent to having a sample of your urine tested for alcohol and all other legal and illegal drugs. Specific information on the consent to testing will be described on the consent form provided by hospital personnel. **If you have consented to the testing of evidence**, you are entitled to the following information that can be found on the Illinois State Police evidence tracking system CheckPoint:

- 1) The date the Chicago Police Department (CPD) sent the evidence to the Illinois State Police Crime Laboratory for testing.
- 2) Test results provided to the CPD by the laboratory, including but not limited to DNA test results and information about any drugs detected in urine or blood samples. If you request this information, it must be provided to you within 7 days of the CPD receiving the results from the laboratory. Your hospital issued K number and 6 digit PIN for your specific evidence will allow you or your designee to track the status of your evidence. If your K number is lost or misplaced, email CheckPointpin@chicagopolice.org. Please include your name, and Police Report R.D. Number in the email. **CheckPoint** can be accessed at <https://isp.illinois.gov/Forensics/SexualAssaultEvidence>.

If you have evidence collected but are unsure about allowing law enforcement to test the evidence, the evidence will be stored by the Chicago Police Department (CPD) for 10 years from today's date, or until your 28th birthday if you are under the age of 18. If you do not sign a written consent to release the evidence for testing prior to discharge from the hospital, you will have 10 years to decide to be tested. If you do decide to have it tested anytime within the 10 year period, you may contact the CPD Forensic Services Division at (312) 746-6740 to request that the evidence be tested. Additionally, you may request to be notified prior to the destruction of the evidence at the end of the 10 year storage period by contacting the detective assigned to your case. You or your designee must keep the CPD informed of the current contact information to whom information should be provided. The evidence collected will not be used to prosecute you for any offense related to the use of alcohol, cannabis, or a controlled substance.

Investigations:

If a Detective does not meet with you at your home, the station, or hospital, he/she will contact you within 3-5 business days of filing the initial police report. Per 725 ILCS 203/20(e), a victim of sexual assault or abuse shall not be required to submit to an interview. Nevertheless, a report will be completed. If the incident reported to the Chicago Police Department occurred outside of Chicago, the below-listed agency will investigate:

Law Enforcement Agency Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

CIVIL NO CONTACT ORDERS / ORDERS OF PROTECTION

Victims of sexual conduct or assault may petition for a Civil No Contact Order (CNCO) or Order of Protection (OOP) that can order the offender to have no contact with you and stay away from you and away from specific locations, including your residence, your work, or a school you both attend. **A person who violates a CNCO or OOP can be arrested.** The CNCO or OOP can be obtained in the criminal case or in civil court at the courthouse at 555 West Harrison St. in Chicago, between 8:30 am and 2:30 pm. There are no fees for the person requesting the order. While you can obtain a CNCO or OOP on your own, it is best done with the assistance of an advocate or attorney.

SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE FOR CHILDREN

If you suspect a child is being abused or neglected, please call the: **DCFS Hotline 1-800-25-ABUSE**
For specialized child and family counseling or advocacy services please call:

- **YWCA of Metropolitan Chicago RISE Children's Center** 312-733-2102
- **Children's Advocacy Center** 312-492-3700

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