# Sexual Assault Forensic Examination (SAFE) Program



Missouri Department of Public Safety
OFFICE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME

#### **Notice**

The following presentation is for reference and guidance only.

It is designed to answer frequently asked questions about claim submission and eligibility requirements for the reimbursement of sexual assault forensic exams.

The information in this presentation is based on Missouri statute 595.220 RSMo and rules and regulations 11 CSR 30-12.010.

# **Purpose**

To reimburse eligible medical providers for charges incurred while performing a forensic exam to gather evidence of the crime from persons who have been victims of sexual assault in Missouri.

# **Eligibility Requirements**

- Crime must have occurred in Missouri or, if unknown, the patient must be a Missouri resident
- Medical providers must submit claims for reimbursement to the SAFE Program within 90 days of the forensic exam

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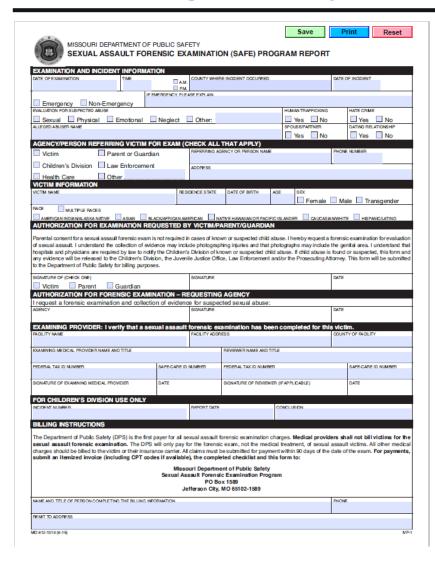
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- Claim documents:
  - 1. SAFE Program Report
  - 2. Procedural checklist
  - 3. Itemized billing statement

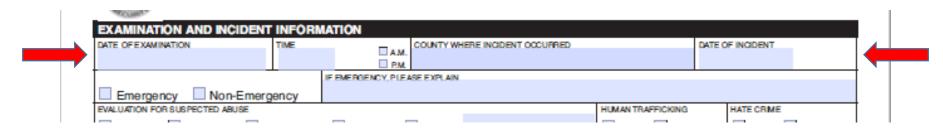
### **SAFE Program Report**



#### Available at dps.mo.gov

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#### **Emergency vs. Non-emergency**



- ➤ ONLY applies to patients age 0-13 years
- Emergency forensic exam An examination of a person age 0-13 years that occurs within 5 days of the alleged sexual offense
  - Requires one emergency reason
    - Transfer of trace biological material
    - Child at risk of pregnancy
    - Child complains of pain in the genital or anal area
    - Evidence or complaint of anogenital bleeding or injury
- Non-emergency forensic exam An examination of a person age 0-13 years that occurs more than 5 days after the alleged sexual offense
  - Requires signature of SAFE-CARE provider who either performed or reviewed exam

#### **SAFE-CARE** Provider

#### Sexual assault forensic examination - child abuse resource education

"SAFE-CARE provider", a physician, advanced practice nurse, or physician's assistant licensed in this state who provides medical diagnosis and treatment to children suspected of being victims of abuse and who receives:

- (a) Missouri-based initial intensive training regarding child maltreatment from the SAFE CARE network;
- (b) Ongoing update training on child maltreatment from the SAFE CARE network;
- (c) Peer review and new provider mentoring regarding the forensic evaluation of children suspected of being victims of abuse from the SAFE CARE network;

SAFE-CARE provider training is conducted through the SAFE-CARE Network by Missouri KidsFirst and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services.

#### Required signatures

- ➤ Victim, parent, or guardian consenting to the forensic exam, or if not available or if verbal consent, then the agency requesting the exam
- ➤ Medical provider performing the forensic exam
- > If applicable, SAFE-CARE provider reviewing the forensic exam
  - Only for a non-emergency exam on a child age 0-13 years if exam was not performed by a SAFE-CARE provider

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☐ Victim ☐ Parent ☐ Guardian		A IL	DATE
<b>AUTHORIZATION FOR FORENSIC EXAMINATI</b>	ION - REQUES	TING AGENCY	·
I request a forensic examination and collection of	f evidence for su	uspected sexual abuse:	
AGENCY		RE	DATE
EXAMINING PROVIDER: I verify that a sexual	assault forens	ic examination has been comple	eted for this victim.
FACILITY NAME		ADDRESS	COUNTY OF FACILITY
EXAMINING MEDICAL PROVIDER NAME AND TITLE		REVIEWER NAME AND TITLE	
FEDERAL TAX ID NUMBER SAF	FE-CARE ID NUMBER	FEDERAL TAX ID NUMBER	SAFE-CARE ID NUMBER
SIGNATURE OF EXAMINING MEDICAL PROVIDER DAT	TE	SIGNATURE OF REVIEWER (IF APPLICA	ABLE) DATE





#### **Procedural checklist**

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (DPS)				
SEXUAL ASSAULT FOR ENSIC EXAMINATION CHECKLIST				
Check all items as provided during the sexual assault forensic exam.				
Utilized appropriate evidence collection kit (Kansas City, St. Louis or Highway Patrol Lab)				
Completed screening exam for Emergency Medical Condition				
Activated bedside advocacy				
Activated interpreter Interventions for disabilities				
Obtained history of assault (including narrative)				
Obtained history of drug facilitated sexual assaut (f indicated)				
Obtained consent for evaluation and treatment				
Obtained consent for evidentiary SAFE exam				
Obtained consent for photography				
Obtained consent for drug screening (if drug facilitated assault indicated)				
Obtained consent for release of information to all appropriate agencies				
Obtained consent for law enforcement activation (per patient request)  Collected urine for drug facilitated sexual assault				
Collected underwear worn during or immediately after the assault				
Collected cothing, as forensically indicated, in brown paper bags, sealed and labeled				
Obtained swabs & smears from all areas that victim states were bitten or licked				
Obtained swabs & smears from appropriate areas as identified using an alternative light source				
Collected blood standard (if forensically indicated)				
Utilized crime scene investigators for bite mark impressions (if forensically indicated)				
Collected onal swab for DNA Standard (if forensically indicated)  Collected onal swabs & smear (if onally assaulted)				
Collected on a swate a smear (if orany assumed)  Collected anal swates & smear if forensically indicated)				
Collected vaginal swabs & smear (# forensically indicated)				
Collected cervical swabs & smear (if forensically indicated)				
Collected penile swabs & smear (if forensically indicated)				
Collected head hair standard (if forensically indicated)				
Collected pubic hair standard (if forensically indicated)				
Completed toluidine dye exam (if forensically indicated)  Completed X-rays (if indicated)				
Completed CTs (if indicated)				
Collected unknown sample(s) (if forensically indicated)				
Describe:				
Collected fingernal scrapings (if forensically indicated)				
Photography: (with colposcope or digital) Genital photography by forensic examiner				
Non-genital photography by forensic examiner  Non-genital photography by forensic examiner				
Less than 10 photos				
More than 10 photos				
Forensic evidence storage/log (as indicated)				
Completion of DHSS Adult Fernale Sexual Assault Exam Form, Adult Male Sexual Assault Exam Form, or Child Sexual Assault Exam				
Form				
Confidential forensic patient file separate from general hospital medical records  Forensic exam conducted by forensically trained physician or healthcare provider such as Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE)				
Labs				
Chlamydia				
Gonorhea				
Pregnancy test				
Trichomonas				
Urinalysis Urine Culture				
Drug Screening				
Forensic exam and genital exam without colposcope				
Forensic exam without genital exam				
<ul> <li>Federal Violence Against Women Act prohibits mandatory reporting to law enforcement to obtain services.</li> </ul>				
Resources:				
U.S. Department of Justice, National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations (9/04)				
Evaluation and Management of the Sexually Assaulted or Sexually Abused Patient, American College of Emergency Physicians (6/99)				

Indicate each procedure performed during the forensic exam.

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## Procedural checklist – drug facilitated

Check all items as provided during the sexual assault forensic exam.	
Utilized appropriate evidence collection kit (Kansas City, St. Louis or Highway Patrol Lab)  Completed screening exam for Emergency Medical Condition  Activated bedside advocacy  Activated interpreter  Interventions for disabilities	
Obtained history of assault (including narrative)  Obtained history of drug facilitated sexual assault (if indicated)  Obtained consent for evaluation and treatment  Obtained consent for evidentiary SAFE exam	Dr
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Labs Chlamydia Gonorrhea Pregnancy test Trichomonas Urinalysis Urine Culture Drug Screening	fa
Forensic exam and genital exam without colposcope	

Drug screen testing for patients age 14 years or older is only eligible if a drugfacilitated crime is indicated.

# Itemized billing statement

#### Must include:

- Patient name
- Account number
- Diagnosis codes
  - > Common codes include, but are not limited to:
    - T74.21XA Adult sexual abuse, confirmed
    - > T74.22XA Child sexual abuse, confirmed
    - > T76.21XA Adult sexual abuse, suspected
    - > T76.22XA Child sexual abuse, suspected
    - > Z04.41 Observation following alleged adult rape or seduction
    - > Z04.42 Observation following alleged child rape or seduction
- Facility name and remit to address
- Forensic exam charges including description and cost

# Reimbursable forensic charges

#### > Facility fee

> Emergency room or clinic visit

#### Professional fee

➤ Eligible medical provider who performs forensic exam and, if appropriate, the SAFE-CARE provider who reviewed the exam

#### > Lab fees

- > Dependent upon age of patient and if crime was drug-facilitated
  - Age 0-13 years: STD, HIV, pregnancy, or drug screen
  - Age 14+ years: drug screen only if drug facilitated

#### **Reimbursement Limits**

- > Hospitals
  - Up to \$900 (includes facility and professional fees)
- Clinics / Child Advocacy Centers
  - Up to \$650 (includes facility and professional fees)
- > Labs
  - Up to \$200
    (for exams conducted at either hospital, clinic/CAC or a separate facility)

# **Unallowable charges**

- ➤ Charges for medical treatment of any injuries or health concerns, including but not limited to:
  - > Testing for STD or HIV (unless patient is under age 14)
  - Treatment/prophylaxis of STD or HIV
  - > Antibiotics / immunizations
  - Pregnancy testing (unless patient is under age 14)
  - Emergency contraception
  - Wound care / laceration repair
  - > Fractures / sprain treatment
  - Surgical procedures
  - Discharge instructions or outpatient follow-up

# **SAFE Program**

# Primary payor for forensic exam charges

- Health insurance carrier may be billed as secondary
- Forensic exam charges may NOT be billed to the patient
- Medical treatment charges may be billed to the patient
  - Refer patient to the Crime Victims' Compensation Program

Website: dps.mo.gov

Email: cvc@dps.mo.gov

Phone: 1-800-347-6881

# **Questions?**



# **Child Physical Abuse Forensic Examination (CPAFE) Program**



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#### **Notice**

Guidance for the CPAFE Program is based on

Missouri statute 334.950.1 RSMo and rules and regulations 11 CSR 30-12.020

# **Purpose**

The CPAFE Program was established to cover the cost of the professional fee for SAFE-CARE providers who

- ➤ Perform a forensic exam to collect or preserve evidence on children age 0-17 years who have been a victim of alleged abuse or
- Provide a case review
  - Defined as a written record review or evaluation of previously gathered photographs, medical records and investigative information provided by a multi-disciplinary team

# **Eligibility Requirements**

- Crime must have occurred in Missouri or, if unknown, the patient must be a Missouri resident
- Patient must be age 17 years or younger
- Only child physical abuse is covered
- Claims must be submitted to the CPAFE Program within 90 days of the forensic exam or the case review

Email: SAFE-CPAFE@dps.mo.gov

Fax: (573) 526-4940 Mail: PO Box 1589

Jefferson City, MO 65102

- Claim documents include:
  - > CPAFE Program claim form
  - Itemized billing statement

#### **CPAFE** claim form

			Save	Print	Reset	
MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY CHILD PHYSICAL ABUSE FORENSIC EXAMINATION						
PATIENT INFORMATION		DATE OF BIRTH	AGE GENDER			
		DATE OF BRITIS		Female T	ransgender	
RACE						
Multiple Races Black/African American						
American Indian/Naska Native Asian Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Caucasian/White Hispanic/Latino						
CONSENT FOR FORENSIC EXAMINATION						
I hereby request a forensic examination for evaluation of suspected physical abuse. I understand the collection of evidence may include photographing injuries and that photographs may include the genital area.						
I further understand that hospitals and physi-						
child abuse is found or suspected, this form Enforcement and/or the Prosecuting Attorne						
SIGNATURE OF (CHECK ONE)	SIGNATURE		,	DATE		
Patient Parent Guardian						
AUTHORIZATION FOR FORENSIC EXAMI	NATION BY REQUESTIN	NG AGENCY				
I request a forensic examination be perform	ed on the above patient w	vho is suspected o	f being the victim of	physical abuse.		
NAMEAND AGENCY (PLEASE PRINT)		SIGNATURE		DATE		
INCIDENT AND EXAMINATION INFORMAT	TION					
DATE OF ABUSE. COUNTY WHERE ABUSE OCCURRED						
DATE OF EXAM TIME OF EXAM AGE	NOWPERSON REFERRING WOTH	M PORIEXAM PHONE NUMBER			I.R	
AGENCY INFORMATION FOR ABUSE REPORTING						
1. MO Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline (800-392-3738) 2. Children's Division (hotline previously notified)		NAME OF AGENCY ABUSE, REPORTED TO				
3. Law enforcement		INCIDENT REPORT NU	VDER	REPORT DATE		
4. Juvenile authorities 5. Other						
MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL PERFORMING	FORENSIC EXAMINAT					
NAME OF MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL (PLEASE PRINT)		TITLECREDENTIALS		Yes		
SIGNATURE		DATE	FEDERALTAX ID NUMBER	SAFE-CARE ID		
SAFE-CARE PROVIDER PERFORMING C. NAME OF SAFE-CARE PROVIDER (PLEASE PRINT)	ASE REVIEW	TITLECREDENTIALS		SAFE-CARE P	OMOTO?	
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SIGNATURE		DATE	PEDERAL TAX ID NUMBER	SAFE-CARE ID	NUMBER	
BILLING INSTRUCTIONS						
The Department of Public Safety (DPS) is the first payer for all forensic examinations performed on children under the age of eighteen (18) who are suspected of being the victim of physical abuse. DPS will only pay for the professional charges incurred from performing the forensic						
exam or the record review of the forensic exam. Charges such as medical procedures, facility fees, supplies or laboratory/radiology tests are						
not eligible for reimbursement and should be billed to the patient or their insurance carrier. All claims must be received by DPS within ninety						
(90) days of the date of the forensic exam. In order to receive payment, submit this completed form along with an itemized billing invoice which includes a detailed description of the procedures performed along with the payment remit to address to:						
which includes a detailed description of the procedures performed along with the payment remit to address to:  Missouri Department of Public Safety						
Child Physical Abuse Forensic Examination Program						
PO Box 1589						
Jefferson City, MO 65102-1589						
BILLING CONTACT PERSON (PLEASE PRINT)		TIME		PHONE NUMB	I.R	
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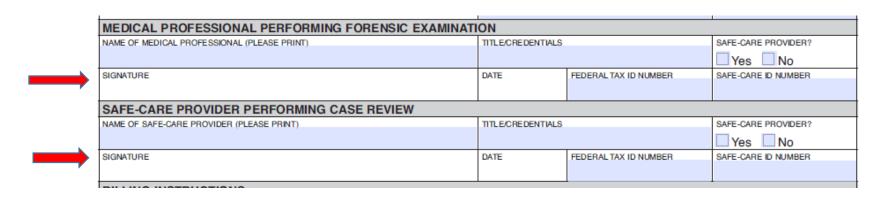
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### Required signatures

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Patient Parent Guardian	AMINATION BY	REQUESTING AGENCY	

## Required signatures, con't



- Medical professional or SAFE-CARE provider performing the forensic exam
- SAFE-CARE provider who reviews forensic exam or performs a case review

# **Itemized billing statement**

#### Must include:

- Patient name
- Account number
- Diagnosis codes
  - Common codes include but are not limited to:
    - T74.12XA Child physical abuse, confirmed
    - > T74.4XXA Shaken baby syndrome
    - > T74.92XA Other child abuse and neglect
    - > T76.12XA Child physical abuse, suspected
    - > T76.92XA Child abuse, unspecified
    - ➤ Z04.72 Abuse and neglect
    - Z04.8 Observation following other inflicted injury
- Facility name and remit to address
- Description and cost of service

#### Reimbursement

#### Professional fee for SAFE-CARE provider ONLY

- Performance of forensic exam
  - Up to \$750
- > Review of forensic exam or case review
  - Up to \$400

# **CPAFE Program**

The SAFE-CARE provider's professional fee should NOT be billed to the patient's parent, guardian or health insurance.

11 CSR 30-12.020 (8)

# **SAFE or CPAFE Program**

If the patient is a victim of both sexual assault and child physical abuse, only one claim per crime event may be reimbursed.

11 CSR 30-12.020 (11)

## **Program Guideline Comparison**

MISSOURI CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION PROGRAM				
GUIDELINES FOR PROVIDERS (effective 5/1/2020)				
SAFE-Provider Based	CPAFE-Provider Based	CVC-Victim Based		
SAFE claims can only be submitted by providers.	CPAFE claims can only be submitted by providers.	The CVC is victim-based and operates separate and apart from SAFE and CPAFE.		
Providers submitting a SAFE claim for consideration <b>must</b> include the following:	Providers submitting a CPAFE claim for consideration <b>must</b> include the following:	Providers may send an itemized bill to the CVC program per the victim and/or claimant's request.		
a Sexual Assault Forensic Exam (SAFE) Program Report; and,     a Sexual Assault Forensic Exam) (SAFE) Procedural Checklist; and     an Itemized Bill.	a Child Physical Abuse Forensic Exam (CPAFE) Form; and     an Itemized Bill.	Providers submitting information for consideration related to a CVC claim <b>must</b> include the following:  1. the CVC assigned case number (i.e., CV2020-XXXX); 2. the first and last name of the		
NOTE: The completed Form 1500 or Form UB-04 may serve as the itemized bill, but will not be accepted if not accompanied by items 1-3 above.	NOTE: The completed Form 1500 may serve as the itemized bill, but will not be accepted if not accompanied by both items noted above.	victim; 3. the victims date of birth; and 4. the Itemized Bill  If the CVC assigned case number is		
SAFE claims are due no later than 90 days from the date of service.	CPAFE claims are due no later than 90 days from the date of service.	unknown, the provider can request up to 10 case numbers by emailing the <a href="mailto:cvc@dps.mo.qov">cvc@dps.mo.qov</a> . The request must include the first and last name of the victim and the date of birth.		
		NOTE: The Form 1500 or the Form UB-04 form <u>DOES NOT</u> qualify as an itemized bill for the CVC program and will not be accepted.		
Completed SAFE claims can be mailed to SAFE, PO Box 1589, Jefferson City, MO 65101 ATTN: SAFE or emailed to SAFE-CPAFE@dps.mo.qov or faxed to 573/526-4940	Completed CPAFE claims can be mailed to CPAFE, PO Box 1589, Jefferson City, MO 65101 ATTN: SAFE or emailed to SAFE-CPAFE@dps.mo.qov or faxed to 573/526-4940	Itemized bills for CVC claims or requests for assigned CVC numbers and can be mailed to CVC, PO Box 1589, Jefferson City, MO 65101 ATTN: CVC or emailed to cvc@dps.mo.qov or faxed to 573/526-4940		
CRIME VICTIMS' COMPENSATION  For more information or to request training/ technical assistance for your agency, please contact the Crime Victims' Compensation Program at <a href="mailto:cvc@dps.mo.qov">cvc@dps.mo.qov</a> or 573/526-6006				

The CVC, SAFE and CPAFE Programs are not insurance programs and should not be considered as such in billing processes. Eligibility is based on specific crime events only.

#### For More Information

SAFE or CPAFE Programs
P.O. Box 1589
Jefferson City, MO 65102-1589

E-mail: SAFE-CPAFE@dps.mo.gov

Website: www.dps.mo.gov

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# **Questions?**

