

2025 Regional Sexual Assault Response Plan

OPH Region 4

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I. Preface

During the 2015 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, Act No. 229 was enacted. The legislation provided relative to the examination, treatment and billing of survivors of a sexually-oriented criminal offense. Included in Act 229 was the requirement that the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH), through the medical directors of each of its nine regional health service districts, coordinate and submit an annual sexual assault response plan for each district to the LDH Secretary by November 1 of each year. In 2024, an extension was granted with a revised deadline for submission of February 1, 2025.

The LDH Office of Public Health (OPH) Region 4 serves the parishes of Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, and Vermilion.

II. Regional Sexual Assault Response Plan Components

This Region 4 Sexual Assault Response Plan addresses the minimum statutory mandates of LA R.S. 40:1216.1 (<https://legis.la.gov/legis/law.aspx?d=965154>).

- Inventory and incorporation of available resources and infrastructure
- Purchase and storage of sexual assault collection kits
- Standards and procedures for a survivor to receive a forensic medical examination to ensure access to such an examination in every parish
- Standards and procedures for handling and payment of medical bills related to the forensic medical examination
- Standards and procedures for the timely transfer of sexual assault collection kits

Plan Component 1

“Provide an inventory of all available resources and existing infrastructure in the region and clearly outline how the resources and infrastructure will be incorporated in the most effective manner.”

In addition to hospitals or healthcare providers designated by this regional plan and coroners within Region 4 (*Appendix A. Lead Entity for Sexual Assault Examinations*), a coordinated system of SANEs (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners) may be employed to perform the Forensic Medical Examination (FME) when available. This system may be employed in any individual parish or region-wide.

The Lafayette Parish Coroner's Office (LPCO) is establishing a regional SANE program with the goal of expanding SANE coverage to all interested parishes within Region 4. The LPCO SANE Coordinator, Tonya Suire, will update the regional stakeholders on progress of program development and access to SANE services and may be reached at tsuire@LafayetteLA.gov.

Hearts of Hope (HOH) will maintain SANE services on an on-call basis at the Hearts of Hope location at 911 General Mouton Ave., Lafayette, La., if there are no disqualifying conditions or circumstances. The HOH Survivor Advocate will assist the patient with obtaining SANE and kit collection services through Hearts of Hope, the Lafayette Parish Coroner's Office, or hospital personnel.

HOH's list of disqualifying conditions/circumstances for on-site FME at HOH; must be referred to ED:

- Reported strangulation
- Pregnancy
- Danger to self or others or under the influence of drugs/alcohol
- Family conflict or significant mental health issue
- Any injuries that require a diagnostic workup
- Significant bleeding from vaginal or anorectal area

Appendix B: Regional Resources and Existing Infrastructure.

Plan Component 2

“Clearly outline the entity responsible for the purchase of sexual assault collection kits and the standards and procedures for the storage of the kits, prior to use in a forensic medical examination.”

Sexual assault collection kits used by the physicians, SANEs, or hospitals in Region 4 when providing forensic medical examinations to survivors of a sexually-oriented criminal offense must meet the standards and requirements developed by the LDH and the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections (DPSC).

In Region 4, hospital emergency departments and other facilities where FMEs may be conducted are responsible for obtaining and securely storing the sexual assault collection kits. Considering the new Louisiana State Police Sexual Assault Kit (SAK) Tracking System, it is preferred that facilities in Region 4 use the newly created *“State of Louisiana Physical Evidence Recovery Kit, Sexual Assault Kit”* that is available at no cost to facilities throughout Louisiana.

These kits can be obtained by contacting the Louisiana State Police (LSP) Crime Lab, SAK Tracking Program SAKTracking@la.gov, 225-925-7855. Additionally, Region 4 partners may contact the Lafayette Parish Coroner's Office SANE Coordinator, Tonya Suire, at tsuire@LafayetteLA.gov for assistance in obtaining the State of Louisiana Physical Evidence Recovery Kit, Sexual Assault Kit.

Facilities that are using the Hearts of Hope (HOH) Sexual Assault Collection Kits must ensure that a LSP SAK code/tracking number is assigned to each kit collected.

Plan Component 3

“Clearly outline the standards and procedures for a survivor to receive a forensic medical examination, as defined in R.S. 15:622, to ensure access to such an examination in every parish. The plan shall designate a hospital or healthcare provider to be the lead entity for sexual assault examinations for adult survivors and a hospital or healthcare provider to be the lead entity for sexual assault examinations for pediatric survivors. The plan shall also include specific details directing first responders in the transport of survivors of a sexually-oriented crime, the appropriate party to perform the forensic medical examination, and any required training for a person performing a forensic medical examination.”

Appendix A. Lead Entity for Sexual Assault Examinations designations for the seven parishes of Region 4.

In Region 4, all licensed hospitals and healthcare providers shall adhere to the following Sexual Assault Response Team Protocols should an individual present themselves (or is presented) for treatment as a survivor of a sexually-oriented criminal offense. All licensed hospitals and healthcare providers must also meet all other required components of LA R.S. 40:1216.1 (<https://legis.la.gov/legis/law.aspx?d=965154>).

1. All sexual assault survivors shall be examined and treated, without undue delay, in a private space required to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the survivor by a qualified healthcare provider.
2. All survivors shall be offered an advocate, if one is available, whose communications are privileged. LA R.S. 46:2187. In accordance with the Sexual Assault Survivor Bill of Rights, “The right to be notified of the ability to request the presence of a sexual assault advocate before the administration of a forensic medical examination or a scheduled interview by a law enforcement official if a sexual assault advocate is reasonably available.”
LA R.S. 46:1845

With the consent of the survivor, an advocate shall remain in the examination room during the forensic medical examination.

Access to Advocates in Region 4:

Acadia, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Martin, and Vermilion parishes: When a sexual assault survivor, pediatric or adult, presents to the Emergency Department, the hospital personnel shall call the Hearts of Hope crisis line at 337-233-7273, and

a Survivor Advocate will be dispatched to the emergency department. A Survivor Advocate will be dispatched to emergency departments for all cases, 24 hours a day, in Lafayette, Iberia, St. Martin, and Vermilion parishes. Survivor Advocates are available through Hearts of Hope during regular office hours to Acadia Parish and tele-advocacy available for Acadia after hours. Hearts of Hope business hours are Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Evangeline and St. Landry Parishes:

Adult (18 years and older) survivor: Hospital personnel shall call the St. Landry Evangeline Sexual Assault Center (SLESAC) crisis line at 337-585-4673 to access advocacy services.

3. The survivor shall make the decision of whether or not the incident will be reported to law enforcement officials. No hospital or healthcare provider shall require the person to report the incident in order to receive medical attention or collect evidence.

Exceptions: If a person under the age of 18 presents himself or herself (or is presented) for treatment as a sexual assault survivor, the hospital or healthcare provider shall immediately notify the appropriate law enforcement official to fulfill any mandatory reporting obligations by law.

If the survivor is physically or mentally incapable of making the decision to report, the hospital or healthcare provider shall immediately notify the appropriate law enforcement officials.

Acute and chronic child sexual abuse should be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency and the Department of Child and Family Services (DCFS). To report alleged or suspected abuse that requires immediate attention, call toll-free 1-855-4LA-KIDS (855-452-5437).

If the healthcare provider suspects that an adult survivor is at risk of abuse, neglect, exploitation or extortion they should report to law enforcement and:

- Adult Protective Services for people 18-59 years (including adults with disabilities) or emancipated minors: 800-898-4910
- Elderly Protective Services for people 60 years or older: 833-577-6532

4. Reported Cases: If the survivor wishes to report the incident to law enforcement officials, the hospital staff or healthcare provider shall contact the appropriate law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the location where the crime occurred. If the location where the crime occurred cannot be determined, the hospital or healthcare provider shall contact the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the location where the forensic medical examination is performed to determine the appropriate investigating agency.

Unreported Cases: If the survivor does not wish to report the incident to law enforcement officials, the hospital or healthcare provider shall, upon completion of the FME, contact the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the location where the forensic medical examination was performed to transfer possession of the unreported sexual assault collection kit for storage. The unreported sexual assault collection kit shall not be identified or labeled with the survivor's identifying information. The hospital or healthcare provider shall maintain a record of the sexual assault collection kit number in the survivor's record that shall be used for identification should the survivor later choose to report the incident. The law enforcement agency shall not destroy or dispose of an unreported sexual assault collection kit for a period of at least 20 years after the forensic medical examination was performed.

5. Examination and treatment, including the forensic medical examination, shall be adapted as necessary to address the unique needs and circumstances of each survivor. With the consent of the survivor, the examination and treatment of all sexual assault survivors shall, at minimum, include:
 - Examination of physical trauma;
 - A patient interview, including medical history, triage, and consultation;
 - Collection and evaluation of evidence, including, but not limited to, photographic documentation, preservation and maintenance of chain of custody, and medical specimen collection;
 - When determined necessary by the healthcare provider, an alcohol or drug facilitated sexual assault assessment and toxicology screen;
 - Any testing related to the sexual assault or recommended by the healthcare provider; and
 - Any medication provided during the FME which may include emergency contraception and HIV and STI prophylaxis.

Emergency Contraception LA R.S. 40:1216.1 (8)

- The survivor shall be provided with information about emergency contraception, which shall be developed and made available electronically to all licensed hospitals in this state by LDH.
- The treating healthcare provider shall inform the survivor of the option to be provided emergency contraception at the hospital or healthcare facility, and, upon the completion of a pregnancy test yielding a negative result, shall provide emergency contraception upon the request of the survivor.

Transportation of Sexual Assault Survivors

- 911 Dispatch: An emergency medical unit and/or law enforcement unit will be dispatched per dispatch protocols for callers who report sexual assault.
- EMS First Responders: All sexual assault survivors should be transported to the nearest medical facility in each parish where medical screening and forensic sexual assault evidence exams are performed, unless injury severity dictates otherwise or the patient chooses a different facility in the region. *Appendix A.*

Lead Entity for Sexual Assault Examinations. Appendix B. Regional Resources and Existing Infrastructure.

- Law Enforcement: All sexual assault patients should be transported to the nearest medical facility in each parish where medical screening and forensic sexual assault evidence exams are performed, unless injury severity dictates otherwise. *Appendix A. Lead Entity for Sexual Assault Examinations. Appendix B. Regional Resources and Existing Infrastructure.*

Appropriate party to perform the forensic medical examination and any required training for a person performing a forensic medical examination.

"Healthcare provider" means either of the following:

- A physician, sexual assault nurse examiner, or other healthcare practitioner licensed, certified, registered, or otherwise authorized and trained to perform a forensic medical examination.
- A facility or institution providing healthcare services, including, but not limited to, a hospital or other licensed inpatient center, ambulatory surgical or treatment center, skilled nursing facility, inpatient hospice facility, residential treatment center, diagnostic, laboratory, or imaging center, or rehabilitation or other therapeutic health settings.

Record Requests

- Upon request of a competent adult survivor of a sexually-oriented criminal offense, the healthcare provider that performed the forensic medical exam shall provide a reproduction of any written documentation that is in the possession of the healthcare provider resulting from the forensic medical exam of the survivor.
- The documentation shall be provided to the survivor no later than 14 days after the healthcare provider receives the request or the healthcare provider completes the documentation, whichever is later.
- The reproduction of written documentation provided for in this subsection shall be made available at no cost to the survivor and may only be released at the direction of the survivor who is a competent adult.

LA R.S. 40:1216.1 G.

Plan Component 4

“Clearly outline the standards and procedures for the handling and payment of medical bills related to the forensic medical examination to clarify and ensure that those standards and procedures are in compliance with this Section and any other applicable section of law.”

Every hospital and healthcare provider shall provide a copy of a pamphlet, developed by LDH, to the survivor which includes an explanation of the billing process for services rendered.

All hospitals and healthcare providers in Region 4 shall develop billing policies according to state and federal laws for the handling and payment of medical bills related to the forensic medical examination to ensure compliance with applicable Louisiana Law.

No hospital or healthcare provider shall directly or indirectly bill a survivor of a sexually-oriented criminal offense for any healthcare services rendered in conducting a forensic medical examination, as provided for in LA R.S. 15:622. Claims for reimbursement, with or without the consent of the survivor, are NOT allowed to be submitted to the survivor's health insurance issuer. *LA R.S. 40:1216.1.*

The healthcare provider who performed the forensic medical exam and the healthcare facility shall submit a claim for payment for conducting a forensic medical exam directly to the Crime Survivor Reparations Board, to be paid in strict accordance with the provisions of LA R.S. 46:1822. Providers should use the following form and instructions for submission of a claim: https://lcle.la.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/LA_CVR_FME_Reimbursement-08-23-2023.pdf

Plan Component 5

“Clearly outline the standards and procedures for the transfer of sexual assault collection kits pursuant to this Section and any other applicable section of law.”

Pursuant to Act 193 (2023 Legislative Session), all healthcare providers having custody of sexual assault collection kits shall provide all required information to the tracking system implemented by the state police and fully participate in the system.

Hospitals and healthcare providers will coordinate the transfer of the evidence with the law enforcement agency in a manner designed to protect its evidentiary integrity.

The appropriate law enforcement agency shall retrieve from the hospital or healthcare provider evidence as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving notification from the hospital or healthcare provider that evidence collection is completed. However, no sexual assault collection kit shall remain at a hospital or facility, if the hospital or facility is unable to store the kit in a secure location that ensures proper chain of custody. *LA R.S. 15:624.1*

Reported cases: Within 30 days of receiving a sexual assault collection kit for a reported case, the criminal justice agency shall submit the sexual assault collection kit to a forensic laboratory for testing. *ACT No. 193 Amendments to LA R.S. 15:623(A).*

Unreported cases: Evidence shall remain with the law enforcement agency that assumed custody. The law enforcement agency shall not destroy or dispose of an unreported sexual assault collection kit for a period of at least 20 years after the forensic medical examination was performed.

Region 4 stakeholders continue to work towards improving the regional response for survivors of sexually-oriented criminal offenses. This plan will be revised based on outcomes of these collaborative efforts.

Coroners' Signature Page

III. Coroners' Signature Page

Pursuant to Act 354 of the 2024 Louisiana Legislature, by my signature below, I hereby state that I shall implement, fulfill, and comply with all obligations, duties and requirements imposed on me by LSA R.S. 40:1216.1 and by the Region 4 Regional Sexual Assault Response Plan.

Acadia Parish

Dr. Mark Dawson

Date:

Mark Dawson MD
1-24-2025

Evangeline Parish

Dr. Thomas Fontenot

Date:

Thomas Y Fontenot
1-30-25

Iberia Parish

Dr. Timothy Viator

Date:

Timothy A. Viator
1/30/25

Lafayette Parish

Dr. Kenneth Odinet

Date:

Kenneth Odinet
1/30/25

St. Landry Parish

Dr. Zeb Stearns

Date:

Zeb Stearns
1/29/25

St. Martin Parish

Dr. Warren Degatur, Jr.

Date:

Warren Degatur Jr
1-29-25

Vermilion Parish

Dr. Myriam Hutchinson

Date:

Myriam Hutchinson
1/31/2025

III. Appendices

A. Lead Entity for Sexual Assault Examinations by Parish (Enclosed)

LEAD ENTITY(S) FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAMINATION

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF Acadia

As Coroner, I shall implement, fulfill, and comply with all obligations, duties, and requirements imposed upon me by R.S. 40:1216.1 and by the regional sexual assault response plan approved for the coroner's health service district pursuant thereto, which I shall annually sign to indicate approval pursuant to R.S. 40:1216.1 (E) (4).; La. Stat. Ann. & 13:5713 F;

That, Pursuant to LSA R.S. 40:1216.1 E (2) (c), for Acadia Parish, the above plan shall designate the following:

Lead Hospital(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

Orleans Acadian General Hospital

Lead Healthcare Provider(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

Same if Available

That, whether or not any designation above is made, every Emergency Room and Healthcare Provider located in Acadia Parish is designated as a possible provider of Forensic Medical Exams and that any Licensed Physician or duly licensed SANE nurse who performs a Forensic Medical Exam is designated as a Special Deputy Coroner for purposes of performing that exam.

X Marie Dum MD

Coroner

LEAD ENTITY(S) FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAMINATION

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF Iberia

As Coroner, I shall implement, fulfill, and comply with all obligations, duties, and requirements imposed upon me by R.S. 40:1216.1 and by the regional sexual assault response plan approved for the coroner's health service district pursuant thereto, which I shall annually sign to indicate approval pursuant to R.S. 40:1216.1 (E) (4); La. Stat. Ann. & 13:5713 F;

That, Pursuant to LSA R.S. 40:1216.1 E (2) (c), for Iberia Parish, the above plan shall designate the following:

Lead Hospital(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

Iberia Medical Center - Main or North ER

Lead Healthcare Provider(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

SANE - health care provider of choice if available

That, whether or not any designation above is made, every Emergency Room and Healthcare Provider located in Iberia Parish is designated as a possible provider of Forensic Medical Exams and that any Licensed Physician or duly licensed SANE nurse who performs a Forensic Medical Exam is designated as a Special Deputy Coroner for purposes of performing that exam.

X



Coroner

LEAD ENTITY(S) FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAMINATION

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF Franklinton

As Coroner, I shall implement, fulfill, and comply with all obligations, duties, and requirements imposed upon me by R.S. 40:1216.1 and by the regional sexual assault response plan approved for the coroner's health service district pursuant thereto, which I shall annually sign to indicate approval pursuant to R.S. 40:1216.1 (E) (4); La. Stat. Ann. & 13:5713 F;

That, Pursuant to LSA R.S. 40:1216.1 E (2) (c), for Franklinton Parish, the above plan shall designate the following:

Lead Hospital(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

Mary Regional Medical Center
Savoy Medical Center

Lead Healthcare Provider(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

SANE if available

That, whether or not any designation above is made, every Emergency Room and Healthcare Provider located in Franklinton Parish is designated as a possible provider of Forensic Medical Exams and that any Licensed Physician or duly licensed SANE nurse who performs a Forensic Medical Exam is designated as a Special Deputy Coroner for purposes of performing that exam.

X J. G. Ford
Coroner

LEAD ENTITY(S) FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAMINATION

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF Lafayette

As Coroner, I shall implement, fulfill, and comply with all obligations, duties, and requirements imposed upon me by R.S. 40:1216.1 and by the regional sexual assault response plan approved for the coroner's health service district pursuant thereto, which I shall annually sign to indicate approval pursuant to R.S. 40:1216.1 (E) (4).; La. Stat. Ann. & 13:5713 F;

That, Pursuant to LSA R.S. 40:1216.1 E (2) (c), for Lafayette Parish, the above plan shall designate the following:

Lead Hospital(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

Our Lady of Lourdes system in Lat Parish
Ochsner Hospital system in Lat Parish

Lead Healthcare Provider(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

SANE Services if available

That, whether or not any designation above is made, every Emergency Room and Healthcare Provider located in Lafayette Parish is designated as a possible provider of Forensic Medical Exams and that any Licensed Physician or duly licensed SANE nurse who performs a Forensic Medical Exam is designated as a Special Deputy Coroner for purposes of performing that exam.

X 

Coroner

LEAD ENTITY(S) FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAMINATION

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF St. Landry Parish

As Coroner, I shall implement, fulfill, and comply with all obligations, duties, and requirements imposed upon me by R.S. 40:1216.1 and by the regional sexual assault response plan approved for the coroner's health service district pursuant thereto, which I shall annually sign to indicate approval pursuant to R.S. 40:1216.1 (E) (4).; La. Stat. Ann. & 13:5713 F;

That, Pursuant to LSA R.S. 40:1216.1 E (2) (c), for St. Landry Parish, the above plan shall designate the following:

Lead Hospital(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

Opelousas General Health System
Acadian Medical Center

Lead Healthcare Provider(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

SANE provider when available

That, whether or not any designation above is made, every Emergency Room and Healthcare Provider located in St. Landry Parish is designated as a possible provider of Forensic Medical Exams and that any Licensed Physician or duly licensed SANE nurse who performs a Forensic Medical Exam is designated as a Special Deputy Coroner for purposes of performing that exam;

X [Signature]

Coroner

LEAD ENTITY(S) FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAMINATION

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF St. Martin

As Coroner, I shall implement, fulfill, and comply with all obligations, duties, and requirements imposed upon me by R.S. 40:1216.1 and by the regional sexual assault response plan approved for the coroner's health service district pursuant thereto, which I shall annually sign to indicate approval pursuant to R.S. 40:1216.1 (E) (4); La. Stat. Ann. & 13:5713 F;

That, Pursuant to LSA R.S. 40:1216.1 E (2) (c), for St. Martin Parish, the above plan shall designate the following:

Lead Hospital(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

Ochsner St. Martin Hospital

Lead Healthcare Provider(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

SANE IF AVAILABLE

That, whether or not any designation above is made, every Emergency Room and Healthcare Provider located in St. Martin Parish is designated as a possible provider of Forensic Medical Exams and that any Licensed Physician or duly licensed SANE nurse who performs a Forensic Medical Exam is designated as a Special Deputy Coroner for purposes of performing that exam.

X Wade L. Jones

Coroner

LEAD ENTITY(S) FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAMINATION

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF Vermilion

As Coroner, I shall implement, fulfill, and comply with all obligations, duties, and requirements imposed upon me by R.S. 40:1216.1 and by the regional sexual assault response plan approved for the coroner's health service district pursuant thereto, which I shall annually sign to indicate approval pursuant to R.S. 40:1216.1 (E) (4); La. Stat. Ann. & 13:5713 F;

That, Pursuant to LSA R.S. 40:1216.1 E (2) (c), for Vermilion Parish, the above plan shall designate the following:

Lead Hospital(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

Abbeville General Hospital, Oschner Abram Kaplan
Hospital

Lead Healthcare Provider(s) for Sexual Assault Exams of Adults and Minors:

Abbeville General Hospital, Oschner Abram Kaplan
Same is available (copy)

That, whether or not any designation above is made, every Emergency Room and Healthcare Provider located in Vermilion Parish is designated as a possible provider of Forensic Medical Exams and that any Licensed Physician or duly licensed SANE nurse who performs a Forensic Medical Exam is designated as a Special Deputy Coroner for purposes of performing that exam.

X [Signature]

Coroner

B. Regional Resources and Existing Infrastructure

Coroners

<i>Name</i>	<i>Jurisdiction</i>
Dr. Mark Dawson	Acadia Parish
Dr. Thomas Fontenot	Evangeline Parish
Dr. Timothy Viator	Iberia Parish
Dr. Kenneth Odinet	Lafayette Parish
Dr. Zeb Stearns	St. Landry Parish
Dr. Warren Degatur	St. Martin Parish
Dr. Myriam Hutchinson	Vermilion Parish

District Attorneys

<i>Name</i>	<i>District</i>	<i>Parishes Covered</i>
The Honorable Donald Landry	15 th JDC	Lafayette, Acadia, Vermilion
The Honorable Bo Duhe	16 th JDC	Iberia, St. Martin
The Honorable Chad Pitre	27 th JDC	St. Landry
The Honorable Trent Brignac	13 th JDC	Evangeline

Tier I Hospitals

<i>Parish</i>	<i>Hospital</i>
Acadia Parish	Ochsner Acadia General Hospital
	Acadia – St. Landry Hospital
Evangeline Parish	Mercy Regional Medical Center
	Savoy Medical Center
Iberia Parish	Iberia Medical Center North and Main Campuses
Lafayette Parish	Ochsner Lafayette General Medical Center
	Ochsner Lafayette General Orthopedic Hospital
	Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Medical Center
	Our Lady of Lourdes Woman’s and Children’s Hospital
	Ochsner University Hospital and Clinics
	Our Lady of Lourdes Heart Hospital of Lafayette
St. Landry Parish	Opelousas General Health System, Main Campus
	Opelousas General Health, South Campus
	Acadian Medical Center
St. Martin Parish	Ochsner St. Martin Hospital
Vermilion Parish	Ochsner Abrom Kaplan Memorial Hospital
	Abbeville General Hospital

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Providers

<i>Name</i>	<i>Parishes Covered</i>
Acadian Ambulance	Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, Vermilion
Med Express	Acadia, Evangeline, St. Landry

Sheriffs

Name	Parish
The Honorable K.P. Gibson	Acadia Parish
The Honorable Charles Guillory	Evangeline Parish
The Honorable Thomas Romero	Iberia Parish
The Honorable Mark Garber	Lafayette Parish
The Honorable Bobby Guidroz	St. Landry Parish
The Honorable Becket Breaux	St. Martin Parish
The Honorable Eddie Langlinais	Vermilion Parish

Police Chiefs

<u>Police Chiefs</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>
Acadia Parish	
Chief Troy Hebert	Crowley
Chief Dale Thibodaux	Church Point
Chief Wayne Welch	Estherwood
Chief David Pousson	Iota
Chief Carroll Stelly	Rayne
Chief Donald Hebert, Jr.	Mermentau
Chief Barton Kibodeaux	Morse
Evangeline Parish	
Chief Allen Ivory, Jr.	Basile
Chief Willtee “Eric” Gallow	Chataingier
Chief Shane Guillory	Pine Prairie
Chief Pat Hall	Mamou
Chief Travis Brasco	Turkey Creek
Chief A. Perry Thomas	Ville Platte
Iberia Parish	
Chief Todd D’Albor	New Iberia
Chief Perry Shaw	Delcambre
Officer Terrance Moore (interim)	Jeanerette

Lafayette Parish	
Chief Vance Olivier	Broussard
Chief David Anderson	Carencro
Chief Kip Judice	Duson
Chief Paul Trouard (interim)	Lafayette
Chief Timothy Hanks	ULL Police Dept.
Chief Chad Leger	Scott
Chief J.P. Broussard	Youngsville
St. Landry Parish	
Chief Josh Ross	Arnaudville
Chief Brent Breaux	Cankton
Chief Jeffery Carl Guilbeau	Grand Couteau
Chief Kyle LeBoeuf	Eunice
Chief Wanda “Susie” Snyder	Krotz Springs
Chief Joseph Noel	Leonville
Chief Philip Lucas, Jr.	Melville
Chief Graig “Twin” LeBlanc	Opelousas
Chief David Krull	Palmetto
Chief Deon Boudreaux	Port Barre
Chief Louis Padilla	Sunset
Chief William Worthy	Washington
St. Martin Parish	
Chief Albert “Buz” Leblanc	Breaux Bridge
Chief Troy Dupuis	Henderson
Chief Ricky Martin	St. Martinville
Chief Reginald Clues	Parks
Vermilion Parish	
Chief Mike Hardy	Abbeville
Chief Anna LaPointe	Erath
Chief Joshua Hardy	Kaplan
Chief Cru Delcambre	Gueydan
Chief Guy Nerren	Maurice

Crime Labs

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory	New Iberia
Metro Forensic	Lafayette

Sexual Assault/Rape Crisis Centers and Advocacy Services

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Service Area</u>
Hearts of Hope	Lafayette, Louisiana	Lafayette, Acadia, St. Martin, St. Mary, Iberia, Vermilion, St. Landry, Evangeline
St. Landry - Evangeline Sexual Assault Center	Opelousas, Louisiana	Avoyelles, St. Landry, Evangeline

School Districts

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Superintendent</u>
Acadia	Carol Dailey Tall
Evangeline	Darwin Lazard
Iberia	Heath Hulin
Lafayette	Francis Touchet
St. Landry	Milton Baptiste
St. Martin	Frederick Wiltz
Vermilion	Tommy Byler

Institutions of Higher Learning

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Point of Contact</u>
Louisiana State University at Eunice (LSUE)	Barbara Baptiste
University of Louisiana at Lafayette (UL)	Madeline Husband
South Louisiana Community College (SoLAcc)	Dr. DeAtley

C. Stakeholder Notifications

Pursuant to LA R.S. 40:1216.1, in developing the annual response plan for Region 4, I, Dr. Tina Stefanski sent invitations to the Region 4 Sexual Assault Response Planning Meeting (enclosed) to legislatively named regional stakeholders via email and outlook calendar invitations. In addition, an email of the proposed plan was sent to those stakeholders. in order to solicit input and approval prior to the regional meeting.

An in-person, Region 4 Sexual Assault Response Planning Meeting was held January 16, 2025 at 11 a.m., with a Zoom offering for those unable to attend in person.

Tina Stefanski

Subject: Region 4 Sexual Assault Response Planning Meeting

From: Tina Stefanski

Sent: Friday, December 6, 2024 10:22 AM

Subject: Region 4 Sexual Assault Response Planning Meeting

Good morning everyone. We will be holding the Region 4 Sexual Assault Response Planning Meeting to review and discuss our regional plan in January. I will send a calendar invite following this email, please share with others in your organization that are crucial to this response.

Meeting details below.

Thanks for all you do and wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season! Tina.

January 16th, 2025. 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

Options for participation: zoom or in-person

In-person meeting location: ULL College of Nursing, 501 West St. Mary Boulevard, Lafayette.

Moncus Hall 4th floor, Room 427

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Zoom invite and more information to follow when we get closer to the date of the meeting

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Tina Stefanski

Subject: FW: Region 4 Sexual Assault Response Planning Meeting
Attachments: Region 4 SAR Plan 2.1.2025 (Draft for Review).docx; R.S. 40-1216.1.docx

From: Tina Stefanski <Tina.Stefanski@LA.GOV>
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2025 4:48 PM
Subject: RE: Region 4 Sexual Assault Response Planning Meeting

Good afternoon. A few updates:

- Attached you will find a draft of the Region 4 Sexual Assault Response Plan. *Please review and send me your feedback by close business on 1/15th, if possible.*
- The guiding legislation for this plan and much of the response requirements was amended during the 2024 Legislative Session but those changes are not yet reflected in the version available online. See attached from Westlaw – effective 8/1/2024.
- Please also review the Sexual Assault Survivor Bill of Rights R.S. 46:1845
<https://legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=207308>
- For those of you able to join the regional meeting next Thursday, 1/16th, you can participate in person or via zoom, see below. In addition to reviewing the significant updates to the regional plan, we will have a presentation on the new LSP Sexual Assault Kit Tracking System.

Thanks and have a wonderful weekend, Tina.

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From: Tina Stefanski <Tina.Stefanski@LA.GOV>
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2024 10:23 AM
Subject: Region 4 Sexual Assault Response Planning Meeting

Good morning everyone. We will be holding the Region 4 Sexual Assault Response Planning Meeting to review and discuss our regional plan in January. I will send a calendar invite following this email, please share with others in your organization that are crucial to this response.

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D. Regional Sexual Assault Response Planning Meeting Attendees, January 16, 2025

HOSPITALS		
Name:	Organization	Attendance Type:
Wanersdorfer, Brady	Mercy Regional	ZOOM
Sloane, Sally	OAKMH ED	ZOOM
Ramsey, Candace	OAKMH ED	ZOOM
Spell, Debbie	Oschner Acadia General Hospital	ZOOM
Glatter, Michelle	Abbeville General Hospital	ZOOM
Dore, Gail	Opelousas General	ZOOM
St. Romain, Chelsea	Opelousas General	ZOOM
Bellard, Jessica	Oschner St. Martin Hospital	ZOOM
Bertrand, Michael	Abbeville General Hospital	ZOOM
Catalon, Lesa	Tides Medical	ZOOM
Allgood, Lauryn	SCP Health	ZOOM
Maples, Danielle	ADRC	ZOOM
Simien, Jackie	Opelousas General Health System	ZOOM
Mouton, Ginger	Opelousas General Health System	ZOOM
Marks, Tim	Opelousas General	ZOOM
Broussard, Wendy	Abbeville General Hospital	ZOOM
LeJeune, Micelle	OUHC	ZOOM
Lawrence, Chris	SCP Health	In-person
Barnhill, Zachary	Lourdes	In-person
Arnaud, Craig	Lourdes	In-person
LAW ENFORCEMENT STAFF		
Name:	Organization	Attendance Type:
Daigle, Amy	Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office	ZOOM
Gerard, Zac	Broussard Police Department	ZOOM
Benoit, Brooks	Scott Police	ZOOM
Louviere, Brian	Scott Police	ZOOM
Lantia, Colby	Scott Police	ZOOM
Rivette, Adam	St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office	ZOOM
Rubin, Taatum	Acadia Parish Sheriff's Office	ZOOM
Bernard, Malinda	NIPD	In-person

Kidder, Geni	LPSO	In-person
Zachary, Darren	UL Police Department	In-person
Hughes, Daesha	NIPD	In-person
Primeaux, Jessica	Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office	In-person
Duhon, Brooke	Lafayette Police	In-person
Fontenot, Kimberly	Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office	In-person
Duhon, Tavin	Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office	In-person
Shea, John	Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office	In-person
Bourque, Timothy	Abbeville Police/3rd Ward Marshal	In-person
Litette, Don	Evangeline Parish Sheriff's Office	In-person
Chattos, Telecia	Breaux Bridge Police Department	In-person
Bergeron, Terrell	Breaux Bridge Police Department	In-person
Lemelle, Jacinta	St. Landry Parish Jail	In-person

CORONER

Name:	Organization	Attendance Type:
Barrett, Ginesse	Jefferson Parish Coroner's Office	ZOOM
Guidry, Waversun	St. Martin Parish Coroner's Office	ZOOM
Talamo, Keith	Lafayette Coroner	In-person
Suire, Tonya	Lafayette Coroner	In-person
Champagne, Alyson	Lafayette Coroner	In-person
Bower, Carla	Lafayette Coroner	In-person

UNIVERSITIES/SCHOOL

Name:	Organization	Attendance Type:
Lafleur, Kelli	Evangeline Parish School Board	ZOOM
Metz, Courtney	South Louisiana Community College	ZOOM
LaSala, Vanessa	UL Lafayette	In-person
Trahan, Samantha	UL Lafayette	In-person

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Name:	Organization	Attendance Type:
Jackson, Julhelene "Betsy"	Evangeline Parish DA's Office	Zoom
Donald Landry	District Attorney	In-person

CRIME LAB

Name:	Organization	Attendance Type:
Furnas, Heather	Louisiana State Police Crime	ZOOM
Depew, Bridget	Louisiana State Police Crime	ZOOM
Ardoyn, Kevin	Acadiana Crime Lab	In-person
Harris, Beth	Acadiana Crime Lab	In-person
Nguyn, Chan	Acadiana Crime Lab	In-person
Mikeska, Margo	Acadiana Crime Lab	In-person
Mayes, Kyle	Acadiana Crime Lab	In-person
Pood, Elise	Acadiana Crime Lab	In-person
Guidry, Claire	Acadiana Crime Lab	In-person

SEXUAL ASSAULT ADVOCACY CENTERS

Name:	Organization	Attendance Type:
Mathies, Emily	Faith House	ZOOM
Mello, Victoria	Faith House	ZOOM
Shelvin, Kizzy	SLESAC	ZOOM
Smith, Tammy	SANE	ZOOM
Gaudet, Carlie	DCFS	ZOOM
Charles, Shirley	Hearts of Hope	ZOOM
Savoy-LaChapelle, Bridget	DCFS	ZOOM
Thompson, Melissa	DCFS	ZOOM
Singleton, Dianna	Louisiana Alliance of Children's Advocacy Centers	ZOOM
Cetnar, Carmen	Hearts of Hope	ZOOM
Liu, Lauren	Hearts of Hope	ZOOM
Templet, Sarah	LERN	In-person
Pitre, Lacey	Hearts of Hope	In-person
Henderson, Kourtneir	Hearts of Hope	In-person
Outlaw, Audrie	Hearts of Hope	In-person
Olivier, Jencie	Hearts of Hope	In-person
Young, Kim	Hearts of Hope	In-person

OTHER

Name:	Organization	Attendance Type:
LaSalle, Sheila	LDH/OPH	ZOOM
Murphy, Monica	LDH/OPH	ZOOM

Miller, Bali	LDH/OPH	ZOOM
Miller, Blake	Acadian Ambulance	ZOOM
Jackson, Pamela	St. Landry Parish Government	In-person
Saussy, Juliette	LDH/OPH	In-person
Stefanski.Tina	LDH/OPH	In-person
Guillory, Nicky	LDH/OPH	In-person
Marceaux, Maia	LDH/OPH	In-person
Laroussini, Jill	Sane Nurse	In-person
Tabor, Bryan	LPCO	In-person
Briggs, Akemi	LDH/OPH	ZOOM