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Dear Friend:

Survivors of rape, molestation and other forms of sexual assault rely on you—nurses, physicians, sexual assault service providers, law enforcement and prosecutors—to treat their physical wounds, provide them with justice and help them endure severe emotional trauma while beginning the difficult recovery process.

In the criminal justice system, we rely on those who first treat victims of sexual assault to collect the evidence used to identify, prosecute and convict the assailants—crucial steps to providing some sense of peace and security in the victims' otherwise shattered lives. No matter what role you play in this critical process, your invaluable work places you on the frontline in the fight against sex crimes and makes you one of the most important people in victims' lives.

I would like to invite you to attend one of our two trainings designed to improve our response to sexual assault patients: the Adult/Adolescent Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Training and Foundation to Provide Sexual Assault Patient Care in the Emergency Room.

The **Adult/Adolescent Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Training** is an important 40-hour training designed to educate registered nurses, mid-level providers and physicians performing sexual assault medical-forensic examinations. The SANE training will be held January 29 - 31, 2019, from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana. Sixteen hours (two days) of the Adult/Adolescent Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Training are to be completed online prior to the 24-hour (three day) classroom component. Instructions regarding the online component will be released on December 19, 2018, and students must complete the online coursework by Thursday, January 24, 2019.

The Adult/Adolescent Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Training will cover the following Nursing Objectives:

Review History of Forensic Nursing ▪ Define Role of the SANE ▪ Describe Clinical Requirements and SANE Certification ▪ Define Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Concept ▪ Discuss Ethics
▪ Review Dynamics of Sexual Assault ▪ Define Rape Trauma Syndrome ▪ Describe Role of Advocate

▪ Describe Illinois Sexual Assault Laws ▪ Describe Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act ▪ Explain Victim Compensation ▪ Discuss Medical Findings in Sexual Assault ▪ Explain Ano-Genital Anatomy ▪ Define Injuries and Terminology ▪ Review Documentation and Interview ▪ Examine Case Studies ▪ Describe Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) Including HIV ▪ Discuss Treatment, Referral and Follow-Up ▪ Review a Mock Medical-Forensic Examination ▪ Explain Male Sexual Assault ▪ Explain Vulnerable Populations ▪ Review Strangulation ▪ Define Drug-Facilitated Sexual Assault (DFSA) ▪ Describe the Role of Law Enforcement ▪ Explain Forensic Photography ▪ Describe the Role of Forensic Scientist ▪ Examine Evidence Collection ▪ Review the Illinois Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit (IL SAECK) and Skills Lab ▪ Review Sex Offender Characteristics ▪ Describe Suspect Exams ▪ Review Role of Prosecutor and Defense Attorney ▪ Examine a Mock Trial ▪ Review SANE Testimony ▪ Explain Vicarious Trauma

Key topics from these objectives will form the **Foundation to Provide Sexual Assault Patient Care in the Emergency Room**, which is an 8-hour training for emergency room nurses, mid-level providers, physicians, law enforcement, advocates and first responders designed to improve the response to sexual assault patients in all emergency rooms. The foundation training will be held on Friday, February 1, 2019, from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. at the ILEAS Training Center in Urbana.

For more information regarding the Illinois SANE Program, the content of the training or nursing contact hours, please contact Jaclyn Jackson, BSN, BS, RN, SANE-A, SANE Coordinator, Office of the Illinois Attorney General, at sane@atg.state.il.us.

These training programs will help all of us work together to better serve and protect Illinois residents from the painful effects of sexual assault. There is no charge for these trainings and an application form is attached. I hope you can join us.

Very truly yours,



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Illinois Attorney General

Adult/Adolescent SANE Training only: The SIU School of Medicine is preapproved as a continuing education provider pursuant to Section 1300.130, subsection (c), (1), (B) and (P) of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation Nurse Practice Act. Approval valid through September 30, 2019.

Criteria for successful completion of the Adult/Adolescent SANE Training include completion of the online training, attendance at the entire event and submission of a completed evaluation form. Criteria for successful completion of the Foundation to Provide Sexual Assault Patient Care in the Emergency Room training includes attendance at the entire event and submission of a completed evaluation form.

Nurse planners and faculty have declared no conflict of interest.