

Essentials in Sexual Offences Forensic Examination and Clinical Management (Adults & Adolescents) - Best Practice for Scotland

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24th & 25th March 2019

It is a requirement for all General Forensic Physicians and Sexual Offences Examiners (and Child Medical Examiners) who are providing these services within Scotland to undertake an accredited Sexual Offences Forensic Examination training course

Course Aim and Objectives: This course aims to provide doctors with foundation knowledge and skills to undertake the role of forensic Sexual Offences Examiner (SOE). The course focuses on a trauma informed approach to clinical management, forensic examination, evidence collection, documentation and preparation for presentation of evidence in a Scottish Court. Minimum recommended competencies for undertaking the role of a SOE are excellent communication skills, an empathic and non-judgemental consulting style and competence in male and female ano-genital examination.

Target Audience: It is aimed at General Forensic Physicians, Sexual Offences Examiners and Child Medical Examiners who are providing these services within Scotland. It is also suitable for doctors who intend to undertake forensic sexual offences roles in the future. The subjects covered are particularly relevant to clinicians preparing for either the Sexual Offences component of Membership of the Faculty of Forensic & Legal Medicine (MFFLM) or the Licentiate in the Forensic & Clinical Aspects of Sexual Assault (DFCASA).

Format: The programme combines an online teaching manual with lecture-based videos required to be studied in advance (approx 10 hours work) of attendance at 1 day of face to face training with group work and 1 day of court skills training. The course is delivered by experts currently working in this field in Scotland.

Course organisers: Dr Deb Wardle and Dr Julie Cumming, Associate Postgraduate Deans in Forensic Medical Examination, NHS Education for Scotland (job-share)

Venue and course times:

Day 1 - NHS Education for Scotland, 2 Central Quay, 89 Hydepark Street, Glasgow, G3 8BW

Day 2 - Procurator Fiscal's Office, 10 Ballater Street, Glasgow, G5 9PS

Time - 9am to 5pm both days

Booking Information: There is no charge to attend this course as it is currently funded by the Scottish Government but places are limited and future courses may incur a cost to delegates.

To apply for a place on this course please complete the online application form which can be accessed via this [LINK](#)

Please email forensics@nes.scot.nhs.uk if you have any questions.