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SEXUAL	ASSAULT



Procedure

- 1. Be calm and assuring with sensitivity toward the patient.
- 2. DO NOT make unnecessary physical contact with the patient.
- 3. If possible, have a witness the same gender as the victim present at all times.
- 4. Wrap a plastic sheet around the victim if possible.
- 5. DO NOT inspect genitals unless evidence of uncontrolled hemorrhage or trauma is present.
- 6. DO NOT allow patient to shower or douche.
- 7. Collect patient's clothing when possible:
 - Place clothing separate plastic/paper bags with ID labels and found location.
 - b. Leave all sheets placed in plastic/paper bag with patient at facility.
 - c. Notify all staff of clothing samples.
- 8. Transport patient to appropriate facility for treatment and examination.
- 9. Contact dispatch to notify Police of possible Sexual Assault

Refer to clinical protocol most appropriate for patients injuries as needed.