Anonymous Reporting Model C

Victim → Hospital → M.O.U. → Law Enforcement Agency

State Central Repository (L.E.S.S.)

Crime Lab

Results to local law enforcement for investigation/prosecution

Note: There are 152 hospitals, 100 Sheriffs’ Offices and approximately 368 Local Law Enforcement Agencies across North Carolina.
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1. The victim presents for treatment/forensic medical exam at an area hospital after an assault
2. The hospital retains forensic exam information as part of the medical record and packages the evidence kit appropriately
   - No identifying information will be on the package, only the chain-of-custody and the destination are indicated
3. The hospital will contact the law enforcement agency identified in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to pick up and ship the package to LESS C.O.D. to maintain chain of custody
4. LESS will obtain identifying data from package, enter the information necessary to retrieve the kit at a later date and store the kit in a proper environment
5. If the victim reports the crime to local law enforcement, LLE will obtain a signed release from the victim, allowing them to retrieve the evidence from LESS and allowing LESS to transport the evidence to the crime lab for processing
   - Local law enforcement is responsible for accessing the SBI Crime Lab database in order to generate a ticket to process the evidence when it arrives at the Crime Lab
6. The evidence kit is transported by LESS or the lead investigator to the crime lab for processing
7. Results are provided to the lead investigator
8. Kits are maintained as long as possible or until the victim reports