



<b>LAFAYETTE PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE</b> <b>LAFAYETTE PARISH CORRECTIONAL CENTER</b> <b>POLICY AND PROCEDURES</b>		Section/Policy: <b>18-900</b>
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**18-900**

**POLICY:**

An alleged sexual assault and/or abuse shall result in immediate intervention and investigation. (3-ALDF-3E-08-3)

**18-901**

**DISCUSSION:**

To provide medical and psychiatric intervention and assistance in cases of suspected/alleged sexual assault.

**18-902**

**PROCEDURE:**

- A. Referral, assessment, and intervention: (3-ALDF-3E-08-7)
  - 1. A referral shall be made to the health care staff by the appropriate security supervisor regarding an alleged sexual assault.
  - 2. If an inmate notifies the health care staff of an alleged sexual assault, the appropriate security supervisor shall be notified.
  - 3. The health care staff shall interview the inmate/victim to determine:
    - a. The extent of the assault.
    - b. Past medical or mental health history.
    - c. History/evidence of injuries during the assault.

- d. History of communicable diseases.
  - e. Present status and welfare.
4. The LPCC health care staff shall ensure that the inmate is referred to the UMC Emergency Department in order to be evaluated and/or treated for the alleged sexual assault, in accordance with the UMC standard operating procedures.
  5. A referral shall be made to the LPCC Mental Health Professional for further evaluation, crisis intervention counseling, and long-term follow-up. (3-ALDF-3E-08-8)
  6. A plan of support shall be determined for the inmate.
  7. Further referrals to the LPCC Mental Health Professional or the Mental Health Clinic shall be made as needed.
  8. Culture reports and follow up exams shall be obtained as needed.
- B. Referral to the health care staff regarding the alleged assailant:
1. A designated security staff shall make referrals regarding the alleged assailant as indicated.
  2. The health care staff shall interview the inmate/assailant regarding injuries and communicable disease status.
  3. Labs for communicable diseases shall be obtained if indicated and the inmate consents.
- C. LPCC security personnel shall be responsible for collecting non-clinical evidence relating to the alleged sexual assault. (07-400)
- D. Security staff shall be responsible for separation of the alleged victim and subject within the LPCC.