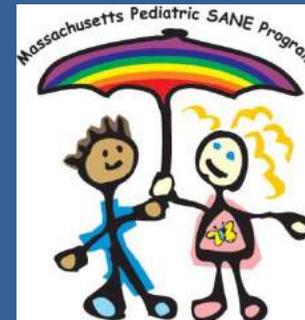


The Massachusetts Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Program Overview

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Massachusetts SANE Program

- Developed in response to specific needs:
 - **Adolescent/Adult:**
 - Long waits in busy emergency departments
 - Lack of quality in forensic evidence collection
 - Need for trauma-informed care to avoid re-traumatization of patients
 - Need to connect to rape crisis services quickly and seamlessly
 - **Pediatric:**
 - Many children did not need to be seen emergently
 - Busy hospital emergency departments are not child friendly
 - Lack of pediatric expertise in many emergency departments

MA SANE Excellence Recognized



White House Interagency
Taskforce on
Violence Against Women



Mission

The delivery of coordinated,
compassionate,
comprehensive expert
forensic nursing care to
sexual assault patients
across the lifespan



MA SANE Program



Governor Weld initiates MA SANE Program

1995

MA SANE services begin in 4 SANE sites.

1997

Pediatric SANE Program begins in 7 CACs

2006

27 MDPH-designated SANE sites

2007

Berkshire and South Shore SANE sites added

2015

MA Evidence Kit named "National Gold Standard"

2002

MA Pediatric Evidence Kit Implemented

2006

TeleNursing Grant Award from OVC/DOJ

2012

TeleNursing Services begin at Metrowest and St Anne's

2016



Public Health

- **Access to Medical Care**
- **Time sensitive medications**
- **Trauma Informed Care**
- **Rape Crisis Partnership**

Public Safety

- Patient/Public Safety
 - **Mandated Reporting**
 - Children, Elders, Disabled Persons
 - Facilitate **police reporting** with patient consent
 - **Provider Sexual Crime Report (PSCR)**

- Expert **Forensic** Evidence Collection
 - **Photo-documentation**
 - Maintain **Chain of Custody**

- Prosecution
 - **Trial preparation and court testimony**

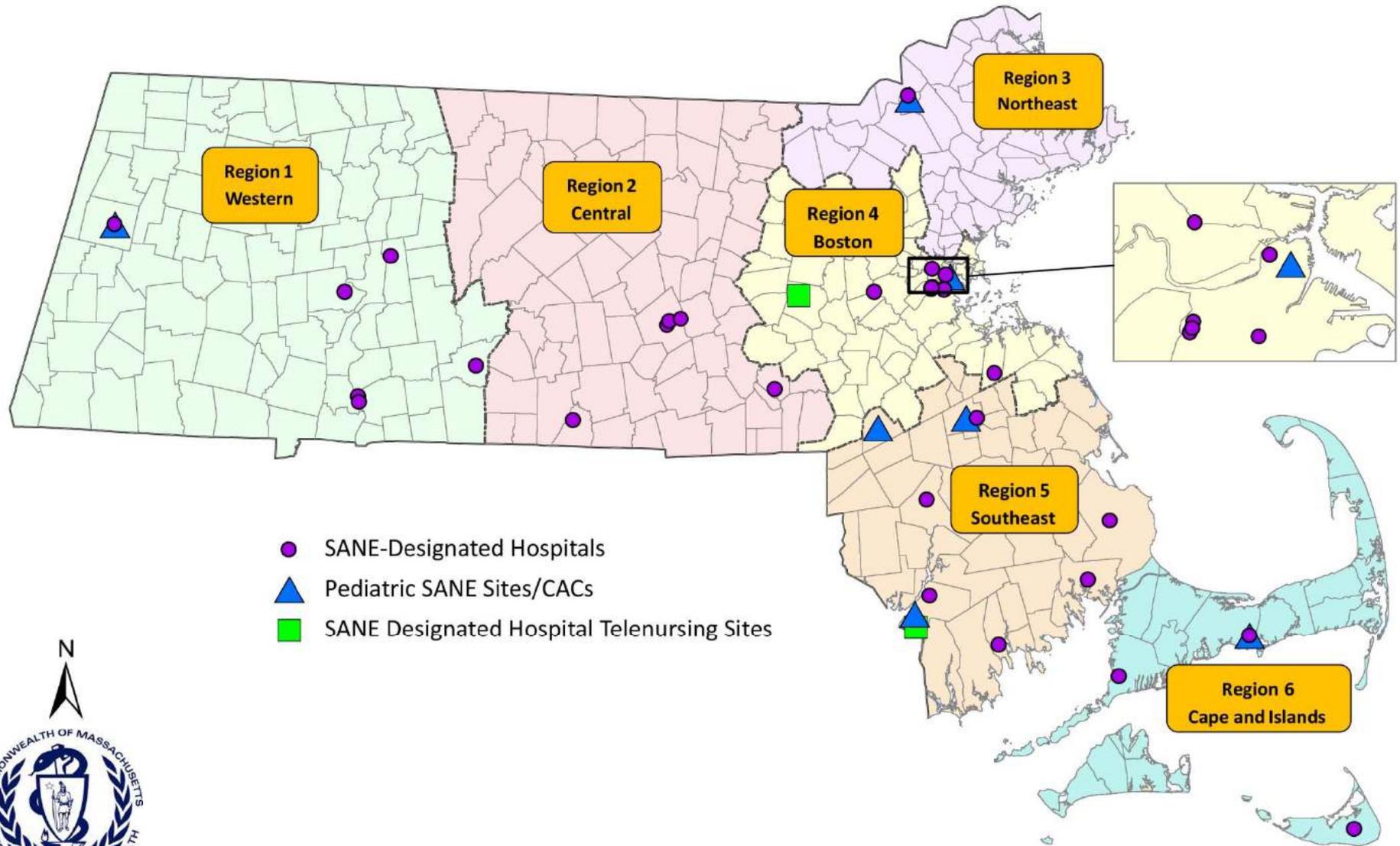
Adult/Adolescent SANE

- Patients 12 years and older
- 24/7, 365 emergency response
- ICU and OR response as needed
- 29 SANE sites
 - 70% State Lab evidence
 - 83% Boston Lab evidence
- 6 SANE Regions
- FY' 15 = 900 Adults/Teens



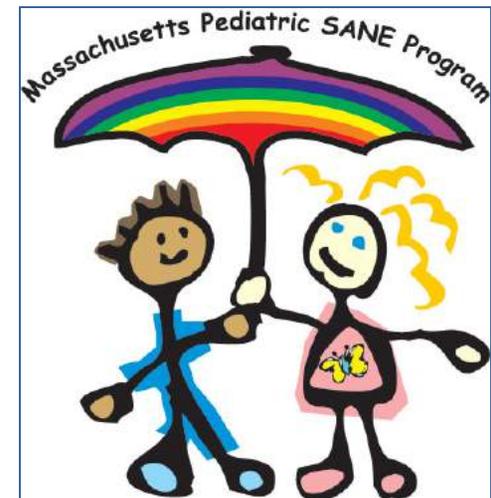


MDPH - Designated Adult/Adolescent SANE Sites Children Advocacy Centers with Pediatric SANE Services



MA Pediatric SANE

- Patients 0 - 18 years
- Acute and chronic abuse
- Advanced Practice Nurses
- 7 of 11 Children's Advocacy Centers
- FY' 15 = 751 Children/Teens
- Health and well-being of child



“Do No Harm” Principles



- Appropriate level of care
- Do not interview the child
- Avoid invasive or painful procedures
- Uncooperative child = NO EXAM
- Support the child

The Faces of Children's Advocacy Centers



Suffolk CAC



Cape and Islands CAC



Essex CAC & LGH



Plymouth CAC



Bristol CAC



**Norfolk
CAC**



**Berkshire
CAC**

The MA SANEs

- 130 strong!
- RNs, NPs, CNMs, 1 MD
- 40% with Advanced Degrees
- 60% with 5 years or greater experience
- 30% with 10 years or greater experience
- Expert body of knowledge



SANE Training

- Trained and certified by MDPH
- UMass iCEL simulation lab
- Quality Assurance Reviews
- Yearly Recertification Training



NATIONAL TELENURSING CENTER

Transforming The Care of Sexual Assault Survivors



Newton Wellesley Hospital, Newton, MA

HOW IT BEGAN

- The Initial Award
 - Fall 2012
- A 3-Year Plan
 - 4 sites
 - 4 unique populations
- Building a Team
 - ADOL
 - American Doctors on Line
 - Partners Health Care
 - Newton-Wellesley Hospital



Robert E. Bush Naval Hospital, Twentynine Palms, CA

DEVELOPING “THE CENTER”

Establishing a Location

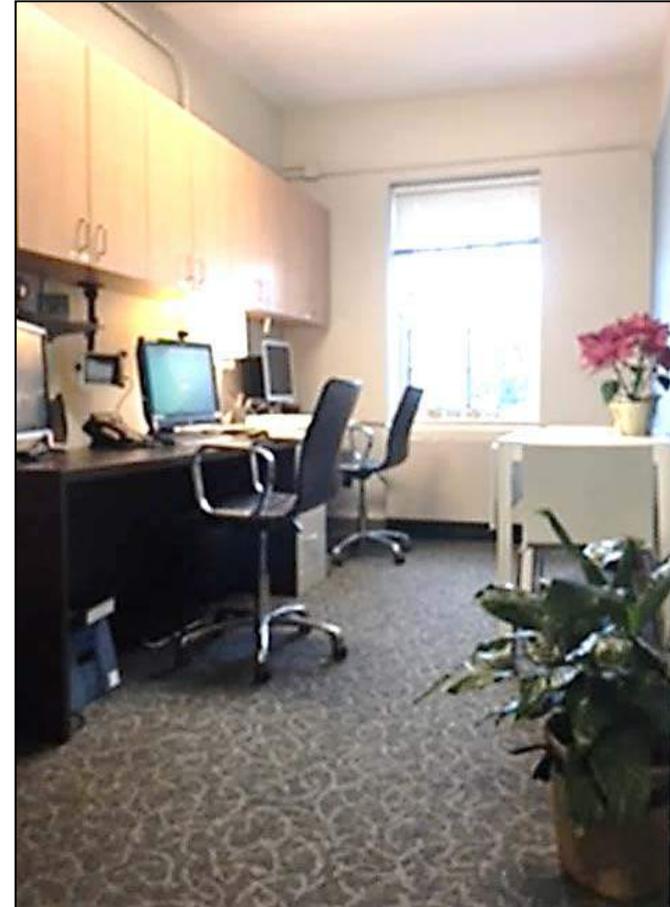
- A private and secure location

Creating Policies & Procedures

- 30+ patient centered policies
- Site specific resources



A Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit



*Encounter Room 1
The National TeleNursing Center*

A New Professional Nursing Model

- Pre-Encounter
 - Focus: Communication between providers
- Encounter
 - Focus: Supporting the provider and ensuring best practice
- Post-Encounter
 - Focus: Real time QA



*LT Jericho Ramirez US NAVY NC
Deputy Director. Kristina Rose OVC*

BENEFITS REALIZED

- Increasing Clinician Confidence and competence
- Community & Professional Benefits
- Positive Feedback from Providers
- Positive Feedback from Local Crime Labs



Sutter Lake, CA



THANK YOU