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IS SEXUAL ASSAULT WELL MANAGED IN THE UK? Can the US and the UK learn from each other?

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THE US AND THE UK-HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

- Major differences in management of rape victims between US and UK.
- Some similarities- both follow an adversarial system of justice with evidence tested beyond reasonable doubt and a trial by jury.
- Can we learn from each other?

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN US AND UK

1. **DEFINITION OF RAPE:** In the US , each state has its own definition of rape whereas in UK, there is a single definition for England, Wales, Scotland and N.Ireland. In UK, Rape is defined as “The intentional penetration by a Penis of vagina, anus or mouth, B does not consent and A does not reasonably believe that B consents”.



DIFFERENCES 2

- 2. THE PROFESSIONALS:
- UK –Historically DOCTOR –led-developed from the male police surgeon role. Until very recently Doctors have been the only professionals carrying out S.O.E.
- US- responding to need a NURSE-led service was developed.



DIFFERENCES 3

- 3.THE TRAINING:
- UK- This had been traditional theory based training with exams for doctors only- however a new exam – DFCASA. Standards in forensic training set by FFLM- Drs only can be full members.
- US- The training has been competency based with e-learning modules and has been developed by nurses for nurses.



DIFFERENCES 4

- LOCATION OF EXAMINATION:
- US- Examinations traditionally carried out in the ER in hospital setting. Some now carried out in community medical setting.
- UK.-Traditionally carried out in medical suite of Police station but now UK have developed a SARC for most counties.

THE WONDERS OF A SARC-See for yourself in next slides!

- SARCs are defined by minimum standards set by DOH:
- MAIN FEATURES:
- Dedicated, forensically approved and cleanable premises.
- Access 24/7 to appropriately trained FP with choice of gender



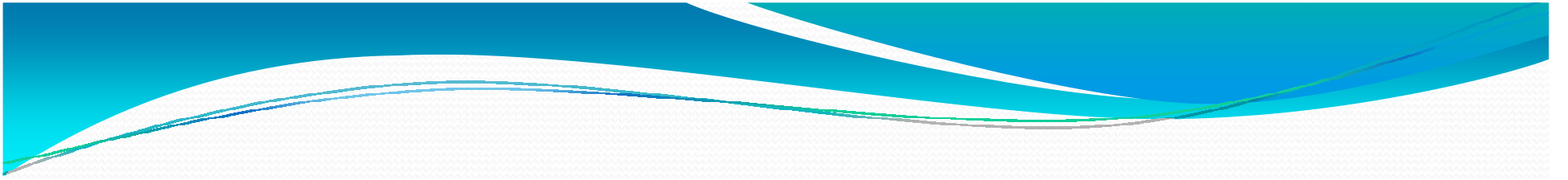
SARC FEATURES [CONT]

- SARC Team to include SARC Manager and a highly experienced Doctor as Clinical Director to ensure quality standards and training needs are met and to provide expert advice
- Immediate access to aftercare, including emergency Contraception, HIV PEP and Hep B vax.
- Support/ Advocacy to be provided by Crisis workers during the examination and by ISVA'S [Independent sexual violence advisors] post examination.











DIFFERENCES 5

SUPPORT:

During the examination-UK-Crisis worker US-SANE

Post examination-UK-ISVA [Independent sexual violence advisor.

US- Rape Crisis organisation



DIFFERENCES 6

- EVIDENCE IN COURT:
- UK- Given by Doctors with Doctors only acting as Expert witnesses
- US- Nurses giving evidence in Court.

DIFFERENCES 7

- CHILDREN-WHO EXAMINES?
- UK- Under 13's -Gold standard is a 2 Dr examination- Paediatrician + FME. 13-16 yrs 1 highly experienced Dr [FME] or FME +Paediatrician.
- US-Examination done by Nurses

RESULTS OF SMALL UK STUDY OF NURSE EXAMINATIONS

- Doctors carry out 92.5% of examinations
- Nurses carry out 7.5% of examinations.
- RESULTS:
- Twice the number of complaints were received following Doctor examinations [in 2% of exams] as following Nurse examinations [in 1% of exams].
- CONCLUSION: Nurses give excellent service.

WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM EACH OTHER?

- THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS:
- 1. Nurse model of care with Doctor as expert Clinical Director.
- 2. Specialist SARC as location
- 3. Aftercare on site-HIV PEP, Emerg Contracept
- 4. Crisis worker +ISVA equivalent for support/Advocacy.
- THANK YOU



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