HOW TO BECOME A

SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINER

BECOME A REGISTERED NURSE

To become a SANE you must have a minimum of a Registered Nursing (RN) license or its equivalent in your country. SANE practice is outside the scope of practice of a Paramedic or LPN/LVN.

Practice clinically as a RN for at least two (2) years **before** becoming trained as a SANE. Clinical assessment skill acquisition is a critical component of being a successful SANE.

LEARN ABOUT LOCAL REQUIRMENTS

Learn about your state/province/country specific regulations regarding SANE training or practice.

SELECT A DIDACTIC SANE COURSE

Online and classroom courses are available.

For help selecting the right course, read the Education Guidelines.

COMPLETE YOUR CLINICAL EDUCATION AND PRECEPTORSHIP

Review the clinical education requirements in the SANE Education Guidelines. Clinical skills trainings and preceptorships are both available.

A preceptorship allows the SANE to practice clinically under the supervision of an experienced SANE.

The preceptor determines when and if a SANE has achieved competency in practice and is able to function independently in the role of SANE.

BEGIN PRACTICE AS A SANE

To find potential employers check out IAFN's Career Center, SANE Program Listing, or your local chapter.

Learn the proper way to identify yourself as a SANE.

BECOME A CERTIFIED SANE-A OR SANE-P

After proper training, clinical preparation, and practice, you may be eligible to sit for board certification. Full eligibility details are listed in the SANE Certification Handbook.

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