

Office of Inspector General

SB 63, Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence (SAFE) Act

SANE – READY CERTIFICATION FOR HOSPITALS
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SANE – Ready Certification

Under SB 63, a new state law was created to improve the quality of care that sexual assault victims receive by establishing a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE)-ready designation for acute care hospitals that have a SANE nurse on call 24/7.

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KRS 216B.401

The new law, KRS 216B.401, requires the Office of Inspector General (OIG) to:

- Annually certify hospitals that seek designation as a SANE-ready hospital.
- Post a list of SANE-ready hospitals on the OIG's website.
- Provide the list to the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services.

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How to Apply for SANE-ready Certification

To receive SANE-ready certification, a hospital must submit a written request to the OIG. The name and SANE credential of each of the hospital's SANE nurses must be attached to the request and sent to the following address:

Attn: Nycole Huber
Division of Health Care
Office of Inspector General
275 East Main Street, 5-EA
Frankfort, KY 40621

e-mail: nycole.huber@ky.gov

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Annual Recertification

- Prior to expiration of a hospital's SANE-ready certification, the OIG will send notice to the hospital.
- To maintain certification, the hospital must respond to the notice by submitting a written request for recertification and provide the name and SANE credential of each of the hospital's SANE nurses.

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Decertification

If a SANE-ready hospital fails to recertify annually or no longer maintains SANE nurses to ensure 24/7 on call coverage, the hospital must immediately notify the OIG's Division of Health Care in writing and return the hospital's SANE-ready certificate.


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SANE-Ready Hospitals

The current list of SANE-Ready hospitals may be downloaded from the following link:

<http://chfs.ky.gov/os/oig/>

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