Customization of Track-Kit for Texas
DPS continues to work with STACS DNA on the customization of Track-Kit for Texas. Track-Kit is a secure, web-based system that tracks sexual assault evidence from the time of collection through the various stages of the criminal justice process to deliver accountability, transparency and information-sharing among all stakeholders.

End User Training
DPS is working with STACS DNA to develop a comprehensive training plan to ensure all entities required to participate in the Sexual Assault Evidence (SAE) Tracking System have the opportunity to receive essential training prior to implementation. On-site regional trainings are being planned in the following cities:

- Austin
- Houston
- El Paso
- Lubbock
- Garland
- Weslaco

In addition to these regional trainings, STACS DNA will provide web-based training sessions for each user group. Users will receive instruction related to tasks they will be expected to complete in order to successfully track evidence through the system.

Conferences
DPS will be promoting the SAE Tracking Program at the following conferences in 2019:

- Texas Chapter Conference of the International Association of Forensic Nurses: January 31st – February 1st in Tyler
- Conference on Crimes Against Women: April 8th – 11th in Dallas

Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit
Texas A&M University, College of Nursing, Forensic Nursing Program is collaborating with the Texas Attorney General's Office to update the Texas Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit. They are hosting regional town hall meetings seeking public input/feedback on the contents of the kit and the accompanying paperwork. Stakeholders who may want to attend include SANEs/medical personnel, law enforcement, crime lab personnel, and advocates. The first town hall meeting was held on October 15th in Bryan and there are five upcoming opportunities to participate:

- Edinburg – November 5th, 8 am -12 pm
  https://nurs.catalog.instructure.com/courses/townhall02
- DFW – December 3rd, time pending
  https://nurs.catalog.instructure.com/courses/townhall03
- Round Rock – January 8th, 1 pm – 5 pm
  https://nurs.catalog.instructure.com/courses/townhall04
- El Paso – January 14th, 1 pm – 5 pm
  https://nurs.catalog.instructure.com/courses/townhall05
- Lubbock – January 15th, 1 pm – 5 pm
  https://nurs.catalog.instructure.com/courses/townhall06

Space is limited so please be sure to only register for and attend one town hall meeting.

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