

Sexual Assault Evidence Tracking System

Track-Kit User Accounts

Agency/user access forms for each Track-Kit user group are now available on the <u>SAE Tracking</u> website under User Access Forms. These forms will be used to establish agencies and populate user information in the Track-Kit system prior to statewide implementation on September 1st. Each organization's Track-Kit administrator(s) will be able to add or disable users once their Track-Kit account is activated the week of August 26th.

The website for Track-Kit in Texas is <u>https://tx.track-kit.us/Login</u>. Agency firewalls will often prevent the receipt of the registration email Track-Kit sends which allows the user to complete the account set up process. To prevent your agency from having this issue, please ask your IT department to whitelist the address noreply@tx.track-kit.us.

End User Training Continues

STACS DNA will continue to provide web-based training sessions in August for each user group to ensure all entities required to participate in the SAE Tracking System have the opportunity to receive essential training prior to implementation. During these 1 hour web-based training sessions, users will receive instruction related to tasks they will be expected to complete in order to successfully track evidence through the system. Users only need to participate in one session. The training schedule and GotoWebinar registration links are posted on the <u>SAE Tracking</u> website under the Training section. Recorded webinar sessions and short training videos will also be available within Track-Kit after September 1st.

Texas Track-Kit Pilot

In June, user groups in select cities began tracking sexual assault kits as part of the pilot project to ensure any opportunities to enhance the system are made prior to statewide implementation on September 1st. The pilot phase of the program is working exactly as intended and we are grateful to our partners for their participation in the pilot.

Survivor Portal Training for Advocates

DPS and STACS DNA recognize the vital support that advocates provide to survivors of sexual assault. On Tuesday, August 6th at 10 am and Thursday, August 15th at 2 pm, STACS DNA will be hosting two Survivor Portal training webinars for advocates. These webinars will last approximately 30 minutes and will provide advocates with a detailed overview of the Survivor Portal so that if requested, advocates can help survivors navigate Track-Kit. If you are interested in participating in one of the webinars, please email <u>kittracking@dps.texas.gov</u> for registration information.

Barcodes/Cards for Uncollected Kits

If your hospital/agency/lab currently has uncollected sexual assault evidence kits in your inventory without tracking barcodes, DPS will provide a tracking barcode and the survivor card for use on kits collected after September 1st. Send requests for barcodes/survivor cards to the SAE Tracking Program by email at <u>kittracking@dps.texas.gov</u>. <u>Please</u> <u>include with your request a contact person, mailing</u> <u>address, phone number, and the approximate</u> <u>number of uncollected kits without barcodes</u> <u>estimated to be in your inventory on September 1st</u>.

DPS continues to work with the Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit manufacturers to ensure all kits sold in Texas after September 1st will contain the components necessary for the Sexual Assault Evidence (SAE) Tracking System. Both manufacturers will be utilizing the Kit Manufacturer/Distributor Portal in Track-Kit.

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