

**DIRECTORATE OF HEALTH SERVICES  
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To,

All Chief Medical & Health Officers.  
All Civil Surgeon Cum Hospital Superintendents, M.P

Subject:- Guidelines and Examination Performa for Medico legal cases of victims of sexual violence.

The above mentioned document "Guidelines and Examination Performa for Medico legal cases of victims of sexual Violence" drawn up by Ministry of Health and family & welfare in consultation with administrative experts and medical and legal experts in the field of sexual violence is available at Ministry of Health & Family welfare, GOI website. The aim of these guidelines is to bring about a certain degree of uniformity in approaching, treating and documenting cases of sexual violence especially rape through these guidelines.

The purpose of uniformity is to set to the course for more sensitive and human approach to victims of sexual assault/rape when they arrive in hospitals, their effective treatment at the hospitals and proper recording and documentation of medical history and facts by treating doctor.

Under the amended criminal law, sexual assault survivors and victims cannot be denied treatment in a hospital - whether private or government. It is thus a mandatory obligation. If not fulfilled it could set the law in motion against the offending hospital and doctors with likely penal consequences. It is expected that both government/private hospitals work in concert to treat victims of sexual assault on the same footing.

Guidelines can be downloaded from Ministry of Health & Family welfare, GOI website [www.mohfw.nic.in](http://www.mohfw.nic.in) and also on [www.health.mp.gov.in](http://www.health.mp.gov.in). Please go through Guidelines, make them available at your establishment hospitals and ensure adoption at government and private hospitals. The Guidelines be widely circulated amongst the Doctors. Performa for medico legal examination of survivors/victims of sexual violence, attached in the guidelines ( Page 60-74) to be provided at all government institutions and instruct Doctors conducting medico legal examination of survivors/victims of sexual violence to use this Performa. Ensure strict compliance of the instructions.



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