

Forensic Medical Units in a Family Justice Center

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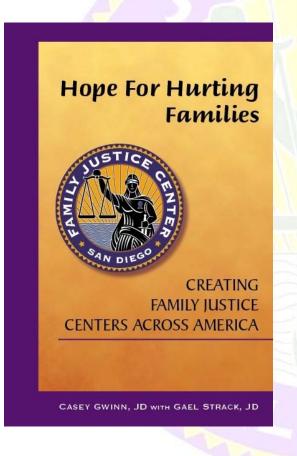
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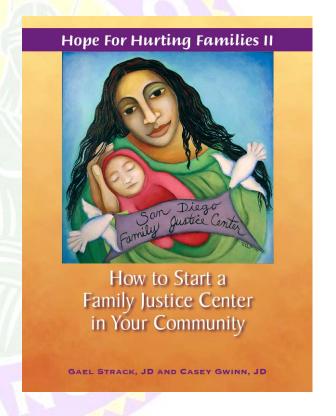
Welcome

- Welcome Gael Strack, CEO, FJCA
- Special Thanks to Verizon Foundation
- Overview of Today's Webinar
 - 5 minute Overview from Each Center
 - Frequently Asked Questions
 - Questions from the Field
- Resource: C.14 Launching an FMU
- Introductions of Speakers



Resources







C.14 – Launching a FMU

- Steps in Launching a Center
- Developing Vision, Mission, Goals & Objectives
- Designing the FMU and Name of Facility
- Determining Scope of Services
- Determining Staffing Levels
- Finding the Funds
- Academic Affiliations and Collaboration



San Diego FJC, Forensic Medical Unit Sponsored by Sharp Hospital

- Launched Feb 2003
- On-site Team:
 - Medical Director
 - SART Nurse
- **(**-
- Office Administrator
- Volunteers
- Funding
 - Grants
 - In-kind donations

- Scope of Services
 - Domestic Violence
 - Elder Abuse
 - Child WellnessChecks
 - Residency Program
 - International Internship
 - Forensic Internship
 - Volunteer Nurses
 - Research



FMU Facilities







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FJCs with FMUs

- CA: San Diego & Alameda County FJC
- TX: Bexar County FJC located at a Medical Facility
- Boise & Nampa, Idaho
- FJC of St. Joseph's County Indiana
- Boston FJC
- Croydon FJC, England
- Waterloo FVP, Canada





Alameda County FJC

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Grand Opening (8/31/2005)





Color: Forensic Blue

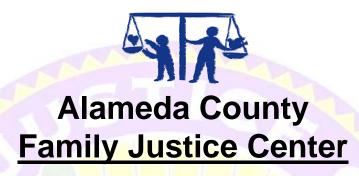
The exam chair

The Colposcope



Alameda County Family Justice Center

- ACFJC opened: August 2005/FMUs Same time
- Overview of FMU:
 - On-site:
 - Alameda County Public Health Department (1rst Floor)
 - Team: Project Director, Nurses (2), Receptionist
 - Scope of Services:
 - » Immunizations, SDT Screenings, after care, basic followup.
 - » Child/Youth Wellness Checks
 - » Referrals to other medical and social services onsite.
 - » Purple Ribbon: assist DV survivors with enrollment into Medi-Cal/public insurance programs and provide referrals to dental, mental health, and substance abuse programs.
 - Care to teen victims of sexual abuse, exploitation and DV.
 - Forensic Exam Room, 2nd floor (Photos):
 - Hillary Larkin, Physician Assistant, ACMC Highland Hospital ER: Medical Director, Alameda County Sexual Assault Response Team



- Off-Site/Partnerships with SART/hospitals:
 - Goal:
 - To regionalize the forensic exams so victims can stay in their own areas for response and treatment.
 - VRS allows communication with advocates (BAWAR & FVLC) and Navigators for linkages to ACFJC services.
 - Video Relay Systems in 4 SART Centers:
 - Center for Child Protection, 0-12
 - Highland Hospital SART,
 - Valley Care SART
 - Washington Hospital SART
- <u>Funding:</u>
 - Public Health Funding & Grants
- Number of Clients Served:
 - Pubic Health: 1, 203
 - SARTs: Approx. 600 per year (250 kids and 350 adults)



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FACES Family Advocacy Center & Education Services





Overview of the FMU

- Date FJC opened
- Date FMU Opened
- Overview of FMU
- List services provided in the FMU
- Partnerships with SART or hospitals?
- Number of clients served
- Photo of FMU



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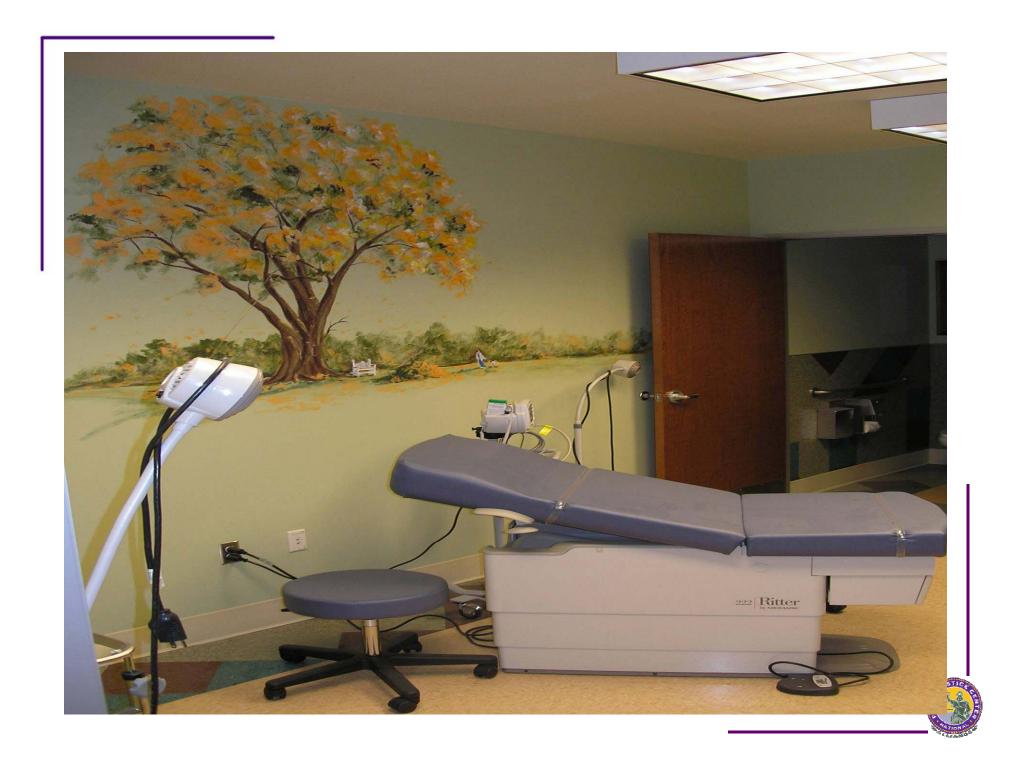


Nampa Family Justice Center Launched November 30, 2005



Located at 1305 Third St. South, Nampa, Idaho 83651









Overview of the Nampa FMU

- FJC Opening Date: November 30, 2005
- FMU Opening Date: November 30, 2007 (combined with 2 yr. anniversary celebration)
- Currently providing physical exams to children entering foster care in Region III (Children's Advocacy Center service)
- Awaiting contract signatures with Mercy Medical Center personnel to begin adult sexual assault exams (SART)
- Awaiting contract signatures with Idaho Department of Health and Welfare to begin "wellness exams on child victims of sexual abuse coming into the FJC for forensic interviews (Children's Advocacy Center service)
- Entering into partnership with Mercy Medical Center for the SART exams; Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and Boise State University for the wellness exam as part of forensic interviews.
- The Ellen Marie Pediatric Unit has provided forensic interviews to 63 children of alleged child sexual abuse and 45 physical exams to children entering foster care since the opening of the unit.

Frequently Asked Questions



Staffing

- Who is providing services? RN? Doctor?
- How do you staff it?
- MOU?



Funding

- How is the FMU funded?
- Was equipment donated?
- How do you pay for staff or services?



Confidentiality & Reporting

- Does your state have medical mandated reporting regulations?
- Briefly discuss challenges with confidentiality?



Benefits

- Please tell us about a few success stories or quotes from clients
- Why is important to have a FMU?



Challenges

 Please discuss some of your challenges (i.e. funding, staffing, etc)



Questions from Memphis, TN

- How many cases are referred to the FMU?
- Which cases are referred?
- Which cases have proven to be the most beneficial for prosecution?
- How are the exams from the FMU used for prosecution, especially in evidence based prosecutions without the victim?



Excellent Resource

The Physician's Guide To Intimate Partner Violence And Abuse

A Reference for all Health Care Professionals

How to Ask
the Right Questions
and Recognize Abuse . . .
Another Way to Save a Life

Patricia R. Salber, MD and Ellen Taliaferro, MD

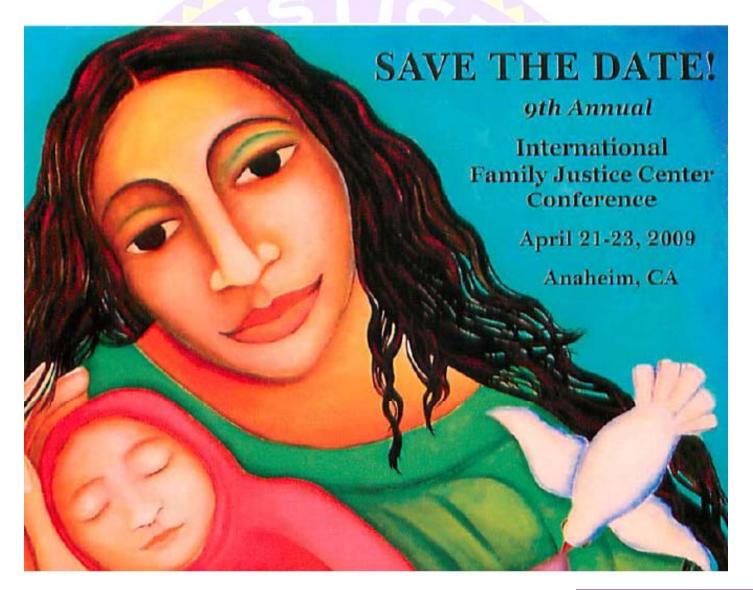
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- What do we do when the victim Answers Yes
 - Dr. Taliaferro
- Laws related to DV
 - Gael Strack, JD
- How to prepare the optimal response
 - Dr. McCaw
- Volcanopress.com



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Thank you – The End!



