

D6 Case Study – Consensual Sex, Genital Injuries, and Sexual Assault of a Fifteen-Year-Old Female

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The goal of this presentation is to discuss the concept that rape is a legal issue and the medical findings, or lack of findings, are based on the victim's history.

A 15-year-old female was seen at a SART (Sexual Assault Response Team) facility in San Diego County. An evidentiary examination was authorized by law enforcement. The 15-year-old disclosed:

- Consensual sex 2 - 12 hours before

- She passed out and woke up with a male putting his penis into her vagina
- Reported to law enforcement 12 hours later
- She stated "sex" hurt with all of them

FINDINGS: Multiple lacerations and abrasions 4-7 o'clock on the posterior fourchette going up to the fossa navicularis. Positive Toluidine Blue dye uptake

Positive examination consistent with the history as stated

CONCLUSION: Photo documentation of all the injuries allows the nurse to use photographs for peer review. Photo documentation also serves to document the injuries for other experts to review.

Sexual Assault, Photo Documentation, Colposcopy