



### **G45 Model Protocol for Forensic Medical Examination of Victims of Trafficking in Human Beings**

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After attending this presentation, attendees will understand basic health issue related to trafficking in human beings (THB), in particular these related to physical trauma, sexual violence, and substance misuse. The attendees should also become familiar with advantages of early medicolegal examination of THB victims.

This presentation will impact the forensic community and/or humanity by giving arguments and advocate for necessity of medicolegal health-care for THB victims that is mostly being neglected in existing local anti-trafficking policies and intervention protocols. A positive example of Istanbul Protocol use in evaluation of torture victims would serve as an illustration of good practice in sound related field.

The presentation will discuss the experience gained through the trainings for medical and judiciary professionals in countries of Western Balkans (Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Croatia). A protocol developed for forensic medical examination of victims of THB will be discussed in detail. It is recommended that the agenda of anti-trafficking policies needs to be redrawn to include forensic medical assessment of victims for legal purposes.

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