

Overview of August Activities September 9, 2010

The Los Angeles Police Department Sexual Assault Evidence Kits (SAEK) Progress Report provides significant information about the status of the SAEK backlog elimination project. The Serology/DNA unit is also responsible for processing and conducting analysis for biological evidence unrelated to sexual assaults, as well as additional evidence related to sexual assaults. This report is a reflection of the productivity associated with the SAEKs.

154 new SAEKs were collected in August, 54 higher than July and 42 higher than the monthly average. The August Progress Report shows a total of 1,691 Remaining Untested Kits. The sum is achieved by adding the historical backlog of 253 Remaining Untested Kits and 1,438 Remaining Untested Kits post December 8, 2008. Of the 1,691 Remaining Untested Kits, approximately 1,335 are currently in progress, either at a contract laboratory or within the LAPD Crime Laboratory. This sum is achieved by adding the 253 submitted to laboratory/pending return to LAPD from the historical backlog and 1,035 submitted to laboratory/pending return to LAPD from the post December 8, 2008, (plus 47 kits in progress in LAPD not listed on the report).

The expected turnaround for outsourced cases is 70 days. The number of kits not yet submitted for testing is 403 which are only the SAEKs received subsequent to December 8, 2008. It is anticipated that the number of SAEKs not yet submitted for testing at the end of September should be less than 100, at that time the submission of SAEK's for testing, whether in house or to a contract laboratory will occur within 30 days of receipt by the Department.

The Report shows a total of 1,442 Pending Technical Reviews. This sum is achieved by adding the historical backlog of 1,387 Pending Technical Reviews and 55 Pending Technical Reviews from the post December 8, 2008. In house capacity has increased from 44 in April to 242 in August. This increase is attributed to the influx of new hires that have begun to come on line in a production capacity. Additional in-house capacity is being added in September by assigning analysts, newly approved to perform DNA analysis, to the elimination of the technical review backlog. It is anticipated the backlog of unassigned technical reviews will be approximately 1,277 by the end of September and approaching zero in February.

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT
Sexual Assault Evidence Kits (SAEK)
Progress Report for August 31, 2010

Category	Historical Backlog Pre 12/8/08	Subsequent Post 12/8/08	August 2010 Activity (All cases)
Total Kits Booked	6132*	2286	154
Rape Kits (LAPD)	6013	2258	151
Sex Kits (Coroner)	119	28	3
Outsourced to Private Laboratory	4658	1294	337
Analyzed SAEK's	4405	259	84
Submitted to Laboratory/pending return to LAPD	253	1035	253
DNA profiles found	2393	140	124
Completed Technical Review	1006	85	242
Pending Technical Review	1387	55	N/A
Uploaded to CODIS	1211	74	233
Total CODIS Hits	315	25	53
Named offender only	281	18	43
Case-to-case only	29	6	9
Named offender and case-to-case	5	1	1
LAPD Laboratory Analyzed SAEK's	249	237	17
DNA Profiles Found	47	153	3
Uploaded to CODIS	29	146	33
Total CODIS Hits	19	88	26
Named offender only	16	76	22
Case-to-case only	2	6	3
Named offender and case-to-case	1	6	1
Unsuitable for Testing	1225	352	26
Remaining Untested Kits	253	1438	N/A

* Initially recorded as 7,495 SAEKs by the Controller's report. After a physical audit by the LAPD in October 2008, the figure was revised to 6,132.

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