

Overview of April 2011 Activities

May 11, 2011

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.

As of April 21, 2011, all of the SAEKs in the Historical Backlog, Pre December 8, 2008 has been tested and, where profiles were found, uploaded to CODIS. The Historical Backlog has been eliminated.

The April Progress Report shows a total of 632 Remaining Untested Kits booked into evidence Post December 8, 2008. On the 632 Remaining Untested Kits, 462 are at outside labs for testing. The number of kits not yet submitted to a contract laboratory for testing or testing completed by the Department's Lab is 170.

All new requests for analysis of a sexual assault kit are immediately assigned to an SID criminalist for processing and analysis (in-house or outsourced). There is no backlog of unassigned SAEK requests for analysis of a SAEK at SID.

The Report shows a total of 140 Pending Technical Reviews. All data from the analysis of SAEK's by contract labs is put into the technical review process immediately upon return of the data from the outside lab.

The Department is in the process of developing a new report to track SAEKs. The Department is working with members of the DNA Task Force on the creation of this new report and hopes to have the new report approved at the July meeting of the DNA Task Force. The Department also expects that by July the number of SAEKs not yet completed will be somewhere in range of 200 Kits which would represent the numbers of SAEKs we expect to be in progress due to the average time it takes to complete the entire DNA testing process.

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT
Sexual Assault Evidence Kits (SAEK)
Progress Report for April 30, 2011

Category	Historical Backlog Pre 12/8/08	Subsequent Post 12/8/08	April 2011 Activity (All cases)
Total Kits Booked	6132	3187	113
Rape Kits (LAPD)	6012	3152	113
Sex Kits (Coroner)	120	35	0
Outsourced to Private Laboratory	4658	2176	126
Analyzed SAEK's	4658	1714	44
Submitted to Laboratory/pending return to LAPD	0	462	126
DNA profiles found	2469	902	28
Completed Technical Review	2469	762	105
Pending Technical Review	0	140	N/A
Uploaded to CODIS	2114	430	116
Total CODIS Hits	753	221	67
Named offender only	675	188	56
Case-to-case only	33	11	1
Named offender and case-to-case	45	22	10
LAPD Laboratory Analyzed SAEK's	249	315	15
DNA Profiles Found	47	171	3
Uploaded to CODIS	29	239	6
Total CODIS Hits	23	146	4
Named offender only	19	117	2
Case-to-case only	3	12	0
Named offender and case-to-case	1	17	2
Unsuitable for Testing	1225	526	33
Remaining Untested Kits	0	632	N/A

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