

Forensic Nursing - Excellence



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Work Setting: Forensic Nurse Examiner Program Coordinator. Hospital ED

Kathy Hudson has provided services to sexual assault victims since 1998. She is a lifetime member of the IAFN who remains certified as a SANE-A and SANE-P.

She became the coordinator of a program in 2008 located in a rural hospital emergency department. Kathy has worked tirelessly for victims of crimes and made many personal sacrifices over the years, including missing out on family holidays and occasions such as her son's ball games.

She is a true advocate for her patient population and the nurses on her team. She covers anytime they come up short for coverage.

Kathy participates in numerous community activities just to name a few; Representatives to Sexual Assault Network of Delaware, Domestic Violence Coordinating council medical subcommittee, Delaware Coalition for Injury Prevention Assault, subcommittee, Child Protection Accountability Commission; Abuse Intervention Committee and Sussex County Council subcommittee on Aging and Persons with Disabilities.

Kathy provides education to the community including local colleges, police academy and she provides "Stewarts of Children" (child sexual assault prevention) training to local churches, schools youth group leaders and parents. She was appointed member of the Victims' Compensation Assistance Program Appeals Board; June 8, 2011 (3 year term), reappointed in 2014. This is just one area where experience as a SANE nurse can be used for victims outside of the hospital. She has received two awards: DE House of Representatives Commendation, DE House of Representatives; August 2000 and The Soroptimist Ruby Award: For Women Helping Women, Soroptimist International Seaford, DE; June 2010.

She even finds the time to continue her education and is currently enrolled in Wilmington University's Masters of Nursing in Leadership, Legal Nurse Consultant. I know there are many SANE nurses across the country working tirelessly however, this is one of them and I am honored to share the profession with her.