

New Hampshire SAFE-ITR 60-Day Performance Measures 9/01/21 through 10/31/21

Number of SAEKs that are in the possession of the applicant agency at the beginning of the award period: 0

The NH DOJ does not possess used SAEKs; SAEKs are held as evidence at individual police departments around the State. Law Enforcement agencies from around the State self-reported the four digit kit serial numbers for unsubmitted kits. 821 individual kit serial numbers from the past have been accounted for since NH's inventory of unsubmitted SAEKs began in 2017 and throughout this period that it has been updated.

Number of SAEKs inventoried during the reporting period:

9 kits were transferred to the NH State Police Forensic Lab during this 60-day reporting period as a result of this Initiative. 8 of these were previously unsubmitted SAEKs and 1 of these kits had been requested back from the Lab for additional analysis.

Number of SAEKs that do not require testing.

The NH State Police Forensic Lab will determine which kits are not eligible for testing pursuant to their protocol and standards. The Lab provides reports to the law enforcement agencies submitting the kit, therefore the DOJ and the SAFE-ITR Coordinator do not have access to individual lab reports or data generated as a result of this Initiative. 180 Anonymous kits that are part of the inventory do not require testing unless/until a victim comes forward.

Percentage of unsubmitted SAEKs identified as needing forensic testing:

This will be determined by the NH State Police Forensic Lab pursuant to their protocols and standards. The Lab provides reports to the law enforcement agencies submitting the kit and in some cases CC's the respective County Attorney Office, therefore the NH DOJ and the SAFE-ITR Coordinator do not have access to individual lab reports or data generated as a result of this Initiative. 6 months of aggregate data was provided by the Lab for the semi-annual report ending 6/30/21.

Percentage of unsubmitted SAEKs sent to the laboratory for testing.

At this point in this Initiative, approximately 99% of previously unsubmitted SAEK's still eligible to move to the lab have been transferred to the NH State Police Forensic Lab.

Percent reduction in the number of unsubmitted SAEKs requiring DNA testing.

This metric will need to be provided by the NH State Police Forensic Lab when available. The Lab continues to work with a vendor lab to outsource kits and has sought additional funding to continue analysis of SAEKs.

Number of SAEKs inventoried and reported that:

- A. Were identified as previously tested: 77 total since SAFE-ITR work began.
- B. Do not require testing. 35 total since SAFE-ITR work began.
- C. Were sent to the laboratory for testing: 9 in this 60-day period; 489 since SAFE-ITR work began.
- D. Had a final disposition (e.g., were adjudicated): **Unknown**. Without access to an automated tracking system, there is currently no way to track this. In this 60-day reporting period, the SAFE-ITR Coordinator provided a SAFE-ITR

progress update at the statewide County Attorney meeting and requested feedback on any cases that are re-opened or adjudicated as a result of this project, when available.

Number of deliverables that meet expectations.

- **Deployment of an automated information system:** The NH Department of Justice recently received a contract for a kit tracking software program. It is in the review phase and the DOJ is hopeful that the fully executed contract will be completed by the end of the year.
- **Commencement and completion of inventory:** The inventory was completed previously and continues to be updated as additional data becomes available.
- **Commencement of tracking and reporting on SAEK movement:** This will be dependent on the deployment of an automated information system. The SAFE-ITR Coordinator and Lab personnel are coordinating to ensure that current kits collected at hospitals around the State are arriving at the Lab in a timely fashion. The SAFE-ITR Coordinator is following up on kits when necessary, in an effort to prevent an accumulation of unsubmitted kits in NH going forward.

Develop website to report metrics

The DOJ Director of Law Office Infrastructure will be assisting with this task. It is anticipated that assistance from the NH DOIT Web Content Division will be needed to get the reports published however this will be the priority task in the next 60-day reporting period.