

St Mary's Centre



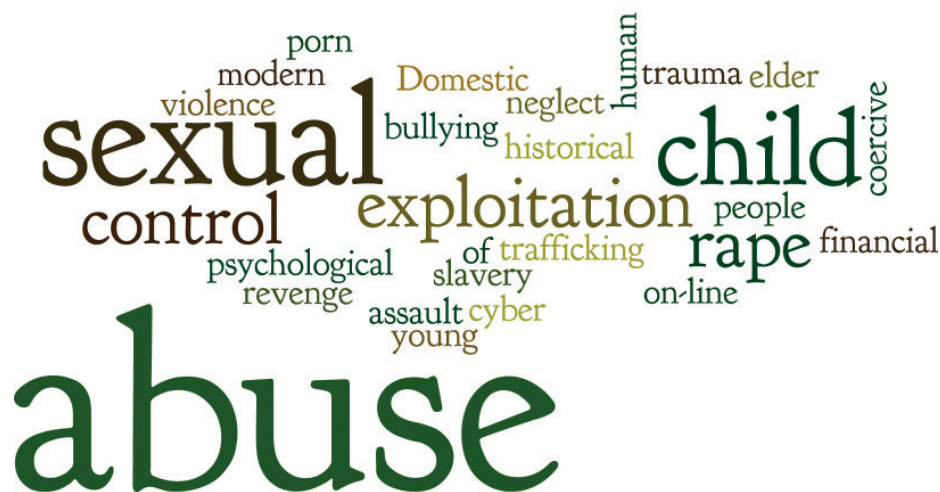
Sexual Assault Referral Centre

The Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre
presents its 16th Annual Conference 2018

Rape: Not an isolated issue: *Sexual violence and multiple types of abuse*

Wednesday April 25th and Thursday April 26th
The Midland Hotel, Peter Street, Manchester M60 2DS

Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine
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The Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre is a pioneering collaborative venture which provides a comprehensive and co-ordinated forensic, medical, counselling and aftercare service to women, men and children living in Greater Manchester and Cheshire. The service is available to those who have experienced rape or sexual assault, whether this has happened recently or in the past. Established in 1986, the Centre is recognised nationally and internationally as a model of good practice in providing immediate one-stop services to adults of all ages. To date we have provided services to 24,510 clients. Since the Saint Mary's Children's SARC opened in 2006, the Centre has seen 6,398 children to date.

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Academic posters

Presenters will be available to discuss the content of their posters during the morning break of the first day

- 1. Special Measures for vulnerable and intimidated witnesses: A real choice?**
Ms Alice Brockway, Dr Rabiya Majeed-Ariss, Research Associate, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre and Dr Catherine White, Clinical Director, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre
- 2. Strategies for coping with sexual trauma: piloting a psycho-educational group course**
Ms Shanaz Essafi, former Senior Counsellor, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre and Ms Lisa Whitehead, former Senior Counsellor, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre
- 3. Sexual assault among men who have sex with men (MSM): associations with drug use and chemsex**
Mr Chris Fine and Dr Chris Ward
- 4. Clients who self-refer to Saint Mary's SARC: A comparison between clients referred via the police**
Michelle Mattison, Lecturer, University of Chester, Dr Rabiya Majeed-Ariss, Research Associate, Saint Mary's SARC and Dr Catherine White, Clinical Director, Saint Mary's SARC
- 5. Prevalence of anal injuries amongst clients attending Saint Mary's SARC following allegation of anal penetration**
Dr Helen Mills, Senior Forensic Physician, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre, Dr Rabiya Majeed-Ariss, Research Associate, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre and Dr Catherine White, Clinical Director, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre
- 6. Prevalence of learning disabilities among clients: Preliminary findings from 2017**
Mr Pablo M. Rodriguez, Dr Rabiya Majeed-Ariss, Research Associate, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre and Dr Catherine White, Clinical Director, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre
- 7. The effects of alcohol on grain size in rape claimant testimonies**
Katie Summers and Heather Flowe, University of Birmingham
- 8. Non-fatal strangulation among clients attending Saint Mary's SARC**
Dr Catherine White, Clinical Director, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre and Dr Rabiya Majeed-Ariss, Research Associate, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre
- 9. Promoting the psychological well-being of children, young people and their families at Sheffield Children's Hospital SARC – what clinical psychology can offer**
Dr Charlotte Wright, Clinical Psychologist and Dr Katherine Tideswell, Principal Clinical Psychologist

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**16th Annual Conference 2018
The Midland Hotel, Manchester**

Welcome to Saint Mary's 16th Annual Conference

Rape: Not an isolated issue:

Sexual violence and multiple types of abuse

The development of Sexual Assault Referral Centres in the UK over the last thirty two years has led to many advancements in the care of those reporting sexual violence.

Whilst the specialisation of services brings about its own benefits it should be appreciated that sexual violence does not take place in a vacuum. Many of the people seen in SARCs will have other problems, whether that be vulnerabilities such as mental health issues, learning disabilities or poor social circumstances. In addition it is not unusual for them to have been victims of multiple types of abuse such as domestic abuse, physical, emotional, financial.... What makes a person vulnerable to sexual violence will generally be applicable to other types of abuse.

We have long been arguing against the notion that a SARC service should be seen only as provision of the forensic medical examination, particularly an examination focussed solely on obtaining forensic swabs. Indeed "The swab is not the job" mantra should feature in any unofficial SARC mission statement.

If we agree that reducing a person's vulnerability to future abuse, of any type, and enhancing their overall wellbeing is a desired outcome, then we must broaden our approach to their assessment and enhance our response to meet their needs. Seeing sexual violence as a single issue will, in many cases, be naïve and futile. SARCs need to up their game, see their clients as whole people not just a "rape victim" and link in with other existing services if they really want to make a difference

I am grateful to the host of excellent speakers who will share their thoughts and experience on these issues. May I extend a warm welcome to all the delegates and thank you for taking the time out of busy schedules to listen, reflect and share your own thoughts and views. Thanks are also due to our sponsors who help support this event and of course a huge thanks to all those involved in the organisation of this conference. Lastly a special thanks to all the Saint Mary's SARC staff, at the Saint Mary's Centre and SAFEPlace Merseyside who are working hard to keep the service running whilst we are here.

Dr Catherine White OBE, Clinical Director, Saint Mary's Assault Referral Centre

April 2018

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DAY ONE: Wednesday April 25th	
08.30 – 09.00	Registration and refreshments
09.00 – 09.05	Welcome and housekeeping Rachel Coppock, Directorate Manager, Saint Mary's SARC
Session one	Chair: Jon Rouse, Chief Officer Greater Manchester Health and Social Care Partnership
09.15 – 09.30	Opening address Kate Davies OBE, NHS England's Director of Health Justice, Armed Forces and Sexual Assault Services Commissioning
09.30 – 10.00	Dr Catherine White OBE, Clinical Director, Saint Mary's SARC "Life is like a box of chocolates, you never know what you are going to get!"
10.00 – 10.40	Jim Gamble, Chief Executive, INEQE On-line abuse – Everybody's business
10.40 – 11.00	Coffee
Session two	Chair: Kathy Cowell, Chair, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust
11.00 – 11.25	Martin Goldman – Chief Crown Prosecutor for the North West Controlling/coercive behaviour and rape
11.25 – 12.00	Jessica Asato, Public Affairs Manager, Safer Lives Domestic Violence and Abuse Bill – impact and opportunities
12.00 – 12.25	Lauren Batty, Hope for Justice Modern slavery and sexual exploitation
12.25 – 12.50	Baroness Helen Newlove, Victim's Commissioner Support for survivors of rape and sexual violence
12.50 – 13.00	Questions
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
Session three	Chair: Kate Davies OBE, NHS England's Director of Health and Justice, Armed Forces and Sexual Assault Services Commissioning
14.00 – 14.25	Carol Seymour, President of the Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine Standard setting and developing a speciality for forensic medicine
14.25 – 14.55	National evaluation of Sexual Assault Referral Centres The effectiveness of sexual assault referral centres with regard to mental health Professor Liz Hughes, University of Huddersfield Honorary Professor Charlie Brooker, University of London Multi-disciplinary evaluation of sexual assault centres for better health Dr Lorna O'Doherty, Senior Research Fellow, Coventry University
14.55 – 15.10	Questions
15.15 – 17.15	Workshops
19.30	Pre-Conference Drinks Reception, Derby and Chester Suite, The Midland Hotel
20.00	Conference dinner, Derby and Chester Suite, The Midland Hotel

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DAY TWO: Thursday April 26th	
08.30 – 09.00	Registration and refreshments
09.00 – 09.05	Review and welcome back Rachel Coppock, Directorate Manager, Saint Mary's SARC
Session four	Chair: Honorary Recorder of Manchester, Judge Stockdale
09.05 – 09.30	Beverley Hughes, Police and Crime Commissioner for Greater Manchester
09.30 – 09.50	Debbie Ford, Assistant Chief Constable of Greater Manchester Police A changing world: Meeting the challenges from a policing perspective
09.50 – 10.20	Dame Vera Baird, Police and Crime Commissioner for Northumbria Seeing is believing: Rape and the criminal justice system
10.20 – 10.50	His Honour Judge Steven Everett, Liverpool Crown Court Section 28 – progress to date
10.50 – 11.00	Questions
11.00 – 11.15	Coffee
Session five	Chair: Chris McLoughlin, Non-Executive Director, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust
Latest research	
11.15 – 11.30	Senior Lecturer Heather D Flowe, University of Birmingham, School of Psychology Remembering rape: A randomised controlled test of the effects of acute alcohol intoxication on women's memory for an interactive hypothetical rape scenario
11.30 – 11.35	Questions
11.35 – 11.50	Dr Siobhan Weare, Lecturer in Law, Lancaster University The experiences of men who are 'forced to penetrate' women. Result of the first empirical study of the subject in the UK.
11.50 – 11.55	Questions
11.55 – 12.20	Professor Mark Bellis, Professor in Public Health at Bangor University and Director of Policy, Research and International Development at Public Health Wales Adverse Childhood Experiences – Understanding and intervening in abusive lifecycles
12.20 – 12.25	Questions
12.25 – 12.45	Gillian Tully, Forensic Science Regulator Update in forensic science in sexual assault
12.45 – 12.50	Questions
12.50 – 13.30	Lunch
13.30 – 15.35	Workshops
15.35 – 16.00	Feedback and closing remarks

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Workshops – FIRST HOUR

Day one: Wednesday April 25th

Workshops A-D:
15.15 – 16.15

Day two: Thursday April 26th

Workshops A-D:
13.30 – 14.30

Workshop A	Location: Derby Suite
Title	Non-fatal strangulation project update
Content	<i>Understanding of the impact of non-fatal strangulation in rape cases for clients and update on criminal proceedings</i>
Speakers	Saint Mary's SARC non-fatal strangulation project group led by Dr Catherine White Susan Edwards, Professor of Law, Dean of Law, University of Birmingham
Chairs	Sara Wallwork, Detective Superintendent, Greater Manchester Police Jo Cunliffe, Crown Prosecution Service, Unit Head Rape and Serious Sexual Offence Unit, CPS NW
Workshop B	Location: Chester Suite
Title	Understanding the extent of sexual abuse among older people
Speakers	Chief Executive Action on Elder Abuse, Gary Fitzgerald
Chairs	Chris McLoughlin, Non-Executive Director, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust
Workshop C	April 25th ONLY Location: Lancaster Suite
Title	Monitoring and including LGBT survivors of rape or sexual assault
Content	<i>This session will help to answer questions and explore best practise around supporting LGBT survivors of rape or sexual assault, with a focus on monitoring and inclusion</i>
Speaker	Claudia Carvell, Womens Programme Co-ordinator, LGBT Foundation Manchester
Chair	Lisa Waters, Deputy Directorate Manager, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre
Workshop C	April 26th ONLY Location: Lancaster Suite
Title	Bite marks and their management
Content	<i>A primer on bite mark recognition and management in sexual assaults on children and adults</i>
Speaker	Professor Geoff Craig, Emeritus Professor of Oral Pathology and Forensic Odontology
Chair	Dr Christine Greenshaw, Forensic Physician Safe Place Merseyside
Workshop D	Location: Stanley Suite
Title	Child Sexual Exploitation
Content	<i>CSE Survivors perspective and how to encourage reporting and support</i>
Speakers	Zoe Cox, Manchester Reign Project Elicia Curtis, Manchester Reign Project Rebecca Murphy, Manchester Reign Project Evie McCulloch, Young People's Advocate for Child Sexual Exploitation, Saint Mary's SARC
Chair day one	Professor Andrew Rowland, Consultant in Paediatric Emergency Medicine
Chair day two	David Mckechie, Head of Safeguarding Development, INEQE

Workshops – SECOND HOUR

Day one: Wednesday April 25th

Workshops E-H:
16.20 – 17.15

Day two: Thursday April 26th

Workshops E-H:
14.35 – 15.30

Workshop E	Location: Stanley Suite
Title	Disclosure of evidence in criminal trials
Content	<i>Why problems have arisen and what is being done to tackle the issue</i>
Speaker	Martin Goldman, Chief Crown Prosecutor for the North West Greater Manchester Police Barbara Webster, Barrister, 5 Winckley Square, Preston (tbc)
Chair day one	HH Judge John Potter, Minshull Street Crown Court
Chair day two	HH Judge Steven Everett, Liverpool Crown Court
Workshop F	Location: Lancaster Suite
Title	Bridging the gap between domestic and sexual violence services
Content	<i>An overview of the emerging work of the 24hour domestic and sexual violence helpline</i>
Speakers	Sonya McMullan, Helpline Manager, Women's Aid, Northern Ireland Niaobh Adams, Deputy Helpline Manager, Women's Aid, Northern Ireland
Chair day one	Trevor Roberts, Counsellor, Survivors Manchester
Chair day two	Gayna Williams, Counsellor, Survivors Manchester
Workshop G	Location: Chester Suite
Title	Developing and evaluating group interventions for clients who have experienced sexual violence
Content	<i>This workshop will present findings of projects piloting group interventions delivered through SARCs</i>
Speakers	Nicky Paris, Assistant Directorate Manager, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre Judith Davis, Senior Counsellor, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre Shanaz Essafi, Former Senior Counsellor, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre Lisa Whitehead, Former Senior Counsellor, Saint Mary's Sexual Assault Referral Centre Roxanne Hammonds, Recovery Toolkit Manager, Rockpool Rush Nash, Manager, Cardiff Sexual Assault Referral Centre
Chair	Crown Prosecution Service (tbc)
Workshop H	Location: Derby Suite
Title	Forensic Sampling
Content	<i>Latest techniques and forensic sample strategies</i>
Speakers	Dr Bernadette Butler, Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine's Academic Dean Rachel Morgan, Forensic Reporting Scientist, Sexual Offences Scientific Lead, Cellmark Forensic Services
Chair day one	June Guinness, Forensic Science Regulator's office
Chair day two	Gillian Tully, Forensic Science Regulator

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