

The EAGLE Evidence Collection Checklist

The Scene

Unsanitary living conditions or unsafe environment (e.g. bedroom, common room, bathroom, kitchen, basement)

Presence or lack of food and drink, as well as the type of food and drink

Weapons, instruments of abuse, and signs of struggle

Locks on doors

Recording equipment (inside and outside of the home or other building)

Theft of property or personal items

Computer, flash drives

Presence of personal and financial records or other important papers

Additional Information_____

Evidence of Abuse

Untreated or inadequately explained bruises, lacerations, abrasions, fractures, injuries, ligature marks, restraints, or pressure ulcers of victim or suspect

Trauma to genital area or unexplained sexually transmitted infections

Prior injury and wounds

Inadequately explained or unusual mental status changes

Clothing worn at the time of the incident

Victim withdrawal, isolation, or reluctance to speak

Unattended medical needs or inadequate level of care

Additional Information _____

Medical, Mental Health, Cognitive, and Functional Conditions

Current medical condition

Apparent mental health condition (e.g. depression, anxiety)

Perceived cognitive impairment

Functional difficulties or frailty

Assistive devices (e.g., walker, cane, hearing aids, glasses)

Medications - prescription and over the counter (e.g., names, dosage, prescription date, expiration date, evidence of usage)

Additional information_____

Medical Records

Medical records and reports, X-ray and lab reports, prescriptions, assessments, orders, and notes (e.g., chronic medical conditions, function impairment, and frailty), from the emergency department, clinical care, hospital, long-term care facility, or institution.

Mental health records, reports, assessments, and notes (e.g., evaluation, confinement)

Psychological records, assessments, reports, and notes (e.g., capacity evaluation)

Relevant records maintained by various professionals, including treating clinician, primary care clinicians, pharmacists, dentists, wound care specialists, sexual assault nurse examiner, or medical examiners

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Legal Actions and Records

Criminal record and history (e.g. prior misdemeanor or felony charges and convictions)

Past or ongoing adult protective service reports

Past or existing court orders (e.g., elder abuse restraining orders, domestic violence restraining orders, guardianship or conservatorship proceedings)

Civil cases

Property deeds and transfers

Arrest reports, field identification cards, or 911 calls and recordings

Additional Information ______

Life Planning Documents

Power of attorney

Will and/or trust

Advance care directives

Supported decision making agreements

Letters of guardianship and/or conservatorship

Additional Information _____

Financial Records - Victim and Suspect

Bank and investment accounts, including statements, signatories, and ATM transfers Credit reports

Credit cards, including statements and authorized users

Checkbook registers and endorsed checks

Receipts or documentation of the purchase or transfer of real or personal property

Suspicious activity reports (SARs) and currency transaction reports (CTRs)

Additional Information ______

Interviews

Victim, witness, and alleged perpetrator(s)

Adult protective services caseworkers or long-term care ombudspersons

Health care professionals with knowledge of the parties, facts, or circumstances

Other individuals who interacted with or observed the victim or alleged perpetrator(s)

Additional Information _____

Documentation

Photographs of injuries and wounds, crime scene, home, and other relevant areas

Surveillance video

Social media accounts

Body-worn video

Recordings of victim, perpetrator, and witness statements, including demeanor, interactions, and verbal/non-verbal conduct

Additional Information _____

Note: The Evidence Collection Checklist is intended to be used as a resource for law enforcement, and is intended to supplement but not supplant orders, policies, or procedures applicable in your jurisdiction.