

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
- Injuries 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, Psychological, Cognitive, and Functional Conditions

- Current medical condition
- Apparent psychological 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.
- 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
- Additional Information _____

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.