

Non- Police Professional Pathway into Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC)

Oakwood Place is the dedicated SARC for Essex providing care to victims of rape and sexual assault.

Professional Pathway

From April 1, 2013, Oakwood Place can take client referrals from professionals when the client (men and women over 18) has been raped or sexually assaulted within the last 7 days.

Why within 7 days of the alleged assault?

As part of the process of reporting, clients will be offered a forensic examination in order to gather evidence, should they wish to report to police at a later date.

The opportunity to have a forensic examination depends on forensic timescales:

Digital penetration	48 hours
Oral penetration	2 days
Anal penetration	3 days
Vaginal penetration	7 days

Outside these timescales, the client will not be able to have a forensic examination but Oakwood Place can still advise on what follow-up care is available in their area.

Still unsure of what to do?

Contact Oakwood Place on **01277 240620** during office hours.



OPENING TIMES

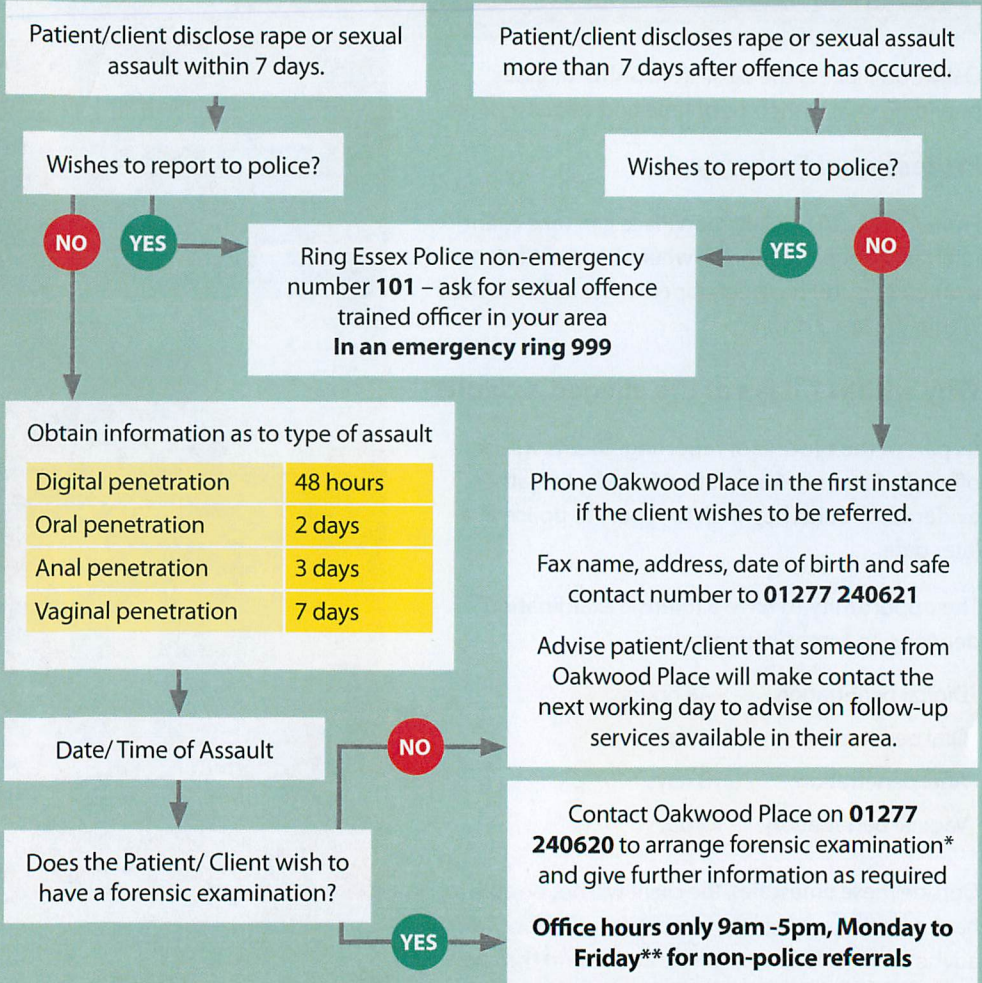
9am - 5pm

Monday - Friday

Excluding bank holidays

01277 240620

Non-Police Professional Pathway into SARC for those aged 18 and over



* If a forensic examination is required this will be by appointment only for those clients who do not request police involvement and they must be able to make their own way to and from the SARC - no transport is provided.

** 24/7 service continues as normal for all police referrals.