



**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: FEBRUARY 27, 2026

**SUBJECT: Agreement with Saint Joseph Health System, Inc. for Sexual Assault
Nurse Examiner Program for 2026**

Request: Council authorization to execute an agreement with Saint Joseph Health System, Inc. for the use of the emergency room as a clinical practice area for the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program—FY 2026.

Purpose of Request: The Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government has been awarded federal funds under the Violence Against Women Act by the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet for the continuation of the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program in the Division of Police. This program provides for the use of specially trained Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (S.A.N.E.s) for the performance of forensic examinations on the victims of sexual assault. In order to provide the victims of sexual assault with maximum privacy, only one area hospital emergency room will be used for all examinations.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? Saint Joseph Health System, Inc. has agreed to provide an allocation of emergency room space to this program at no cost. Future budget years cost is dependent on available grant funding.

Are the funds budgeted? N/A

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Director/Commissioner: Weathers/Armstrong

