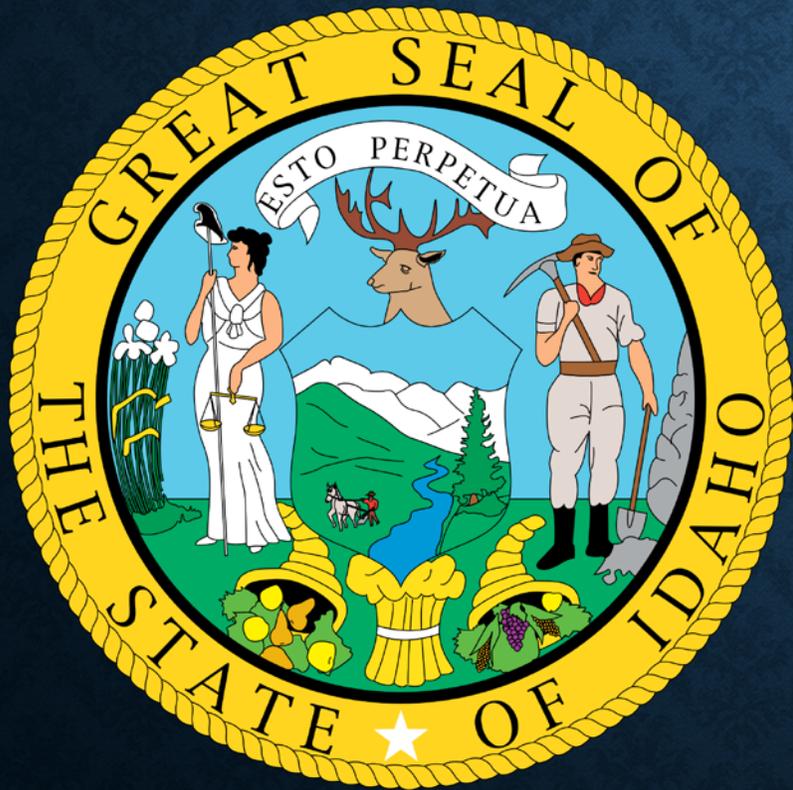


ISP FORENSIC SERVICES UPDATE ON SEXUAL ASSAULT KIT TRACKING



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OVERVIEW

- Organization of ISPFS
- Turnaround Times
- Annual Legislative Report Data
- Idaho Sexual Assault Kit Initiative
- Looking Forward



INTRODUCTION TO ISPFs



ISPFs Coeur d'Alene Laboratory



ISPFs Meridian Laboratory



ISPFs Pocatello Laboratory



<http://www.isp.idaho.gov/forensics/index.html>

ACCREDITATION



- First accreditation 1987
- First ISO 17025:2005 accreditation in 2007
- Reaccreditation every 4 years
- Just switched accrediting bodies (competitive contract)
 - Current accreditation with A2LA through 2021
 - Over **500** management and analytical requirements
- Yearly internal audit and external assessment of each lab



INTRODUCTION TO ISPFS

Service	Coeur d'Alene	Meridian	Pocatello
Controlled Substances Analysis	X	X	X
Crime Scene General	X	X	X
Crime Scene Clan Labs	X	X	X
Fire/Arson Evidence Analysis	X		
Firearms/Toolmarks/NIBIN	X		
Footwear/Tiretrack			
DNA		X	
Biology Screening		X	
DNA Database		X	
Latent Print Processing		X	
Latent Print Comparison		X	
Blood Alcohol	X	X	X
Breath Alcohol Instrument Calibration	X	X	X
Drugs in Blood	X		X
Drugs in Urine	X		X

LABORATORY TURNAROUND TIMES:

ISPFS Evidence Analysis Turnaround

(Please contact the lab if a specific case needs a quicker turnaround time to meet court requirements)

Alcohol / Volatiles	Breath Alcohol Inst.	Controlled Substances	Biology Screening	Sexual Assault Kits	DNA	DNA Database	Fire Evidence	Firearms / Toolmarks	Footwear & Impressions	Latent Prints	Blood Toxicology	Urine Toxicology
ISPFS Average Turnaround Goals (in days)												
30	30	30	30	90	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
Current ISPFS Average Turnaround (in days)												
9	< 30	6	120	208	208	10	14	21	N/A	70	34	31
ISPFS Longest Anticipated Turnaround Time (in days)												
43	30	49	229	495	648	8	63	75	N/A	328	74	54
Number of Cases Currently in Lab Longer than Statigic Turnaround Time												
4	0	3	288	348	227	0	2	6	N/A	105	11	7
Data As Of 12/31/2018												

IDAHO SEXUAL ASSAULT KIT TRACKING SYSTEM (IKTS)

In January of 2017 Idaho became the first state to fully implement a state-wide sexual assault kit tracking system. **This tracking system provides more public accountability and transparency, allows victims to see the state taking this issue seriously, provides better direction and tools to law enforcement, provides more resources to the state forensic laboratory, and ultimately provides a better criminal justice system.**

<https://www.isp.idaho.gov/SexualAssaultKitTracking>

This site tracks sexual assault kits issued by the State of Idaho



Authorizing Legislation

This website enables the tracking of sexual assault evidence kits* in the state of Idaho in compliance with [Idaho Code Chapter 29, Title 67, Section 67-2919](#).

**"Sexual assault evidence kit" means a set of materials, such as swabs and tools for collecting blood samples, used to gather forensic evidence from a victim of reported sexual assault and the evidence obtained with such materials.*

[Sexual Assault Victim Notification Form and Waiver](#)



IKTS

Instructions

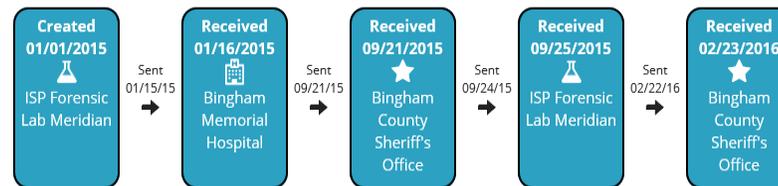
Victims of sexual assault can view the history and current status of their sexual assault evidence kit by entering the sexual assault evidence kit tracking # in the "serial number" box above and clicking the adjacent search button with the magnifying glass icon (Q)

Authorized medical, law enforcement, county prosecutor, and lab personnel should select "Login" and enter their unique Username and Password to manage the status of sexual assault evidence kits under the jurisdiction of their agency.



Sexual Assault Kit #02000

Status: **Analyzed by lab**



Collection Date 09/21/2015

Created 01/01/2015

ISP Forensic Lab Meridian created the kit.

Sent 01/15/2015

ISP Forensic Lab Meridian sent the kit to Bingham Memorial Hospital.

Received 01/16/2015

Bingham Memorial Hospital received the kit from ISP Forensic Lab Meridian.

IDAHO SEXUAL ASSAULT KIT TRACKING SYSTEM (IKTS)

• Training

- In 2018, ISPFS hosted live internet based training, in-person onsite training, and interactive telephone training and refresher sessions
- The Sexual Assault Kit Tracking Administrator will continue to provide introductory and ongoing training to all IKTS users (medical, law enforcement, prosecutor's office)

• IKTS Usage & Sharing

- 34 average monthly visitors to the public site and 20-25 daily logins from medical, law enforcement, laboratory, prosecutor users
- Inquiry on IKTS software received from 25 states, 3 major cities, and 5 prominent national organizations.
- North Carolina went live in 2018 with our IKTS software
- ISPFS is currently working with the Puerto Rican government to implement IKTS
- ~ 17 publications in Idaho media

BY THE NUMBERS:

Calendar Year 2018	
Kits Purchased by ISPFS	640 kits
Kits Distributed by ISPFS	479 kits
Kits Collected	473 kits
Average time to lab	17 days
Kits not submitted per state statute	78 kits
Kits submitted to the lab	620 kits
Completed lab testing at ISPFS	371 kits
Current kits pending at the lab	689 kits
Oldest kit in the ISPFS Lab	495 days

CHALLENGES IDENTIFIED:

- Time restraint of Legislative Report does not allow for complete 2018 kit reporting
- Adjustments to 2016 audit
- 30 day timeframe for law enforcement to submit to the lab
- No statutory requirement for medical facilities or reviews
- Communication by administrator with IKTS users
- LE interpreting Idaho Statute
- IKTS Administrator position turnover



VALIDATIONS

- Validation of new instrumentation
- DNA mixture analysis software
- Biology Y-screening
- DNA Y-STRs
- Lean Six Sigma



SANE/SART COORDINATOR:

- Nurse Administrator/Trainer
- Federal Grant Funding
 - SANE/SART Position for 4 years
 - Introductory SANE training
 - Equipment for at least 25 collection centers
- Position at ISPFS
- Support SANE 250 initiative
- Provide ongoing introductory and live exercises
- Coordination of SART programs



THE IDAHO SEXUAL ASSAULT KIT INITIATIVE (ISAKI)

- This volunteer policy advisory group consists of state and local law enforcement representing agencies of all types and sizes:
 - Forensic laboratory personnel (ISPFS)
 - Prosecutor
 - Public defender
 - Judge
 - Court representative
 - Victim advocates
 - Idaho Counsel on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance
 - Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence
 - Victim compensation fund administrators
 - Sexual assault nurse examiners (SANEs)
 - Physician
 - Hospital administrators
 - State legislator
 - University researchers
 - Department of Health and Welfare
 - Victim Witness Coordinators
- **Issues addressed by ISAKI this year:**
 - Payment for medical forensic exams
 - Increased sexual assault training for law enforcement
 - Published the first “Idaho Sexual Assault Response Guidelines” this year. This publication discusses medical, laboratory, law enforcement, and prosecutorial response to sexual assault in Idaho
 - Order of protection for sex assault victims from their attacker
 - A “test all” kits initiative

ISAKI MEMBERS

- Matthew Gamette—ISPFs Laboratory System Director (Chair)
- Cyndi Hall—State CODIS Administrator & ISPFs Quality Manager
- Christina Straub—ISPFs Sexual Assault Kit Tracking Administrator
- Rylene Nowlin—ISPFs Meridian Lab Manager
- Anne Wardle—ISPFs SANE/SART Coordinator
- Major Charlie Spencer—ISP Police Services Major
- Jean Fisher—Ada County Prosecutor
- Grant Loebbs—Twin Falls County Prosecutor
- Darren Mitchell—Boise City Police Department Detective Sergeant
- Nicole Fitzgerald—Executive Director Idaho Council on Domestic Violence & Victim Assistance
- Ransom Bailey—Ada County Judge
- Kelly Miller---Executive Director Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence
- Cyndee Cook—RN SANE (FACES) Forensic SAFE Team Coordinator in Ada County
- Linda Darby---ER Nurse (Gritman Medical Center--Moscow)
- Jennifer Landhuis---Victim Advocate
- Bea Black—Executive Director Women’s and Children’s Alliance
- Representative Melissa Wintrow—Idaho Legislature
- Vaughn Killeen—Idaho Sheriffs Association
- Craig Kingsbury—Idaho Chiefs of Police Association (Twin Falls Police Chief)
- Dr. Matt Cox—Ada County Physician (CARES)
- Angela Weekes—Nampa Police Department Detective
- Melissa Nicodemus—RN SANE-Canyon County SAFE Coordinator (Nampa Family Justice Center)
- Toni Lawson—Idaho Hospital Association
- Tammara Tarvin—Idaho Sheriffs Association
- Christy Able-- Idaho Industrial Commission (Idaho Victim Compensation)
- Jeff Wilson—Orofino Police Department (OPD Chief)
- Casey Green—Moscow Police Department (University of Idaho)
- Danielle Swerin—Senior Research Analyst, Idaho State Police Statistical Analysis Center
- Dr. Laura King—Associate Professor, Boise State University Department of Criminal Justice
- Danica Comstock—Ada County Public Defender’s Office
- Jason Spillman—Idaho Supreme Court
- Annie Pelletier—Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence
- Eric Skoglund—Nampa Police Department Detective
- Curt Crum—Boise Police Department Administrator
- Julia Brotzman—Idaho State Police Grants and Planning
- Kara Thompson—Idaho State Police Grants and Planning
- Karl Noah—Bonneville County Sheriff’s Office
- Kathleen Palmer—Idaho Department of Health and Welfare
- Katherine Kerner—St. Lukes Women’s Health
- Janet Lawler—Ada County Victim/Witness Coordinator

NOW AND INTO THE FUTURE:

- All turnaround times under 30 days
- New Biology/DNA Examiners
- SANE/SART Coordinator – Hired on 1/28/19!
- SANE Training throughout Idaho
- Establish SARTs throughout Idaho
- Continue the work of ISAKI

