

# THE ALASKA COMPREHENSIVE FORENSIC TRAINING ACADEMY LAUNCHING MARCH 2019



Alaska's Council on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault



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## The statistics are startling.

- *Each victim of violence deserves to be treated with dignity and respect, and to have evidence of the crimes committed against them preserved for future prosecution.*
- *Unfortunately, many areas of the state lack the ability to document and collect medical evidence to help protect victims of crime.*
- *Forensic evidence collection requires the necessary knowledge, skills, and abilities to do so from the onset of patient care.*
- *ACFTA offers nurses and health care professionals across the state training to ensure trauma informed care for victims of violence which will ultimately promote justice for all victims in Alaska.*



**75% of Alaskans have experienced or know someone** who has experienced domestic violence or sexual assault.



**An assault in Alaska occurs every hour.**



Alaska's rate of **child mistreatment is 69.3% higher** than the national average.



The Alaska rate for **Elder physical abuse is 2.4 times the national rate.** Elder psychological abuse is 1.6 times higher than the national rate.

## The Alaska Comprehensive Forensic Training Academy (ACFTA) consists of:



20-25 hours  
online



20-25 hours  
face-to-face



Alaska  
Comprehensive  
Forensic Training  
Academy

ACFTA will provide communities with forensically trained providers to respond to any victim reporting trauma and/or violence in Alaska's communities.

To sign up log on to <http://alaskanurse.litmos.com/online-courses/>.

## Alaska Comprehensive Forensic Training Academy opens for registration MARCH 2019

This nursing Continuing Education (CE) activity is jointly provided by the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA), the UAA College of Health, and the Alaska Nurses Association (AANA).