

Effective October 1, 2015, CT Public Act 15-207 requires the Connecticut Division of Scientific Services to analyze all sexual assault cases except those submitted as “anonymous.” The “anonymous” cases will be maintained for five years and analyzed upon a formal request.

Sexual assault kits that have been collected and submitted to the Division of Scientific Services indicating that the case is closed and/or has no criminal association will be analyzed. When a DNA profile from a source other than the victim and of sufficient quality for database searching purposes is generated in this type of case, the DNA profile will be entered into the SDIS level of CODIS and searched accordingly. Any candidate matches resulting from CODIS searches of these DNA profiles will be evaluated and any positive associations will be confirmed and notification sent according to SOP 15.

An Investigation Status Inquiry letter (see below template) communicating this action will be sent to the State’s Attorney at the appropriate Judicial District for the case. This letter will include a request for the State’s Attorney’s office to provide verification that probable cause exists to indicate a crime has occurred to establish eligibility of the profile for upload to the NDIS level of CODIS and to determine whether the profile should be removed from the State level of CODIS.

Upon receipt of a positive response (Probable cause: YES) from the State’s Attorney’s Office the DNA profile will be marked for upload to NDIS if it also meets all other NDIS requirements and a Change in Profile Status form sent to the submitting agency.

Upon receipt of a negative response (Probable cause: NO) from the State’s Attorney’s Office the DNA profile shall be deleted from SDIS and a Change in Profile Status form sent to the submitting agency.

DNA profiles generated from sexual assault investigations which lack any information regarding the status of the case and/or criminal association will be entered into the SDIS level of CODIS. The receipt of any case information will initiate a reevaluation of the eligibility of upload to the NDIS level of CODIS. Any candidate matches resulting from CODIS searches of these DNA profiles will be evaluated and any positive associations will be confirmed and notification sent according to SOP 15.

Approved by Director: Dr. Guy Vallaro

DNA profiles shall be removed from CODIS if at any time the State's Attorney's Office determines no criminal element to the investigation. A written communication of this information must be received from the appropriate State's Attorney to initiate removal of a DNA profile from CODIS.

*Approved by Director: Dr. Guy Vallaro***Investigation Status Inquiry**

Date: _____

To: _____ State's Attorney's Office
SA Michael Gailor, Middlesex State's Attorney's Office

Laboratory #: _____

Submitting Agency: _____

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The examination of the above case has been completed by the DNA Unit. A DNA profile from this case has been entered and searched at the state level of CODIS.

This case has been identified by the submitting agency as either a closed case or a case with no criminal association. If no probable cause exists, the profile(s) associated with this case will be deleted from the state level of CODIS. If probable cause exists, the profile(s) associated with this case will remain at the state level of CODIS and will be marked for upload to the national level of CODIS if eligible.

Please designate whether there is probable cause to indicate a crime has been committed in this investigation.

Probable Cause: YES NO (please circle)_____
Signature of State's Attorney_____
Date_____
Printed name of State's Attorney

Return this form to DSS DNA Unit by email, CTCODIS@ct.gov, or fax (203-639-6485).