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AGREEMENT FOR FORENSIC BIOLOGY ANALYSIS OUTSOURCING

I, Deborah Faulkner as the representative of Franklin Police Dept. authorize the TBI-Forensic Services Division to send sexual assault evidence to an accredited outsourcing laboratory for analysis.

I understand the TBI Forensic Biology Unit will review any DNA profiles obtained during analysis by the outsourcing laboratory to determine their suitability for upload into the CODIS database. TBI will submit all eligible profiles to CODIS and manage any and all CODIS matches.

Furthermore, I understand the agreement includes one day of travel for testimony per case at no additional cost to our agency. Any fees/costs associated with additional testimony may be the responsibility of our agency.

Signature: _____

Deborah Faulkner
Chief of Police
Franklin Police Dept.

Date: 02-19-2020



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The TBI recognizes that forensic services must be correct, timely, and meet the requirements of testimony for criminal prosecution. In an effort to better serve the needs of the Criminal Justice System we will be outsourcing a number of Sexual Assault Kits (SAKs) to an accredited private laboratory for Forensic Biology testing. This outsourced testing should provide you more timely results for currently submitted cases, reduce the backlog of untested cases at the TBI Crime Laboratories, and improve our ability to serve future cases. In addition to testing, the vendor is required by contract to provide one (1) day of criminal court testimony per case, as needed, at the vendor's expense, including travel cost, lodging, per diem and testimony fees, in perpetuity.

Requirements placed upon the TBI Forensic Services Division by our accrediting body compel us to gain permission from you, our customer, prior to forwarding any evidence for outsourced testing. The funding for this project is time-sensitive, and we need to submit the evidence to the vendor laboratory as soon as possible. As such, please complete the attached "Customer Agreement" form and return it to us by February 21, 2020. The form may be faxed to 615-744-4668, emailed to Chad.Johnson@tn.gov, or mailed to 901 R.S. Gass Blvd., Nashville, TN 37216.

Should you have any questions, or if you have any cases that you need exempted from this process, please contact me at 615-744-4488.

Sincerely,

Mike Lytle
Assistant Director
TBI Forensic Services Division



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