Proposed Criteria for Ohio SAFE Program Competency Requirements for *MD or APN or PA* Conducting Non-Acute Child Sexual Abuse Evaluations

Medical/ forensic evaluations are provided by MD or APN or PA with pediatric experience and child abuse expertise at an appropriate facility.

Medical provider must demonstrate that (s)he meets at least ONE of the following *Training Standards*:

- Child Abuse Fellowship training or Child Abuse Pediatrics Boarded
- Documentation of satisfactory completion of competency-based training in the performance of child abuse evaluations
- Documentation of 16 hours of formal medical training in child sexual abuse evaluation and/or equivalent experience of peer-reviewed child sexual abuse evaluations

In addition, there must be demonstration of the following *Continuous Quality Improvement* Activities:

- Ongoing education in the field of child sexual abuse consisting of a minimum of 3 hours per every 2 years of CEU/CME credits
- Photodocumented examinations are reviewed with advanced medical consultants. Review of all exams with positive findings is strongly encouraged.

The provider should have a system in place so that consultation with an established expert or experts in sexual abuse medical evaluation is available when a second opinion is needed regarding a case in which physical or laboratory findings are felt to be abnormal.

The provider should be familiar and keep up to date with published research studies on findings in abused and non-abused children, sexual transmission of infections in children, and current medical guidelines and recommendations from national professional organizations such as the American Academy of Pediatrics Committee on Child Abuse and Neglect and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.