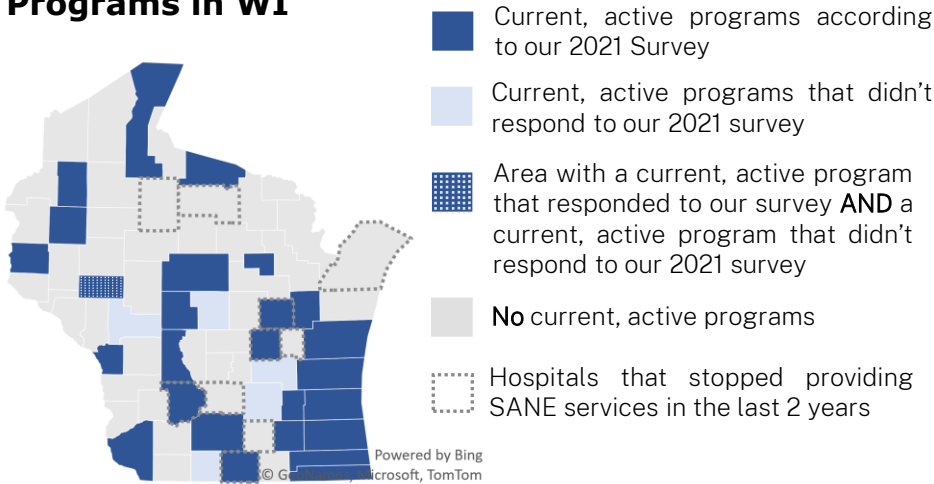


# Wisconsin Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Survey Results

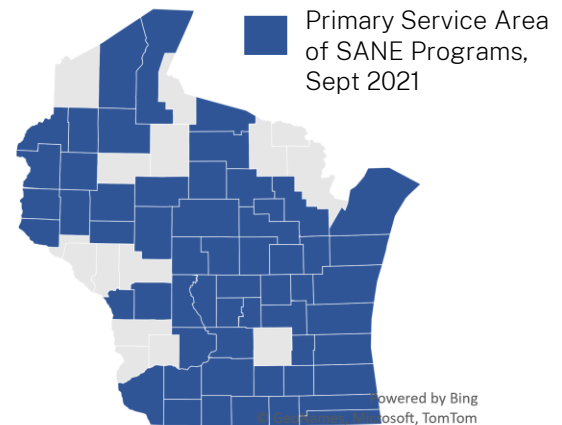


In Fall 2021 the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) SANE program disseminated a survey to SANE programs across the state to improve SANE sustainability and help identify how Wisconsin DOJ can better support SANE programs and nurses. The survey was disseminated to 34 programs across the state with a 79.4% response rate. Below are the results from the 27 survey responses.

## Locations of SANE Programs in WI



## WI Counties Served by SANE Programs



## Supporting SANE Programs



On average, if programs had a higher budget, they would prioritize using the additional money for continuing education/training, adding more nurses, and raising the salaries of existing nurses, respectively.



Programs report that experience and consistency of case load, continuing education/training, and guidance from the state contribute to how competent and qualified SANE nurses in their programs feel, respectively.



Only 5 programs that we surveyed were able to provide estimates for net loss of their program in 2020. Their responses ranged from \$40,000 to \$500,000. Thus, we'd like to look more into how we may be able to obtain more robust estimates on net loss.

We asked what support should the DOJ SANE program be providing that we are not currently. The top responses included...



Continuing Education



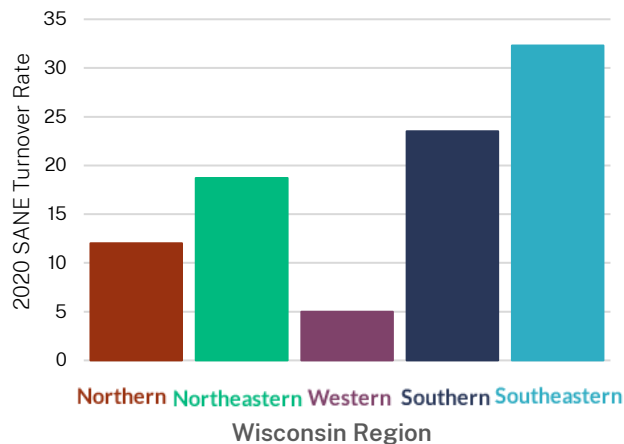
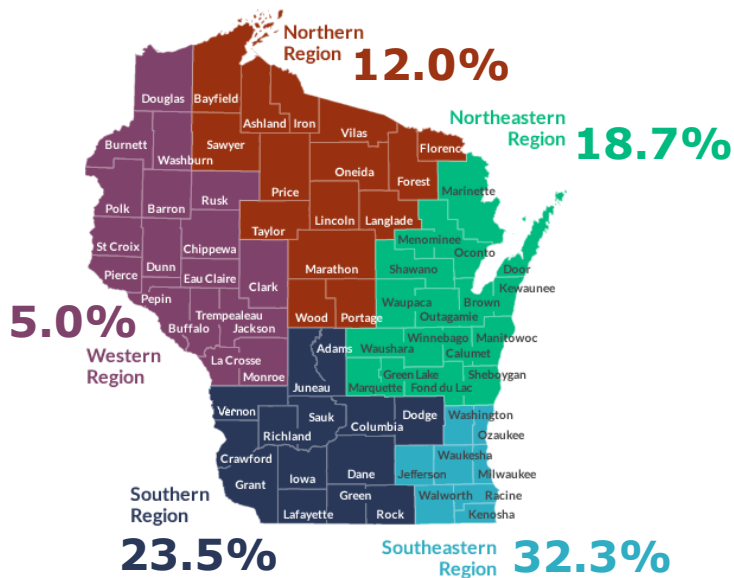
Infrastructure for Peer-to-Peer Support



Refresher Class and More Online Training Options

# 2020 SANE turnover rate

An important component of program sustainability is the turnover rate of nurses. We asked programs for their SANE turnover rate from 2020 (calculated by dividing the total number of SANE departures in 2020 by the average number of SANEs during 2020 and multiplying by 100). From their responses, we calculated the average turnover rate by Wisconsin region.



Programs thought their turnover rate was low because their SANEs were committed to the work, were not required to take call, and had peer support.



Programs thought their turnover rate was high because their SANEs were juggling dual roles or secondary jobs, lacked sufficient cases and confidence, and were navigating personal reasons.

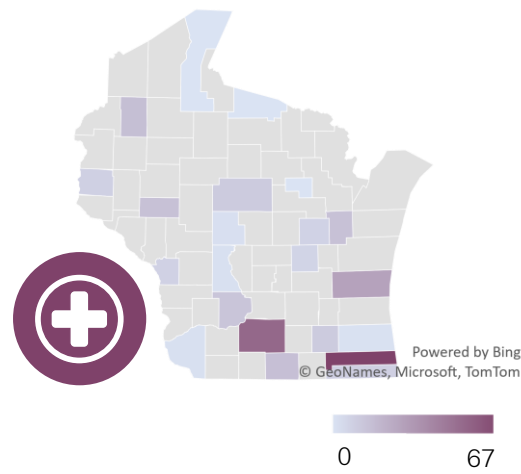
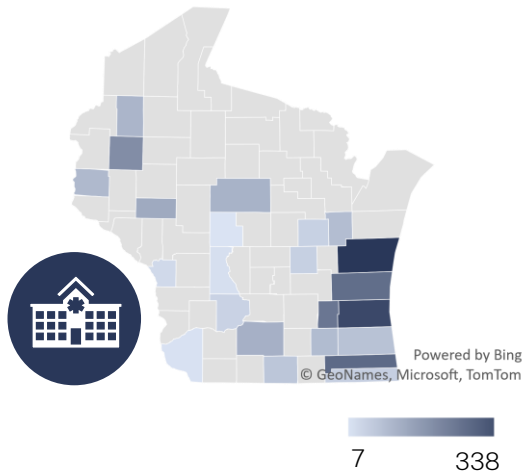
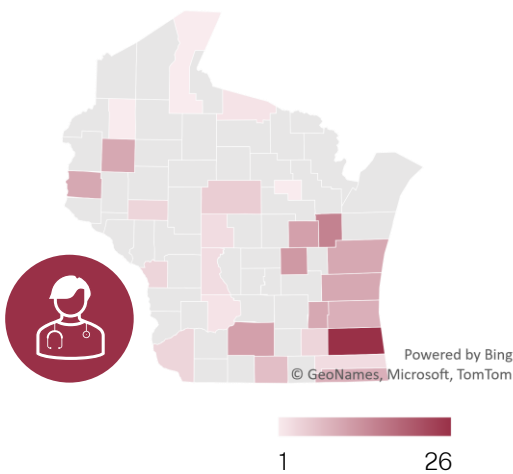
# Sexual Assault Caseload on SANEs

The 27 programs reported 194 SANEs practicing and 1,698 exams conducted in 2020. From this, we created two estimates of sexual assault burden. Due to caveats based on available data, these maps display where the exam took place, not necessarily where the assault occurred or the only place to receive SANE services.

SANEs practicing \*

SANE exams per 100,000 persons \*\*

SANE exams per SANE nurse \*\*\*



\* We defined practicing by SANEs who have seen a patient or are otherwise actively engaged within the past 6 months

\*\* Using population estimates (2019 5 year American Community Survey) we calculated SANE exams per 100,000 persons at a county level

\*\*\* We created a ratio of sexual assault burden to nurses at a county level by dividing the number of SANE exams reported in 2020 by the number of practicing nurses in 2020 in that county and multiplying by 100, where a higher value corresponds to, on average, more exams per nurse in the county.