

## **Department of Medical and Surgical Specialties, Radiological Sciences and Public Health - Università degli Studi di Brescia, Brescia (Italy)**

Brescia Forensic Medicine Institute (University of Brescia) is located inside “Spedali Civili di Brescia” hospital (one of the most important hospitals in Italy).

The staff includes 8 MD specialized in forensic medicine, 4 biologists, 10 lab technicians, 3 secretaries, 2 MD attending forensic medicine specialization and 1 PhD student.

Main activities are:

- 24 hours/7 days availability for clinical forensic examinations and counselling visits in cases of suspected child abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault
- Close cooperation with Police Forces, Prosecutors, Judges and lawyers
- Forensic and clinical autopsies
- Malpractice cases evaluation both in penal and civil Court
- Toxicological, Forensic Genetics and Histopathology Laboratories

Regarding the clinical forensic examinations, this is due whenever requested by the colleagues of the hospital departments (mainly Emergency wards), or directly by Police Forces or Prosecutors. During forensic examinations we provide a deep visit, with accurate description of any lesions; if necessary we take pictures and swabs (almost in sexual violence cases). All the activities are carried out according to validated protocols. If necessary, we take care of the communication with Police Forces and Prosecutors.

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