

Prioritizing Cold Case CODIS Hit Follow-up:

Organization Level 1

- a. Suspect is in custody (in or out of state) or is not in custody and has at least one arrest/conviction for a prior sex offense.
- b. Suspect's release date is within 12 months.
- c. Suspect has at least one arrest/conviction for a prior sex offense.
- d. Suspect can be located with minimal effort.¹
- e. There is a high degree of confidence the CODIS hit belongs to the suspect and not the victim's consensual partner or another person.
- f. Victim has been located and is willing to participate in investigation and prosecution processes.
- g. The case appears to have a high likelihood of judicial success.

Organization Level 2

- a. Suspect is in custody (in or out of state).
- b. Suspect's release date is more than 1 year away.
- c. Suspect has prior and post DNA matches for another crime.
- d. Suspect is not in custody but could be located with minimal effort.¹
- e. An elimination sample from the victim's consensual partner has not been collected; however, the consensual partner can be located.
- f. Victim can be located with minimal effort¹ and, based on the investigative filing, is believed to want to prosecute.
- g. The case appears to have a reasonable likelihood of judicial success.

Organization Level 3

- a. Suspect is not in custody and has no prior sex offenses or has been in custody for more than 10 years.
- b. An elimination sample from the victim's consensual partner has not been collected and the consensual partner cannot be located.
- c. Suspect is not in custody and has no prior violent offenses.
- d. Victim cannot be located.