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Dr. Bethany Copper is a forensic nurse and nurse educator with over ten years of forensic nursing experience. She has worked in various settings, from large, urban trauma centers to critical access hospitals. She is a board-certified adult/adolescent and pediatric Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner. She earned a bachelor's degree in Molecular Biology from Grove City College and her diploma in nursing from Mercy Hospital's School of Nursing. Her BSN and MSN in nursing education were completed at Robert Morris University. She earned her Doctor of Nursing Practice degree from the Pennsylvania State University.

As a forensic nurse, Bethany specializes in caring for patients who experience sexual violence, intimate partner violence, strangulation, human trafficking, physical assault, elder abuse, and child abuse. She has provided initial and ongoing forensic education and teaches forensic nursing at the master's level. Bethany currently serves as the Vice-Chair of the Commission for Forensic Nursing Certification.