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CHILD AND INFANT DEATH INVESTIGATIONS

By

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Retired Senior Crime Laboratory Analyst
Certified by State of Florida in Crime Scene
Analysis and Bloodstain Pattern Analysis.

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ABOUT YOUR INSTRUCTOR:

Jan Johnson is retired from the State of Florida with over forty years of experience in law enforcement. After ten years with the F.B.I., Jan made the transition to crime scene analysis. She is recognized by the IAI as a Certified Senior Crime Scene Analyst and worked for the FDLE in Pensacola for over twenty-two years. As a laboratory analyst and crime scene examiner, her field of experience includes detection, collection, and preservation of physical evidence, bloodstain pattern interpretation, trajectory analysis, buried body and skeletal remains recovery, clandestine laboratories, and other numerous procedures involving crime scene investigation. Due to her expertise in bloodstain pattern interpretation and crime scene reconstruction and analysis, Jan has testified in over one hundred criminal cases as an expert witness. Before retiring in 2004, Jan spent three years with the Escambia County Sheriff's Office where she was supervisor of the Crime Scene and Latent Print units, as well as overseer of ECSO's new crime lab, which she designed. Jan served in the highly distinguished role of President of the IAI in 2004, and Chairman of the Board in 2005, and considers herself as having the privilege of being on the IAI's original Crime Scene Certification Board. Jan also served as President for the Florida Division of the IAI as well as Chairman for the BOD in 2008. She continues to serve on numerous committees with both the IAI and FDIAI. Jan has taught numerous courses in the areas of both Crime Scene and Bloodstain Pattern Interpretation in the United States and abroad, including South Africa, Brazil, and Bermuda.



JAN JOHNSON, CSCSA

COURSE DATES: MAY 17 - 19, 2021
8:00AM - 5:00PM

LOCATION: CARROLL COUNTY
PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING CENTER
50 KATE WAGNER ROAD
WESTMINSTER, MD 21157

RECOMMENDED LODGING: BEST WESTERN
451 WMC DRIVE
WESTMINSTER, MD 21158
PHONE (410) 857 - 1900

HOSTING AGENCY: CARROLL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
HOST CONTACT: BRITTANEY SOTO (410) 386 - 2573 OR BSOTO@CARROLLCOUNTYMD.GOV
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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Crime scene technicians, detectives and investigators from all levels of experience, child protection team members, state and defense attorneys and nurses will benefit from this training as we cover the topic of child and infant death investigations. The presentations will cover medicolegal, crime scene, and autopsy finding aspects of the subject. We will specifically discuss scene processing, evidence collection and investigative techniques as they relate to child death investigations. Child and infant death investigations require a unique approach and can be complicated for even the most seasoned investigator. The training will thoroughly cover the numerous aspects of these investigative cases and promote critical thinking and evaluation of these crime scenes and all the puzzle pieces to help delineate homicides from accidental and natural deaths, even in the most subtle of cases. Actual case scenarios will be presented with attendees solving the cases in small working groups with hands-on review of actual forensic case materials.



COURSE TOPICS:

- Classification of child deaths
- SIDS and SUIDS
- Child abuse injuries and differential diagnosis
- Initial Approach to death investigations
- Hospital presentations of abuse cases
- Accidental v homicide deaths
- Abusive head trauma
- SBS and findings
- Investigative difficulties
- General scene documentation & photography of physical evidence
- Sexual abuse cases
- Approach to interviews
- Elements of successful prosecution
- Biological evidence detection and collection,
- Report writing and bullet-proofing reports
- Courtroom testimony (time permitting)

WHAT TO BRING TO CLASS:

Casual attire is suitable.
A laptop computer for note-taking and a camera for mock scene documentation are recommended but not required.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is designed to educate crime scene technicians, detectives and investigators of all levels. State Attorneys, Defense Attorneys, as well as nurses and child protection team personnel will benefit from the presented materials.

