

Child Death Investigations: A Team Approach

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LOCATION: 1004 - 9th Ave North Texas City, TX

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ABOUT THE COURSE

This is a one-day comprehensive overview of the proper response to a child death scene. The investigator will gain the perspective of the Prosecutor, Medical Examiner and Child Protective Services. The team approach is a unique method utilized in the investigation of child injury and death. The investigator will learn what is required for prosecution of cases involving children as victims. The investigator will learn about cause of death findings in cases in sudden natural deaths including infectious diseases and inherited conditions. Sudden Infant Death Syndrome will be covered in depth, with emphasis on important interview questions, scene investigations, and autopsy findings. The information will be taught through visual presentation of cases, including scene findings, and autopsy findings.

YOU WILL LEARN

- Known Causes of Death in Infants, Toddlers, and Older Children
- Common Accidental Injury Patterns from Inflicted Injury Patterns
- Recognize Natural Conditions Often Mistaken for Abuse
- Common Victim / Perpetrator Characteristics in Injury and Investigations
- "Recurring Themes" And Findings in Neonaticide and Factitious Illness
- Scene Investigative Techniques Unique to Pediatric Age Range
- Complexity and Specificity Required in Pediatric Death Investigation
- Importance of Re-Creating the Event in the Interview
- Importance of the Team Approach

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR



Brian Harris began his career in 1986, later joining the Houston Police Department (HPD) in 1993. In 1995 he was promoted to Detective and assigned to Homicide. He holds a Masters degree from Mountain State University and an undergraduate degree from Sam Houston State University. He has been featured national and locally in TIME magazine, ABC's 20/20, Primetime, the History Channel, and Fox News Channel. He has trained hundreds of officers in Interviews & Interrogations, Homicide Investigation, and a variety of other courses. He developed the HPD's Interview & Interrogation training program, the

Advanced Interviewing Program, the Basic Investigator's School, and the Police Recruiting Interview School. In 2016, he retired as a Sergeant from the HPD. In 2017, Brian returned to law enforcement, becoming the Chief Deputy at the Harris County Constable's Office, Precinct #5.

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