



Conference Presentations and Keynote:

Training Title: *Trauma – What is it and How Does it Relate to Disclosures?*

Description: This training delves into the neurobiology of trauma and its impact on victims, particularly in the context of sexual assault disclosures. Participants will gain an understanding of how trauma affects brain function and behavior, influencing how and when victims disclose their experiences. The session aims to equip the audience with the knowledge and skills to approach these disclosures with sensitivity and awareness, ensuring their interactions are informed by the latest insights into trauma's effects. (90 minutes)

Intended Audience: Advocates, Judges, Law enforcement, Public Safety, Title IX, SANEs, Prosecutors, Child Protection, Child Advocacy Center staff, Healthcare.

Training Title: *10 Steps to Consider With Your Sexual Assault Investigation*

Description: This module provides detectives with a strategic framework for conducting sexual assault investigations, particularly in cases involving historical disclosures with minimal initial evidence. Participants will learn ten critical steps to enhance their investigative approach, including best practices for evidence collection, victim interviews, and leveraging technology and community resources. By the end of the session, detectives will be better equipped to navigate the complexities of these challenging cases and build stronger, more effective investigations. (90 minutes)

Intended Audience: Advocates, Judges, Law enforcement, Public Safety, Title IX, SANEs, Prosecutors, Child Protection.



Conference Presentations and Keynote:

Training Title: *Internet Crimes Against Children – Field Operations*

Description: This training addresses the pervasive issue of child sexual abuse material (CSAM) and provides detectives with essential strategies for managing these complex cases. Participants will explore methods for identifying and investigating internet crimes against children, with a strong emphasis on rescuing and protecting victims. The session will cover the latest tools, techniques, and collaborative approaches to enhance field operations, ensuring a coordinated and effective response to this critical challenge. (90 minutes)

Intended Audience: Advocates, Judges, Law enforcement, Public Safety, Title IX, SANEs, Prosecutors, Child Protection, Child Advocacy Center staff.

Training Title: *Arrests Don't Always Occur - Victim-Centered Principles when Conducting a Criminal Investigation*

Description: This course focuses on integrating victim-centered principles into criminal investigations, emphasizing procedural justice to improve survivors' experiences. Participants will learn to identify key principles such as neutrality, respect, voice, and trustworthiness, creating an environment prioritizing the survivor's well-being. The course will cover practices and policies that ensure high-quality, skilled, and compassionate investigations. Through case reviews, attendees will gain insights into the profound impact of their role, recognizing the trust survivors place in them during some of the most challenging moments of their lives. (90 minutes)

Intended Audience: Advocates, Judges, Law enforcement, Public Safety, Title IX, SANEs, Prosecutors, Child Protection, Child Advocacy Center staff, Healthcare



Conference Presentations and Keynote:

Training Title: *Beyond Boundaries: Uniting Law Enforcement and Advocates in Sexual Assault Response*

Description: This course delves into the complex dynamics between law enforcement and advocates, focusing on their collaborative efforts to support survivors of sexual assault. Participants will explore historical tensions and challenges, gaining insight into the importance of fostering partnerships for survivor-centered responses. The course will analyze the critical role of Sexual Assault Response Teams (SARTs) and Multi-Disciplinary Teams (MDTs), emphasizing their significance across diverse demographics and communities. Attendees will develop effective strategies for engaging with law enforcement, promoting cooperation, and enhancing communication. Through compelling case studies and success stories, the course will illustrate the tangible outcomes of successful collaborations, offering valuable lessons and best practices for improving support for survivors of sexual assault. (90 minutes)

Intended Audience: Advocates, Law enforcement, Public Safety, Title IX, Prosecutors, Child Protection, Child Advocacy Center staff.

Training Title: *WARRIOR or GUARDIAN: Which One?*

Description: This course delves into the contrasting mindsets of warriors and guardians within the context of law enforcement and professional roles in sexual assault response. Participants will explore the positive and negative characteristics of each mindset. The course aims to encourage professionals to blend the strengths of both approaches, fostering a balanced, professional identity that enhances their effectiveness and compassion. Through this training, attendees will gain a deeper understanding of how to integrate the warrior's resolve with the guardian's empathy, becoming true professionals in their field. (90 minutes)

Intended Audience: Advocates, Judges, Law enforcement, Public Safety, Title IX, SANEs, Prosecutors, Child Protection, Child Advocacy Center staff, Healthcare



Conference Presentations and Keynote:

Training Title: *Trauma-Informed At The Door: Trauma-Informed Responses to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, and Child Abuse Disclosures*

Course Description: This course aims to equip Law Enforcement Officers with essential tools and techniques for creating a safe and supportive environment for survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, and child abuse. Participants will learn trauma-informed responses that help survivors feel secure and comfortable during interactions with officers. The course will also focus on strategies to encourage survivors to stay engaged in the criminal justice process, fostering trust and collaboration throughout their journey. By adopting these practices, officers can enhance their ability to support survivors effectively and compassionately. (90 minutes)

Intended Audience: Advocates, Law enforcement, Public Safety, Title IX,



Full Day Courses:

Training Title: *Internet Crimes Against Children – Field Operations*

Course Description: This training course is designed to empower officers and detectives to handle instances of child exploitation through Internet crimes effectively. The course focuses on providing actionable steps for field investigations and case adjudication without delving into technical aspects such as cell phone extraction and IP address tracking. Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of the challenges, methodologies, and best practices for investigating and adjudicating internet crimes against children. (8 hr)

Course Objectives:

1. Provide a quick introduction to internet crimes against children.
2. Understand the CSAM (Child Sexual Abuse Material) problem.
3. Highlight the need to build a robust infrastructure for handling these crimes.
4. Learn the methodology for adjudicating internet crimes against children.
5. Conduct effective interviews related to these cases.
6. Understand the components of a complete case from investigation to prosecution.
7. Review and analyze real case studies for practical insights.

Key Topics Covered:

- Quick Introduction to Internet Crimes Against Children
- CSAM Problem
- Need to Build an Infrastructure
- Methodology in Adjudicating These Investigations
- Interviews
- Knock and Talk Methodology
- Search Warrant Methodology
- The Complete Case
- Case Reviews

Intended Audience: Law enforcement, prosecutors



Full Day Courses:

Training Title: *Comprehensive Sexual Assault and Child Sexual Abuse Investigations Course*

Course Description: This course is designed to equip police officers with the knowledge and skills necessary to effectively handle sexual assault and child sexual abuse cases, which are often among the most challenging and dynamic they will encounter. (8 hr)

Course Objectives:

1. Understand the complexities and dynamics of sexual assault and child sexual abuse cases.
2. Learn how trauma can affect the disclosure process from survivors and how to handle these situations.
3. Develop skills in interviewing victims sensitively and effectively.
4. Explore the psychological impact on victims and how to provide immediate and appropriate support.
5. Learn strategies for interagency collaboration and coordination with community partners, including social services, medical professionals, and advocacy groups.
6. Understand the importance of building a complete case, from initial report to prosecution, and how to do this.
7. Review and analyze case studies and scenarios to identify best practices and common pitfalls in handling these types of cases.

Key Topics Covered:

- Dynamics of Sexual Assault and Child Abuse
- How Trauma Affects Disclosure from Survivors
- Psychological Support and Victim Advocacy
- Interview Techniques for Victims
- Importance of Community Partners and Interagency Collaboration
- Building a Complete Case: From Report to Prosecution
- Case Review and Scenarios: Best Practices and Lessons Learned

Intended Audience: Law enforcement, Prosecutors



Full Day Courses:

Training Title: *Beyond the Evidence: Navigating Trauma in Sexual Assault Investigations*

Course Description: Designed for all multidisciplinary partners responding to sexual assault and misconduct cases, this training highlights the neurobiology of trauma. It equips law enforcement personnel with essential skills for understanding trauma, supporting survivors, and conducting sensitive, trauma-informed investigations. Participants will learn strategies for empathetic interactions, effective interview techniques, and a 10-step framework for ethical investigations, reinforced through in-depth case reviews. (8 hr)

Learning Objectives:

1. Analyze the concept of trauma and its correlation with sexual assault disclosures, enhancing understanding of the psychological impact on survivors.
2. Develop strategies for multi-disciplinary personnel to establish empathetic and supportive initial interactions when survivors disclose sexual assault incidents.
3. Demonstrate trauma-informed interview techniques for anyone engaged in the sensitive process of conducting sexual assault interviews.
4. Outline a comprehensive framework comprising 10 essential steps to guide detectives in the effective and ethical execution of a sexual assault criminal investigation.
5. Utilize in-depth case reviews to illustrate successful investigative approaches and highlight key learning moments, fostering a deeper comprehension of best practices in sexual assault investigations.

Key Topics Covered:

- The Neurobiology of Trauma
- Understanding Trauma and Sexual Assault Disclosures
- Empathetic and Supportive Initial Interactions
- Trauma-Informed Interview Techniques
- 10 Essential Steps for Sexual Assault Investigations
- The Importance of a Collaborative Approach
- Working with Advocates and Multidisciplinary Partners
- Case Reviews and Best Practices

Intended audience: Designed for all multidisciplinary partners involved in responding to sexual assault/misconduct cases.



Course Title: *Innovative and Ethical Ways to Build Your Case: The Art of the Non-Custodial Interview, Pretext Phone Calls, and Text Messaging in Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Investigations*

Course Description:

This training equips law enforcement professionals with advanced, ethical techniques for building cases in sexual assault and child abuse investigations. With the increasing challenges posed by a lack of physical evidence and evolving criminal justice reforms like cashless bail, traditional custodial interviews may not always yield the necessary outcomes. This course emphasizes creative, field-based methods, such as non-custodial interviews, pretext phone calls, and controlled text messaging, to secure critical statements and admissions. Participants will learn how to safely and ethically apply these techniques in real-world investigations, particularly in cases involving vulnerable victims. The course integrates case studies, legal considerations, and hands-on practice to ensure officers can effectively apply these tools within ethical and legal boundaries.

Learning Objectives:

By the end of the course, participants will be able to:

1. Recognize the challenges of building sexual assault and child abuse cases without physical evidence.
2. Analyze the ethical considerations and legal frameworks for conducting non-custodial interviews, pretext phone calls, and controlled texting.
3. Apply a structured protocol for using these investigative tools while ensuring officer and victim safety.
4. Understand the role of technology in capturing and documenting suspect communications.
5. Review case examples that demonstrate the successful use of non-traditional methods.
6. Practice implementing these techniques in controlled scenarios to gain confidence in real-world application.

Key Topics Covered:

- **The Lost Art of Field Interviews:** How non-custodial interviews can be more effective than static, in-custody interrogations.
- **Ethics and Legalities:** How to ethically apply these methods in a way that withstands legal scrutiny, particularly in suppression hearings.



- **Choosing the Right Tool:** How to decide whether a non-custodial interview, pretext phone call, or text messaging is the best fit for your case.
- **Tone, Pace, and Demeanor:** How to manage the interaction with suspects in non-custodial settings, including effective communication strategies.
- **Pretext Phone Calls and Controlled Text Messaging:** Crafting conversations and text exchanges that are legally sound and effective in eliciting admissions.
- **Documentation and Preservation:** Best practices for documenting interviews and preserving evidence gathered through these techniques.
- **Case Study Reviews:** Real-world examples illustrating how these methods have led to successful prosecutions.
- **Workshop:** Hands-on practice sessions where participants will simulate these techniques and refine their approach.

Intended Audience: Law enforcement, Prosecutors