Recognizing and Investigating Child Physical Abuse and Medical Neglect

Who should attend: This training is for law enforcement (investigators, patrol & SROs), DSS staff, first responders, and prosecutors.

Overview: This is a 1½ day in-depth training focused on addressing the critical steps to be taken in child physical abuse and medical neglect investigations. This training was developed specifically for frontline investigators and child welfare professionals. The training focuses on best practices in the investigation of suspicious child abuse situations and the response each discipline should make in protecting the child. We will address recognizing red flags, thorough documentation, distinguishing between inflicted and accidental injuries, and developing corroborating evidence. The second day of the training engages the students in practical exercises. Attendees will work in groups of four or five students; each on different physical abuse scenarios. Students will work through the investigative decision-making process and address issues such as who should be interviewed or consulted, what evidence should be collected, whether or not the child should be removed from the home, whether or not there are sufficient facts to support a finding of abuse or neglect, and whether or not there is sufficient evidence to support probable cause for an arrest. If an arrest is warranted, students will identify the appropriate criminal charges.

Dates, Times, and Locations:

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<td>5400 Broad River Road, Room 140</td>
<td>471 University Parkway</td>
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Check-in: 8:45 am  
Course: Thursday: 9:00 am- 4:45 pm; Friday: 9:00 am- 12:00 pm

Continuing Education Credits: This training is expected to be approved for the following:

- 9.25 hours from the SC Criminal Justice Academy for law enforcement
- 9 hours of CLE credits from the SC Commission on CLE & Specialization for lawyers
- 8.5 general contact hours for social workers
- 8.5 credit hours for victim service providers

Fee: There is no charge for this training.

Registration is limited to 35 participants. Confirmations will be sent via email. If a session has reached capacity, a waitlist will be established, and you will be notified via email.
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Registration Form

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Agency: ______________________________________________________________

SC Bar No. (Attorneys Only): ____________________________________________

Title: ________________________________________________________________

Address: _____________________________________________________________

Phone: ______________________________________________________________

E-mail: ______________________________________________________________

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