

Child Death Investigations: The Basics (Virtual Training)

Who should attend: DSS investigators, law enforcement officers, coroners or their designees, prosecutors, child abuse medical professionals, DSS Child Fatality Program Manager

Overview: This is a 3-part, virtual training that focuses on the basics of child death investigations. This training will be broken up into 3, 2-hour blocks. Topics will include causes and manners of child deaths; response and review of a child death, to include an overview of the Child Death Investigation Task Force; proper procedures for conducting reenactments; interviewing parents/caregivers and witnesses; collecting, documenting, and preserving evidence; procedures for photographic documentation; documenting investigative findings; multi-disciplinary coordination of investigations; and the appropriate roles of DSS and law enforcement. Applicable definitions from the Children's Code and criminal statutes will also be addressed. ***This is the same content that is offered as a 1-day, in-person training. It is being offered both virtually and in-person to suit the individual learning needs of attendees.**

This training will be offered online.

Dates:

Part I: February 13, 2023, March 6, 2023

Part II: February 14, 2023, March 7, 2023

Part III: February 15, 2023, March 8, 2023

Course Times: 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Fee: There is no charge for this training.

Continuing Education Credits: The SC Criminal Justice Academy and ABMDI have approved 2 hours, per part, for continuing education hours. DSS investigators will receive 2 hours, per part, for general contact hours. To receive all 6 hours of credit, you must attend all 3 parts.

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To register: Go to the Children's Law Center registration system at <https://sc.edu/clc/public/index.php>.