

Law Enforcement Training: Domestic Violence Intervention and Investigation

Training Agenda

Day One

- 8:00am – 8:30am **Course Introduction and Overview**
- Goals and Objectives
 - Introductions
- 8:30am – 10:00am **Liability for Law Enforcement**
- Sample Law Cases
 - *48 Hours* video – Failure to Protect
 - How to Reduce Risk of Lawsuits
 - State Domestic Violence Laws and Liability Statutes
- 10:00am – 12:00pm **Dynamics of Domestic Violence**
- Definition of Domestic Violence
 - Power and Control
 - Culture and Diversity
 - Barriers to a Victim’s Safety
 - Impact of Domestic Violence on Children
 - Impact of Law Enforcement Response
- 12:00pm – 1:00pm **Lunch**
- 1:00pm – 2:30pm **Initial Response**
- Important Information from Call Taker
 - Dangers of Domestic Violence Crimes
 - Officer Response and Alternatives to Back-up
 - Approaching and Entering the Scene
 - Initial Contact
- 2:30pm – 4:00pm **Interviewing**
- Interviewing the Victim
 - Interviewing the Suspect
 - Interviewing Children
 - Interviewing Witnesses
- 4:00pm – 5:00pm **Evidence Gathering**
- Critical Issues to Consider
 - Lethality Assessment

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Day Two

8:00am – 10:00am

Strangulation

- Strangulation vs. Choking
- Signs and Symptoms
- Danger of Minimization
- Questions to Ask

10:00am – 12:00pm

Arrest Decision

- Determining the Predominant Aggressor
- Establishing Probably Cause
- Factors Not to Include in the Arrest Decision
- High Profile Offenders
- Arrest Laws

12:00pm – 1:00pm

Lunch

1:00pm – 3:30pm

State and Federal Legal Issues and Definitions

- Evidence-Based Prosecution
- Rules of Evidence
- Protection Orders
- Federal Legal Definitions
- Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)
 - ◆ Full Faith and Credit
 - ◆ Crossing State Lines
 - ◆ Entering and Leaving Indian Country
 - ◆ Battered Immigrant Women
 - ◆ Victims' Rights Laws
- Firearms Provisions and the Lautenberg Amendment

3:30pm – 4:30pm

Solutions

- Exercise

4:30pm – 5:00pm

Closing

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