

# **BASIC TRAINING FOR THE MEDICOLEGAL DEATH INVESTIGATOR**



**Presented by:**

**The New Mexico Office  
of the  
Medical Investigator**

**October 20-22, 2009**

**Albuquerque, NM**

## **ABOUT THE NM OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL INVESTIGATOR**

The NM OMI Central Office is situated in Albuquerque, NM; however, jurisdiction is statewide. The office currently employs seven forensic pathologists, ten medicolegal death investigators working in the central office and over 100 field deputy medical investigators working throughout the state.

Each year the office is responsible for recertifying its investigators and provides training for new investigators. This training is also made available for persons who are interested in or currently working as death investigators and to personnel with associated agencies.

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This program is designed by medicolegal death investigators to familiarize the participant with the operations of a death investigation system and the role of the medicolegal death investigator.

Topics presented are unique to death investigation and provide the medicolegal death investigator with a solid foundation to build on.

Other agency representatives have also provided information on their roles in working with a death investigation system.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

Training provided will give the attendee the basic information and expertise required to participate in and conduct death scene investigations as a basic medicolegal death investigator. Topics have been chosen that will cover the basics and provide some advanced training and lab work for individuals already working in the field.

### **WHO SHOULD ATTEND**

Medical examiners, coroners, medicolegal death investigators, all levels of health care professionals, law enforcement personnel, forensic technicians, investigators, detectives, prosecutors, and emergency medical personnel.

### **COURSE LOCATION AND ACCOMMODATIONS**

The training will be held at the Albuquerque Marriott meeting facilities located at 2101 Louisiana Boulevard NE.

[www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/abqnm-albuquerque-marriott/](http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/abqnm-albuquerque-marriott/)

The Albuquerque Marriott has agreed to provide discount rates for reservations made by October 2.

Reservations may be made directly by calling: (505) 881-6800. Be sure to let them know that you are with the OMI Basic Training Course on October 20, 2009.

### **COURSE COST**

The cost of the course is \$295 (early registration), \$345 after October 12, 2009, and covers the training, daily breaks, program notebook and material, and certificate of attendance. Lunches are on your own.

### **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

NM Department of Public Safety

NM Department of Health, Injury  
Prevention, and Emergency Services Bureau

American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators, Inc.

Board of Thanatopractice

### **COURSE CURRICULUM**

DEATH INVESTIGATION – OVERVIEW  
DEATH SCENE PROTOCOL & POSTMORTEM ARTIFACTS  
CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATORS & HOMICIDE DETECTIVES  
FORENSIC EPIDEMIOLOGY  
FORENSIC ODONTOLOGY  
GUNSHOT WOUND FATALITIES  
FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY  
SHARP FORCE INJURIES  
NATURAL DEATHS  
CHILD DEATHS  
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA  
ASPHYXIAL DEATHS  
SCENE PHOTOGRAPHY  
FATAL HEAD INJURIES  
MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH FATALITIES  
COURTROOM PREPARATION  
PRACTICAL SCENE INVESTIGATION

## REGISTRATION APPLICATION

The cost of the course is \$295 (early registration) & \$345 after October 12, 2009. Please complete the registration form. Make checks payable to NM Office of the Medical Investigator. (Mail to: Yvonne Gomez, Program Coordinator, NM Office of the Medical Investigator, MSC11 6030, 1 UNM, Albuquerque, NM 87131-0001). No refunds will be given after October 16, 2009.

The way your name appears below is how it will appear on your certificate of attendance.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

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Purchase Order #: \_\_\_\_\_

(If using a University of New Mexico Tuition Waiver, please submit through your UNM department.)

***You must be at least 18 years old to attend this training.***

Pre-registration is required. Confirmation of registration will be provided. In compliance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), please notify us of any special accommodations you may need.

For more information, please contact:

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The [American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators](#) exam(s) has been scheduled for Friday, October 23, 2009, 0800-1200, at the Office of the Medical Investigator. For more information about the exams, please contact Julie Howe, Executive Director, The ABMDI, Inc., 314-977-5970 or [howej@slu.edu](mailto:howej@slu.edu)

**YOU MUST REGISTER WITH ABMDI, INC., PRIOR TO SITTING FOR THE EXAMS!**