

Identifying, Investigating and Prosecuting Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault **STRANGULATION CASES**

To accomodate a high level of interest, the same training will be offered on two consecutive days. Attendees need only register for one day.

DATE: October 7 & October 8, 2014
TIME: 7:30 AM Registration
8:00 AM to 5 PM Training
LOCATION: Providence Willamette Falls Community Center
515 15th Street
Oregon City, OR 97045

NOTE: Parking is limited, please carpool

This class will be taught by a panel of nationally recognized experts in the identification, investigation and documentation of strangulation in intimate partner violence: Gael Strack, J.D.; Casey Gwinn, J.D.; and, Dr. Bill Smock, M.D. Topics to be covered will include:

- Findings from a study of 300 misdemeanor strangulation cases
- Resources and handouts from the Institute
- Understanding the lethality of strangulation
- Identifying the signs and symptoms of strangulation cases
- Anatomy and medical aspects in surviving and non-surviving victims
- Investigating and documenting a Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Strangulation case for prosecution
- Legal aspects of strangulation cases with surviving victims
- Tools and Resources for Advocates
- Use of experts in court

REGISTER SECURELY ONLINE FOR THIS EVENT AT:

www.cvent.com/d/h4qcyp/4W

**OR E-MAIL JULIE L. COLLINSON AT THE CLACKAMAS
COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE:**

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REGISTER BY:

October 3

REGISTRATION IS:

\$79



WHO SHOULD ATTEND THIS TRAINING:

- Judges
- Law Enforcement Officers
- Prosecutors
- Domestic Violence Advocates
- Civil Legal Attorneys
- Medical Providers
- Psychologists, MFTs, LCSWs

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT:

This training session has been approved by Department of Public Safety Standards and Training. Documents necessary to receive credit will be provided at the conclusion of the training.

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www.strangulationtraininginstitute.com

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Strangulation has been identified as one of the most lethal forms of domestic violence and sexual assault: unconsciousness may occur within seconds and death within minutes. When domestic violence perpetrators choke (strangle) their victims, not only is this felonious assault, but it may be an attempted homicide.

Strangulation is an ultimate form of power and control where the batterer can demonstrate control over the victim's next breath: it may have devastating psychological effects or a potentially fatal outcome.

Sober and conscious victims of strangulation will first feel terror and severe pain. If strangulation persists, unconsciousness will follow. Before lapsing into unconsciousness, strangulation victims may resist violently, which could lead to producing injuries on their own neck, in an effort to claw off the assailant, and may also cause injury to the face or hands of their assailant. These defensive injuries may not be present if the victim is physically or chemically restrained before the assault.

This course will be taught by three nationally recognized experts in strangulation cases in the context of domestic violence and sexual assault:



Gael B. Strack, J.D. is the Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder of the National Family Justice Center Alliance which provides technical assistance to over 100 existing and pending Family Justice Centers across the world. In July 2009, the Alliance launched the FJC Legal Network which provides legal services to victims of domestic violence.

Prior to this position, Gael served as the Director of the San Diego Family Justice Center from October 2002 through May 2007. In that capacity, she worked closely with 25 on-site agencies (government and non-profit) who came together in 2002 to provide services to victims of domestic violence and their children from one location.



Casey Gwinn, J.D., serves as the President of the National Family Justice Center Alliance. Casey has been recognized by The American Lawyer magazine as one of the top 45 public lawyers in America. He served for eight years as the elected City Attorney of San Diego from 1996 to 2004. Prior to entering elected office, Casey founded City Attorney's Child Abuse and Domestic Violence Unit, leading the Unit from 1986 to 1996 — prosecuting both misdemeanor and felony cases.

In 2002, Casey saw his vision of a comprehensive, "one-stop shop" for services to victims of family violence become a reality in San Diego. In partnership with former San Diego Police Chief David Bejarano and current Chief Bill Lansdowne, he led the effort to open the nationally acclaimed San Diego Family Justice Center. The Family Justice Center opened its doors in downtown San Diego on October 10, 2002.



Dr. William Smock is a Professor and Co-division Chief in the Division of Protective Medicine, Department of Emergency Medicine at the University of Louisville School of Medicine. He also serves as the Director of Clinical Forensic Medicine Training Program and the Medical Director of the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Program.

Dr. Smock is also the Police Surgeon for the Louisville Metro Police Department, a Tactical Physician for the Floyd County Sheriff's Department, the Kentucky FBI SWAT Team, the United States Marshals Service and the Federal Protective Service. He also serves as a tactical medical consultant to the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security.

TRAINING INFORMATION

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QUESTIONS & REGISTRATION

If you have questions, please contact Julie L. Collinson at the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office:

Telephone 503-557-5827, or send an e-mail to: jcollinson@clackamas.us

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Hosted by the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office, in partnership with the Family Justice Center Alliance Training Institute, with special thanks to:

- **A Safe Place Family Justice Center**
- **The Clackamas County Criminal Justice Training Council**
- **Clackamas Women's Services**
- **The Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training**
- **Clackamas County Health, Housing and Human Services**
- **The Lake Oswego Police Department**