**Developing Experts & Using Expert Testimony in DV Trials**

TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT and REGISTRATION FORM

**DV Day at ODAA – Wednesday, August 14, 2019**

Eagle Crest, Oregon

The **OREGON DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE’s DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESOURCE PROSECUTOR program in conjunction with the OREGON SEXUAL ASSAULT TASK FORCE,** is offering a fantastic training opportunity for PROSECUTORS and Law Enforcement, Advocates and SANEs.  In the last several years, Oregon prosecutors have, with more frequency, been able to introduce expert testimony in domestic and sexual and violence cases around DV dynamics, neurobiology of trauma, medical aspects of strangulation and related topics.  Prosecutors who handle domestic and sexual violence cases are encouraged to attend to learn to identify issues for which to use expert testimony and to strengthen their skills around offering expert witness testimony in trials.

In this training you will learn how best to identify and qualify your local experts including advocates, SANEs and law enforcement who have the requisite amount of professional and/or educational experience, as well as the willingness to act as expert witnesses in domestic violence cases.  In order to jump start those local relationships and build your local experts, each county/ tribe may identify one local advocate, SANE, or law enforcement officer that is willing and able to be an expert witness in domestic violence cases to attend this training.

* Who Should Attend: Oregon and Tribal Prosecutors who handle DV cases. The training is appropriate for **ALL** levels of prosecution experience.  Law Enforcement officers, advocates and SANES that are interested and willing in becoming and testifying as DV experts.

There are 65 prosecutor seats available and 36 DV Expert (LE, advocates or SANEs) seats available at this conference.

\*\* Prosecutors: please reach out to your local LE, advocates and SANEs that you believe would make excellent DV expert witnesses!!

*In order to facilitate the development of DV experts across the state, applications for LE, advocates, or SANEs, will initially be limited to ONE per county/jurisdiction.  If additional seats are available after the initial registration, additional attendees from already attending jurisdictions may attend.  (There is no limit on the number of prosecutors from any jurisdiction)*

* When:  **Wednesday, August 14, 2019 – 8am-5pm**
* Where: Oregon District Attorneys’ Association Summer Conference; Eagle Crest, Oregon
* Faculty/Presenters: Veteran DV prosecutors and DV experts
* COST: REGISTRATION IS FREE.  Attendees will be responsible for covering expenses upfront, reimbursements are available as described below.
* *Scholarships/ Financial Assistance: \*\*Must fill out attached form\*\**
  + *Prosecutors: Reimbursement for per diem and lodging is available for up to 65 prosecutors*
  + *Law Enforcement: Financial assistance for per diem and lodging available to limited numbers of law enforcement*
  + *Advocates/ SANEs: Reimbursement for per diem and lodging may be available for SANEs and advocates*
  + *\*to be eligible for lodging reimbursement, the cost cannot exceed the federal per diem of $158 (before tax) and hotel receipt must be provided at training. Reimbursements are dependent on grant funds and available, therefore not guaranteed*
* Registration:
  + Prosecutors: <https://odaa.regfox.com/odaa-2019-summer-conference> (+still need to fill out attached form for reimbursement request)
  + LE/ Advocates/ SANE: fill out attached form.  You will be notified of acceptance into training/ placement on wait list within 2 days of application

CLE, CEU credit will be requested from the Oregon State Bar and DPSST

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REGISTRATION FORM and FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST

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(DEADLINE IS August 5, 2019)

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| Name: |
| COUNTY/ Agency/ Jurisdiction – Title: |
| Phone/Fax Number(s): |
| Email: |
| **Please answer ALL the questions relevant to you below:** |
| **Prosecutors:**   * Years as a prosecutor? * Years of DV prosecution? * Does your office have a dedicated DV unit/team? |
| **Law Enforcement Officers:**   * Years in Law Enforcement? * Years of DV investigation experience? * Does your agency/jurisdiction have a dedicated DV investigator or unit? * What would make you a good DV expert? * Are you willing and able to testify in trial as an expert witness? * Is there a DV prosecutor in your jurisdiction that you work closely with? Who? |
| **Advocates**:   * Years as advocate? * Years of work in DV/ SA specific advocacy? * System based/ Community based advocate? * Are you willing and able to testify in trial as an expert witness? * Is there a DV prosecutor in your jurisdiction that you work closely with? Who? |
| **Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners:**   * Years as a SANE: * Have you done forensic examinations on DV victims (non SA-related)? * Are you willing and able to testify in trial as an expert witness? * Is there a DV prosecutor in your jurisdiction that you work closely with? Who? |
| **All Applicants: *(Please note that reimbursement is dependent on available grant funds and therefore cannot be guaranteed)***   * Do you live more than 50 miles from the conference site? Yes/ No No. of miles? * Are you requesting reimbursement for lodging expenses? (lodging cannot exceed $158/night) Yes/No * Are you requesting reimbursement for per diem expenses? (excluding any provided meals) Yes/No |
| Please return all COMPLETED form to:  Sarah Sabri by email: [sarah.m.sabri@doj.state.or.us](mailto:sarah.m.sabri@doj.state.or.us) or fax: 503-373-1936  Persons whose registration forms have been accepted will receive email confirmation or notice of wait-list placement and financial assistance information w/in 2 days of receipt of this form.  \*\*PLEASE NOTE that only **COMPLETED** registration forms will be considered\*\* |

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