Who should attend: DSS investigators, law enforcement officers, coroners and/or deputy coroners, attorneys/prosecutors, child abuse medical professionals

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 and offered on a Monday, Wednesday, Friday schedule. 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 training will be offered online.

Dates:
Part I: December 6, 2021; January 24, March 7, April 4, and June 6, 2022
Part II: December 8, 2021; January 26, March 9, April 6, and June 8, 2022
Part III: December 10, 2021; January 28, March 11, April 8, and June 10, 2022

You are not required to attend all three parts of the training in the same week, but you must complete them in order.

Course Times: All trainings will be from 9:00 - 11:00 am, except for the trainings on December 6th, 8th, and 10th and March 7th, 9th, and 11th, which will be from 1:00 - 3:00 pm.

Fee: There is no charge for this training.

Continuing Education Credits: The SC Criminal Justice Academy has approved 2 hours, per part, for continuing education hours. DSS social workers will receive 2 hours, per part, for general contact hours. AMBDI has approved 2 hours of continuing education credit for each part. The SC Commission on CLE is expected to approve 2 hours of MCLE credit hours per part. 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: https://sc.edu/clc/public/index.php. (DSS staff must register on the SCEIS in addition to the CLC registration system.)