Who should attend: DSS investigators, law enforcement officers, coroners or their designees, prosecutors, child abuse medical professionals, DSS Child Fatality Program Manager

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. 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 is the same content that is offered as a 1-day, in-person training. It is being offered both virtually and in-person to suit the individual learning needs of attendees.

This training will be offered online.

Dates:
Part I: February 13, 2023, March 6, 2023
Part II: February 14, 2023, March 7, 2023
Part III: February 15, 2023, March 8, 2023

Course Times: 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Fee: There is no charge for this training.

Continuing Education Credits: The SC Criminal Justice Academy and ABMDI have approved 2 hours, per part, for continuing education hours. DSS investigators will receive 2 hours, per part, for general contact hours. 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 at https://sc.edu/clc/public/index.php.