



Illinois Coroner Training Board

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Training Announcement

DEATH INVESTIGATION CAUSE, MANNER AND MECHANISM OF DEATH AND THE INVESTIGATION PROCESS

*July 8-9, 2025
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.*

*Thelma Keller Convention Center
1202 N. Keller Drive
Effingham, Illinois*

There will not be a registration fee for this training.

This training is approved for 16 hours of credit for the annual mandatory coroner continuing education hours requirement, 13.5 hours for ABMDI, 12 hours for Lead Homicide Investigator Recertification, 1 Hour Civil Rights, 1 Hour Constitutional/Proper Use of LE Authority and 1 Hour Procedural Justice.

Complete the enclosed registration form and email to
coroner79@hotmail.com.

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April 30, 2025

"Death Investigation: Cause, Manner and Mechanism of Death and the Investigation Process"

Michael Murphy, F-ABMDI (retired)
Former Coroner, Clark County Office of the Coroner/Medical Examiner
Las Vegas, Nevada

There is not a registration fee for this training.

This two day training will be held July 8-9, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Keller Convention Center, 1202 N. Keller Drive, Effingham, IL.

Hotel Information:

Lodging is available at two locations. The Holiday Inn is attached to the Keller Convention Center and the Country Inn and Suites is a short walk across the parking lot. Details for reservations are as follows:

Holiday Inn Effingham, 1301 Avenue of Mid America, Effingham, IL 62401
Telephone for reservations is 217-540-7777 Ext. 1
Block name is Illinois Coroner Training Board and Block Code is ICA
RATE: 140.00 plus tax

Country Inn and Suites, 1200 N. Raney St, Effingham, IL 62401
Telephone for reservations is 217-540-5555
Block Name is Illinois Coroners and Medical Examiners
RATE: 110.00 plus tax

Please complete the enclosed registration form for this training and email to:
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Any questions regarding this training may be directed to me at 217.433.0540.

Sincerely,

Lynn Reed

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REGISTRATION FORM

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EMAIL THIS REGISTRATION FORM TO CORONER79@HOTMAIL.COM

Contact Lynn Reed at 217.433.0540 for assistance with registration or questions concerning this training.

NAME (as you want on certificate) _____

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (last 4 numbers) _____

COUNTY _____

OFFICE ADDRESS _____

OFFICE TELEPHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

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Michael Murphy, F-ABMDI (retired) Doctor of Business Administration

Dr. P. Michael Murphy serves as President and CEO of M Power USA, an international management consulting firm providing management and leadership guidance to public and private agencies. Dr. Murphy brings 40 plus years of law enforcement and public service experience to the position serving in a multitude of roles giving him a unique perspective beginning with boots on the ground of Chief of Police. Dr. Murphy most recently served as Director of Special Services for The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in Alexandria, Virginia where he was responsible for the Long Term Missing and Unidentified, Forensic Services, Image Enhancement/ Age Progression Units. Dr. Murphy is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and has a doctoral degree in Business Administration with California Pacific University. He is also Fellow with the American Board of Medicolegal Investigators.

Course Objectives:

Participants will receive an overview of the legal definitions for cause, manner and mechanism of death, an understanding of the basic death investigative process as well as the ability to identify various types of injuries related to the death of an individual.

This course will further review the origins of the coroner medical legal system, the need for a coordinated investigation as well as the necessity to utilize trained, forensic pathologists in determining the cause of death.

A Multitude of Death Cases Will Be Reviewed Throughout The Presentation Allowing The Participant To Focus on A Variety of Injuries to Include:

- Lacerations
- Incised Wounds
- Contusions
- Abrasions
- Penetrating/Stab Wounds
- Ballistic Injuries and Their Characteristics
- Thermal Injuries

Additionally, Attendees Will Be Introduced To A Myriad of Investigative Cases to Include:

- Child Death
- Accidental vs Intentional Injuries ~ Signs of Abuse and Neglect
- Elder Death
- Abuse vs Neglect, Lack of Selfcare and Understanding the Death Scene
- Homicide
- Suicide ~ and The Understanding of Suicide Ideation
- Homicide vs Suicide
- Accidental
- Autoerotic

Understanding The Coroner/Medical Examiner's Office Responsibility To Determine:

- Body Recovery
- Identification of the deceased
- Cause and manner of death
- Protection of property
- Identification & Notification of next of kin
- Family response

Forensic Capabilities and The Availability of Resources:

- Exhumation
- Anthropology
- Odontology
- Post Mortem Changes / Decomposition
- Entomology
- Radiology
- Toxicology
- Religious considerations

Finally, we will spend time addressing court room demeanor and the relativity of well documented reports and ability to effectively testify to your work.