



Homicide Investigations

Co-sponsored by the
Spokane County Sheriff's Office
And
The FBI

Overview:

This class presents information on how to read a crime scene and what to do to preserve it for processing. Participants will be instructed on how to protect the integrity of a crime scene and how to determine if a death is a homicide, suicide or accidental.

It will cover working with the Medical Examiner to identify the cause of death along with different stages of decomposition and skeletalization of a deceased person.

The class will cover how to locate and identify injuries on victims and determine their origins. This will include injuries from gunshots, strangulation, stabbings and blunt trauma.

Agenda items range from initial response through prosecution and will include;

Crime scene preservation, evidence collection, cause of death determination, identification of deceased, interview and interrogation, social media exploitation, warrant preparation, and testifying

Agenda:

DAY ONE

- I. Openings Remarks
- II. Crimes Scenes & Evidence Collection (Spokane County ERT)
- III. Washington State Crime Lab (Lorraine Heath, Forensic Scientist)
- IV. Fight or Flight Response (What about Freezing?)

DAY TWO

- VI. Mechanisms of Death (Medical Examiner, Dr. Richard Harruff)

DAY THREE

- XI. Social Media Exploitation (IA Melissa Pentico, FBI)
- XII. Victim Specialists Spokane County (Annette Ingaham)
- XIII. Interview and Interrogation

DAY FOUR

- Recording Interviews (Jack Driscoll, Chief Criminal Deputy, DA)
- Use of Polygraphs (Spokane County DA)
- Legal Issues in Homicide Investigations (Spokane County DA)
- Case Presentations (Retired SA Michael Gneckow, FBI)

When: October 19th- 22nd 2015

Time: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Where: Spokane County Sheriff's Office
Training Center

Cost- FREE