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## HOMICIDE PROSECUTION

### Training

#### **Abusive Head Trauma: Proving It and Overcoming Defenses**

January 12-14, 2016, New Orleans, LA

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One of the most difficult challenges facing homicide and child abuse professionals alike is investigating and prosecuting the death of an infant child due to abusive head trauma. Come join as leading experts bring us the most current scientific, legal, and practical knowledge in this field.

#### *Focus Areas*

- \* Current Medical Issues in Abusive Head Trauma Cases
- \* A Multi-disciplinary Approach to AHT Cases
- \* Confessions and Admissions in AHT Investigations
- \* Working with Experts and Professional Witnesses
- \* Presenting Your Case to Jury
- \* False Controversies and Overcoming Defenses
- \* Post-Conviction Challenges

#### *Who Should Attend*

- \* Homicide and child abuse prosecutors; any prosecutor who may encounter child death cases; any multi-disciplinary team member interested in learning more about Abusive Head Trauma prosecution.
- \* Limited number of tuition-only (\$595) scholarships available.
- \* Email [mburkhart@ndaa.org](mailto:mburkhart@ndaa.org) for more info.

#### **Hotel**

Hotel Monteleone  
214 Royal Street  
New Orleans, LA 70130

#### **Reservations**

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# ABUSIVE HEAD TRAUMA: PROVING IT AND OVERCOMING DEFENSES

Tuesday, January 12 through Thursday, January 14, 2016  
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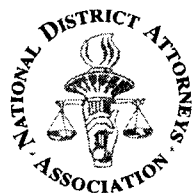
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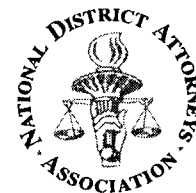
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**SCHEDULE OF INSTRUCTION**

**TUESDAY, January 12, 2016**

- 8:00           **REGISTRATION**
- 9:00           **Welcoming Remarks**
- 9:15           **A Brief Overview of AHT in Infants and Children**  
Rob Parrish, J.D.  
Deputy Salt Lake County District Attorney  
Homicide Team  
Salt Lake City, UT
- 10:30          **BREAK**
- 10:45          **Medical Science of AHT (Part 1)**  
Randell Alexander, MD, PhD  
University of Florida  
Jacksonville, FL
- 12:15          **LUNCH**
- 1:45           **Medical Science of AHT (Part 2)**  
Randell Alexander, MD, PhD  
University of Florida  
Jacksonville, FL
- 3:00           **BREAK**

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**January 12-14, 2016**

- 3:15      **Investigation of Abusive Head Trauma Cases**  
Rob Parrish, J.D.  
Deputy Salt Lake County District Attorney  
Homicide Team  
Salt Lake City, UT
- 5:00      **ADJOURN**

**WEDNESDAY, January 13, 2016**

- 9:00      **Use of Experts and Demonstrative Evidence**  
Rob Parrish, J.D.  
Deputy Salt Lake County District Attorney

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Homicide Team  
Salt Lake City, UT

10:00

**The View from the Expert Witness Chair**  
Randell Alexander, MD, PhD  
University of Florida  
Jacksonville, FL

10:30

**BREAK**

10:45

**Educating the Trier of Fact and Proving the Case and Timing of AHT**  
Rob Parrish, J.D.  
Deputy Salt Lake County District Attorney  
Homicide Team  
Salt Lake City, UT

Randell Alexander, MD, PhD  
University of Florida  
Jacksonville, FL

12:00

**LUNCH**

1:30

**Confessions and Admissions in AHT Case**  
P. Leigh Bishop J.D.  
Chief, Child Fatality Unit  
Queens County District Attorney's Office  
Kew Gardens, NY

3:00

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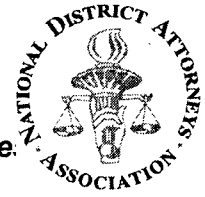
**The Medical Response to Common Defense Expert Claims**  
Randell Alexander, MD, PhD  
University of Florida  
Jacksonville, FL

4:00

**Confronting Defense Experts in AHT Cases**  
Rob Parrish, J.D.  
Deputy Salt Lake County District Attorney  
Homicide Team  
Salt Lake City, UT

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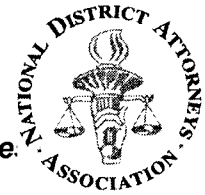
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**THURSDAY, January 14, 2016**

- 9:00           **Overcome Untrue Defenses in AHT Cases**  
Matthew Torbenson, J.D.  
Assistant District Attorney  
Team Captain of the Child Protection & Advocacy Unit  
Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office  
Madison, WI
- 10:15           **BREAK**
- 10:30           **Presenting Your AHT Case to a Jury**  
P. Leigh Bishop J.D.  
Chief, Child Fatality Unit  
Queens County District Attorney's Office  
Kew Gardens, NY
- 12:00           **ADJOURN**
- 1:30           **Ethical Considerations in Child Fatality Cases**  
Matthew Torbenson, J.D.  
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