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Advanced Courtroom Communications Training For Forensic Examiners



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CALIFORNIA CLINICAL FORENSIC MEDICAL TRAINING CENTER



ABOUT THE COURSE

ADVANCED COURTROOM COMMUNICATIONS FOR MEDICAL EXAMINERS

This two-day program focuses on advanced courtroom communications skills with special focus on child abuse, sexual assault, domestic violence, and elder abuse cases. Participants will acquire basic skills to learn how to testify as an expert witness and overcome apprehension about the cross-examination process.

COURSE GOALS

This course provides information and training on how to be an effective witness. Participants will learn:

- *Communication Skills in the Courtroom:* Learn how to listen to questions, give non-verbal acknowledgement, and to provide succinct, appropriate responses.
- *Channeling Nervous Energy:* Learn how to harness and channel nervous energy into a positive presentation.
- *Tell the Truth:* Learn the difference between scientific and legal truth. Students will learn the importance of testifying to their perception of truth.
- *Circles of Communication:* Learn how to keep the three elements of thoughts, feelings, and behavior in alignment for more effective communication.
- *Audience Retention Curve:* Learn methods to keep the jury attentive and focused on your testimony.
- *Communication Styles:* Learn how to make your own communications style, as well as those of the jury, work to your benefit.
- *Encoding/Decoding:* Learn how you can help jurors to understand and remember your technical testimony.
- *Mock Trial:* Acquire expert courtroom skills in testifying and handling cross examination questions; learn to effectively qualify yourself as an expert witness; and attain actual hands-on courtroom skills that will further your ability to perform an essential part of your job as a forensic examiner.

COURSE SCHEDULE:

DAY ONE

7:30 AM – Registration

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

- Welcome & Introductions
- Mind Mapping: Resume & Expert Testimony
- Communication Skills in the Courtroom
- Channeling Nervous Energy
- Using Eye Contact, voice, and gestures
- Circles of Communication
- How Jurors Learn and Remember
- Communication and Personality Styles
- Courtroom Testimony

DAY TWO - MOCK TRIAL

7:30 AM to 5:00 PM

- Mock Trial Introduction and Instructions
- Qualifying the Expert
- Documentation and History
- History of Events - Reliable Historians
- External Body Injuries - What is a reliable memory?
- History with No Injury Vs. History Consistent with Abuse
- Documentation Issues
- Normal Exam with History of Abuse
- Feedback





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ABOUT THE CALIFORNIA CLINICAL FORENSIC MEDICAL TRAINING CENTER

Penal Code Section 13823.93 established the foundation and statutory authority for the California Clinical Forensic Medical Training Center (CCFMTC). Funding is provided through a grant from the California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA). Training is provided for healthcare providers to identify, evaluate, and document injuries; to better manage the healthcare consequences of abuse; and to effectively collaborate with social services, law enforcement agencies, advocacy organizations, and the criminal justice system. CCFMTC also provides training to law enforcement officers, district attorneys, public defenders, investigative social workers, and judges on medical evidentiary examination procedures and the interpretation of findings. The Center trains medical professionals to effectively identify, evaluate and treat victims of child abuse and neglect, sexual assault, domestic violence, elder abuse, and abuse of persons with disabilities.



COURSE FACULTY

William M. Green, MD

Director, Sexual Assault Forensic Medicine Education Program, California Clinical Forensic Medical Training Center, UC Davis Medical Center

Director, Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner Team, UC Davis Health System Training Faculty

Dr. Green has been on the faculty of the University of California, Davis Medical School since 1976; he is currently Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine. Since 1985 he has been a consultant to the Office of Criminal Justice Planning (now CalEMA, California Emergency Management Agency) and was a contributor to the original medical protocol for sexual assault evaluation. In 1989, Dr. Green was one of the founders of the Sexual Assault Forensic Evaluation (SAFE) Team at the University of California, Davis Medical Center and currently serves as the team's Medical Director. In 1990 he was appointed by the California Commission on the Status of Women to the CalEMA State Advisory Committee that oversees services to sexual assault victims.

Raymond J. Davis

Raymond Davis is a forensic scientist with over 35 years of experience in general criminalistics. He has testified in over 1,600 criminal and civil cases throughout the states of California, Washington, Alaska, and Oregon. Mr. Davis has developed courses in courtroom communications since 1988 that have been used with the California Criminalist Institute, Ventura County Crime Lab, Los Angeles Police Department, Washoe County, Nevada Crime Lab, Bellevue Washington Police Department, FBI, Georgia Bureau of Investigation, and the California Clinical Forensic Medical Training Center (CCFMTC).

Local Faculty To Be Announced

CONTINUING EDUCATIONAL STATEMENT

**The CME credits for this course are pending approval by the UC Davis Office of Continuing Medical Education.*

ACCREDITATION:

The University of California Davis, Health System is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (AACME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

PHYSICIAN CREDIT: The University of California, Davis Health System designates this educational activity for a maximum of (credit hours TBD) *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

The following may apply CME Category 1 credit for license renewal:

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT: The National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) states that *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™* are acceptable for continuing medical education requirements for recertification

NURSE: For the purpose of recertification, the American Nurses Credentialing Center accepts *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™* issued by organizations accredited by the AACME. For the purpose of relicensure, the California Board of Registered Nursing accepts *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*

PSYCHOLOGIST: This educational activity is recognized by the California Board of Psychology as meeting the continuing education requirements toward license renewal for California psychologist (self reporting required).

MFT and LCSW CREDIT: UC Davis Health System Office of Continuing Medical Education, Provider No. PCE 2354. This course meets the qualifications for (credit hours TBD) hours of continuing education credit for marriage and family therapists and/or licensed clinical social workers as required by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences. Participants must attend the entire course, write license number on the roster, and complete the course evaluation to earn credit.

UC DAVIS HEALTH SYSTEM CME DISCLOSURE

Disclosure of Relevant Financial Relationships: As a provider accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education, the University of California, Davis Health System must ensure balance, independence and objectivity in all CME activities to promote improvements in health care and not proprietary interests of a commercial interest. The provider controls all decisions related to identification of CME needs, determination of educational objectives, selection and presentation of content, selection of all persons and organizations that will be in a position to control the content, selection of educational methods and evaluation of the activity. Course directors, planning committee members, presenters, authors, moderators, panel members and others in a position to control the content of this activity are required to disclose relevant financial relationships with commercial interests related to the subject matter of this educational activity. Learners are able to assess the potential for commercial bias in information when complete disclosure, resolution of conflicts of interest, and acknowledgement of commercial support are provided prior to the activity. Informed learners are the final safeguards in assuring that a CME activity is independent from commercial support. We believe this mechanism contributes to the transparency and accountability of CME.

UC DAVIS HEALTH SYSTEM CME MISSION

In concert with the University of California, Davis Health System mission of discovering and sharing knowledge to advance health, the continuing medical education mission focuses on the lifelong learning commitments of physicians who practice in the health system and in the greater Northern California region. UC Davis CME is at the nexus between scientific discovery and its translation to practice with a commitment to provide a variety of educational formats for evidence-based education that fulfills identified needs and produces changes in physician practice resulting in improved competence, performance and/or patient care. With an emphasis on multidisciplinary programs, content is based on competencies and bona fide needs assessments as well as clinical requirements. The CME Advisory Committee reviews the content and quality of CME offerings in accordance with the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education's Essential Areas and Their Elements and the American Medical Association's Physician Recognition Award accredited provider information.

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