



Office of Juvenile Justice and
Delinquency Prevention



RESPONDING TO MISSING AND ABDUCTED CHILDREN

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Monday

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. **Welcome & Introductions**

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. **Hope – Meeting the Challenge and Making a Difference**

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **Break**

10:15 a.m. - 12:00 noon **Nonfamily Abduction**

This module is designed to provide the law enforcement officer a better understanding and access advanced investigative strategies of a nonfamily abduction. The module will include a comprehensive tactical plan from first responder through the investigative phase that is designed to locate missing children, identify, implicate suspects, and ensure a conviction in court.

12:00 noon - 12:45 p.m. **Lunch**

12:45 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Nonfamily Abduction (*continued*)**

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Tuesday

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

The Runaway Child

This module will provide the participant with statistical information on the issue of the runaway child. It will also provide information on investigative procedures that can be utilized to locate, recover, and prevent future incidents. This module will include investigative techniques that can be used to pursue and prosecute perpetrators who lure, exploit, and abuse these vulnerable victims.

12:00 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Lunch

12:45 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Family Abduction

This module is designed to meet the needs of law enforcement officers who are responsible for family abduction and custody dispute cases. It will address the physical harm and traumatic effects to the child, parents, and law enforcement officers. The module will address the need for rapid response in family abduction cases and will teach methods of enforcement of custody orders and the civil liability of officers. The participant will learn the unique investigative requirements of parental abduction cases and the investigation of domestic and international family abduction cases. The enforcement of in-state and out-of-state custody orders utilizing the UCCJA/UCCJEA will also be discussed.

Wednesday

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Crime Scene Analysis/Offender Profiling

The module will provide an overview of the crime scene assessment process to include organized and disorganized offender dichotomies, offender profiles and behaviorally-based interview strategies of violent criminals. The instructor will demonstrate to the participant the practical application of behavioral analysis of violent crime and offender profiles through the use of actual criminal case illustrations and crime scene assessment exercises.

12:00 noon - 12:45 p.m.

Lunch

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Wednesday (continued)

12:45 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Investigative Case Management**

This module will assist agencies with the management of large scale, complex investigations such as a nonfamily abduction. It will provide for case file content showing items needed for successful prosecution.

Thursday

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon **Assessing Your Agency’s Response**

This module will focus on the importance of a law enforcement agency instituting a policy that provides for established procedures and protocols to respond to missing children incidents. The module will culminate in the participant completing an agency self-assessment and breakout exercise focusing on identifying the agency’s strengths and weaknesses in its response to missing children incidents.

12:00 noon - 12:45 p.m. **Lunch**

12:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Crisis Media Relations**

This module will provide the participant both definitive and descriptive discussions for successfully dealing with the news media during high-profile missing and abducted children investigations. Participants will receive instruction covering various aspects of crisis media relations, including legal issues, public responses and reactions, and case study examinations. Participants will be able to understand the nature of media relations crises, how they develop, and how these types of crises can be managed and overcome.

3:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. **Break**

3:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. **The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children/Resources**

This module of instruction will provide the participants with information about the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

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Friday

8:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. **Practical Exercises/Presentations**

Participants will be assigned to teams and will then be given a missing child scenario. The scenarios will afford the participants the opportunity to apply the concepts and techniques discussed in the course, as well as the opportunity to share their own knowledge and experience. Each team will prepare a flipchart presentation on the investigative procedures they selected and then present it to the class.

11:45 a.m. - 12:00 noon **Evaluations/Certificates**

In an effort to provide the best possible educational atmosphere for everyone:

- **Attendees' use of laptops and wireless devices are prohibited while class is in session. Laptops shall remain closed and wireless devices shall remain out of sight while class is in session.**
- **Please place cell phones on silent mode. The use of cell phones, PDAs and Smart Devices in class is prohibited.**
- **Newspapers, magazines, or other print media shall be placed on the floor.**
- **In order to receive a certificate, attendees are expected to participate in and be present for all sessions.**

If you have any questions, please see the on-site coordinator.
