

Presenters

Thomas Callaghan, PhD, Chief, FBI CODIS Unit

Dr. Callaghan has over 25 years of DNA analysis experience. He was a Forensic Scientist with the Pennsylvania State Police DNA Unit prior to joining the FBI. He has been involved in the DNA analysis of hundreds of homicide and rape cases. He serves on numerous boards and expert groups. Dr. Callaghan has a doctorate in Molecular Biology.

Jennifer Long, Director, NCPVAW, NDAA

Jennifer Long is the Director of the National Center for The Prosecution of Violence Against Women (NCPVAW) at the National District Attorneys Association. She travels across the country lecturing on issues related to violence against women. She provides technical assistance to criminal justice professionals nationwide in sexual assault and domestic violence cases.

Daniel J. Sheridan, PhD, RN, FNE-A, SANE-A, FAAN

Dr. Sheridan is an Associate Professor at the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing, where he has developed a forensic focus within the clinical nurse specialist master's program. He is a former President of the International Association of Forensic Nurses. Dr. Sheridan works for the State of Oregon Office of Investigations and Training as a consultant and expert witness for abused institutionalized people with profound cognitive and physical disabilities and the elderly.

Deb Smith

Deb became a rape survivor in March, 1989. She has been traveling nationwide as a speaker in forums that benefit DNA research, rape victims or other relevant issues. She has appeared on several TV shows such as Oprah, 60 Minutes and in several magazines and other media, all with the purpose of promoting the use of DNA, aiding victims and helping the public to better understand victims.

Rob Smith

Lt. Robert Smith is a 25 year veteran of the Williamsburg, VI Police Department. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Williamsburg Area SANE program, the Virginia Peninsula Alcohol Safety Action program and on AVALON, a safe house program for abused women. He is a co-speaker with Debbie, regarding the impact of rape on a husband and a police officer on the receiving end of a crime.

Veronique N. Valliere, PsyD

Dr. Valliere is clinical psychologist who has been working with victims and perpetrators of sexual violence for over 15 years. She is on Pennsylvania's "Megan's Board" and has given national trainings for law enforcement, criminal justice professionals, the military, and others in understanding offenders, victims, deception, criminality, and other issues involving sexual assault.



Right From the Start:

A Teamwork Approach for Victims of Sexual Assault

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Agenda

Thursday, August 21, 2008

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. - **Registration**

8:30 – 12 p.m. – **“Your Best Witness: The Victim”** - Deb Smith will give an evocative description of her own rape and process through the system, offering advice to investigators and victims both, while Rob Smith will describe the experience as a law enforcement officer and husband. (Break from 10:30 – 10:45 am)

12 – 1 p.m. **Box Lunch Provided**

1 – 4:30 p.m. – **“Understanding the Sexual Offender”** – Dr. Valliere will provide practical information on the behaviors and deviance of sexual offenders, interviewing techniques, and understanding the impact on the victim. (Break from 2:30 – 2:45 p.m.)

5:30 – 7 p.m. – **Reception**

Friday, August 22, 2008

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. – **Registration**

8:30 – 10:30 a.m. – **Choose one**

“When Injuries Speak: The Role of the Forensic Examiner in Identifying and Documenting Wounds in Reported and/or Suspected Assault” – Dr. Dan Sheridan will offer techniques for improving forensic documentation, both written and photographic, of patients/clients/victims with possible abuse-related injuries.

“DNA and CODIS: Putting it all together” – Dr. Tom Callaghan will give practical advice and information to assist investigators on how the CODIS system works, the state of DNA today, and integrating the two to facilitate prosecution.

“Prosecuting the Non-Stranger Sexual Assault” – Jennifer Long will present on strategies and techniques for investigating and prosecuting the most complicated assault case of all, the non-stranger assault, including issues of alcohol facilitation, intimate partner, and jury selection and education.

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. – Repeat of three sessions above – Choose one

Program

Description

The investigation and prosecution of sexual assault is often one of the most intense, extensive, and critical undertakings of the criminal justice system. **Right From the Start** inspires to provide valuable information from a spectrum of professionals to enhance understanding of victims, offenders, medical evidence, and use of DNA in the investigation and prosecution of sexual assault.

Goals and Objectives

Attendees will learn:

- The victim’s experience of the system and tools to make the system less traumatic and more effective;
- To understand the behaviors, patterns, and manipulations of sexual offenders and how to interview more effectively;
- The importance of the sexual assault exam and how to identify and document findings for best legal results;
- The CODIS system of DNA identification and how to make it work for your agency;
- Prosecution strategies and issues, to facilitate building the case for a successful prosecution.

Who Should Attend?

This training is designed to be useful for anyone in the sexual assault field, including nurses, prosecutors, advocates, investigators, law enforcement, physicians, and anyone hoping to advance the cause of victims.



Registration

Location

The Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing
525 N. Wolfe Street
Baltimore MD 21205

Registration

Tuition: \$189

Registration is for both days and includes continental breakfast Thursday and Friday, lunch on Thursday, and a reception/networking opportunity on Thursday evening.

Register online at
www.ijhn.jhmi.edu

Local Information

Driving directions and parking information is available at:
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