

# **Advanced Techniques in Joint Child Abuse Investigations**

**Two day program—8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**April 28-29, 2016 - Amarillo, TX**

*Advanced Techniques in Joint Child Abuse Investigations, produced by The Shaken Baby Alliance, is a highly rated investigations program that has consistently provided up-to-date training for multidisciplinary professionals involved in child physical abuse and child death cases. The Shaken Baby Alliance has lead the charge in the United States to develop Best Practice Standards training in the field of forensic investigative techniques related to child physical abuse. For almost 20 years, The Shaken Baby Alliance has partnered with leading experts in the field of child abuse, along with agencies throughout the U.S. to develop outstanding training to meet the needs of professionals. This training is based on the philosophy that professionals with a strong foundational understanding of the medical aspects of child physical abuse and forensic investigative techniques will be provided with the tools necessary to investigate cases of child physical abuse and build successful cases for criminal and civil court.*

Training Location:

**Amarillo College – West Campus  
6222 W. 9<sup>th</sup> Ave. – Bldg. C, Room 112  
Amarillo, TX 79106**

## **Course Content:**

- ◆ **Sudden Infant Death Syndrome** - A focus on what the investigator needs to know to assist in determining natural death vs. homicide
- ◆ **Medical Aspects of Child Abuse** – Forensic markers of abuse/neglect vs. accidental injury. An overview of skin injuries, fractures, abdominal injuries and head injuries.
- ◆ **Forensic Investigative Techniques** – Established protocol, the multi-disciplinary team, consent, scene investigation, interviewing, evidence, timeline development, scene reconstruction, ongoing training, and resources.
- ◆ **Scene Investigation & Photography** – Photography techniques for injury and scene photographs, scene sketches and documentation
- ◆ **Timeline Development** – Developing case facts into a visual timeline.
- ◆ **Interview & Interrogation** – The difference between interviewing vs. interrogation, planning the interview, developing themes, confronting denials, and using alternative questions to gain the admission/confession from the alleged perpetrator/suspect.
- ◆ **Legal Aspects of Building a Case for Court** – How professionals involved in child abuse cases can impact a case from offense to prosecution, Brady, hearsay, and tips for testifying effectively.

## **TCOLE – Continuing Education Credits**

Credit hours will be submitted to TJJJD for approval. CEUs will be awarded for Social Workers and LPC/LMFTs. Amarillo College is approved by the State Board of Educator Certification as a provider of Continuing Professional Education (CPE). General CEUs will be awarded to all other participants for individual submission to their respective licensing agencies. For successful completion, this program must be attended in its entirety.

**Registration Fee: \$115 (two days)** Scholarships are available.

To register, please send your title, name, agency, and phone number to [RKunz@shakenbaby.org](mailto:RKunz@shakenbaby.org).

## **Questions?**

If you have any questions, please call Bonnie Armstrong, Executive Director at (817) 846-7198.