ADVANCED NMLEA TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

When a “suicide” is a homicide Date: August 22,2025 Time: 1100-1300 Location: New Mexico Law Enforcement Academy, 4491 Cerrillos Rd., Santa Fe.Cost: FREE with lunch provided ***This class has been approved for TWO NMLEA continuing education credits***

About the class: Detectives and Crime Scene Investigators will learn the foundations of examining a deceased body and discern characteristics that may differentiate between a suicide and homicide.

**TOPICS:**

* The stages of death.
* The role of scene/body examinations in determining homicide versus suicide
* The physical signs of a hanging and how to differentiate from strangulation.
* The signs of close/contact, mid-range, and long-distance gunfire.
* Attempt to disguise murders in water and fire.
* Indications a body has been moved.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Joe Kolb, MA, D-ABMDI- Former deputy investigator for the New Mexico Office of the Medical Investigator. He has served as a Detention Officer for the Santa Fe County Adult Detention Center and Acting President for the New Mexico Gang Investigators Association. Kolb has over a decade of teaching criminal justice classes at Western New Mexico University and UNM Gallup and Valencia campuses. He is also a professional lecturer for the New Mexico Law Enforcement Academy.

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**Registration Deadline: August 20, 2025**

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