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Child Abuse Training Seminars for Professionals

About the Provider / Instructor:

Farley International, headquartered in Chicago, Illinois, USA is the preeminent provider of child abuse training and consulting services for the world.

Robert Hugh Farley MS, commanding officer (retired) of the Cook County Sheriff's Police, Child Exploitation Unit in Chicago, IL presents these intensive seminars. As a highly decorated Detective, Unit Supervisor and Deputy U.S. Marshal he has had over 28 years experience investigating and supervising all aspects of child abuse crimes from sexual abuse to child homicide.

In 2007 Robert supervised the internal investigation, following sexual abuse allegations, at Oprah Winfrey's School for Girls in South Africa. In 2011, Robert became the first police officer to conduct a child sexual abuse training seminar for the clergy in the Vatican - Rome. In 2012, he collaborated with the Boys Scouts of America following the court ordered release of the ineligible volunteer or so called "perversion files." In 2015, he returned to the Vatican - Rome to conduct a child sexual abuse training seminar for the clergy.

As an internationally recognized expert, consultant, author and instructor in child abuse investigation techniques Robert has conducted thousands of child abuse investigation training seminars for the U.S. Department of Justice, the F.B.I. and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in all 50 of the United States and in 22 different countries for INTERPOL. As a result of his unique training curriculum, the numerous investigative techniques he developed have been implemented by thousands of police departments, child protection agencies, child advocacy centers, MDT's and prosecutors throughout the world.

About the Seminars:

Each of Farley International's Core or Specialized child abuse training seminars is flexible so that they may be presented in as little as two hours or as much as one full day in length. Any of the seminar topics may also be utilized for a keynote address or a plenary session. Based on the needs of your agency, MDT or community, each seminar may also be customized to address your specific requirements or issues.

Core – Child Abuse Training Seminars Presented by Farley International

1. Physical Child Abuse Injury Reconstruction Techniques (3 hours to One day)

Robert Hugh Farley MS presents an intensive training seminar that will focus on nonaccidental injuries inflicted on children. The seminar will emphasize the specific techniques that may be used by the investigator in the assessment, investigation and reconstruction of cases involving soft tissue injuries such as bruises, lacerations and burns. In addition, the various weapons utilized by the offender in child abuse situations will also be identified and discussed. The seminar will also address the circumstances and evaluation of deprived and neglected children. Lastly, the curriculum offers case illustrations that encourage hands on participation by the student.

Additional topics addressed at the seminar:

- Abusive caretaker assessment
- Networking within the MDT
- The role of family or juvenile court vs. criminal court
- Soft tissue injury assessment
- Neglect child abuse injury reconstruction
- Physical child abuse dynamics
- Dealing with the issue of "criminal intent"
- The role of the physician, the emergency room and the paramedic
- Interview themes for the abusive and the non-abusive caretaker
- Talking with the "target child"
- Child abuse weapon identification
- Bruise and wound configuration assessment
- Abuse injury comparison studies
- Identification and recovery of physical evidence
- Open and closed soft tissue injury reconstruction
- Identification and reconstruction of soft tissue injuries from hands, belts, cords and other household implements
- Identification of bite marks
- Reconstructing wet and dry burns
- Recovering potential evidence with a consent to search vs. a search warrant
- Child abuse homicide and child death investigations

2. Emerging Trends in Child Sexual Abuse Investigations: Multi-Disciplinary "Team" Child Abuse Investigative Techniques (1.5 hours to One day)

Robert Hugh Farley MS presents an innovative training seminar that addresses the

investigation of child sexual abuse and also looks at the "compliant victim." The seminar explores the strategic planning that is required in conducting a step-by-step and comprehensive investigation of the circumstances in suspected child sexual abuse cases along with accountability issues pertaining to the caretaker and other family members. The seminar also examines the identification of potential corroborating witnesses, the joint collection of essential facts and the recognition and recovery of different types of specific corroborating evidence all of which often narrow the focus of the investigation to a specific suspect, while at the same, time anticipating a possible defense. Lastly, the seminar identifies the roles and responsibilities of all of the members of the Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) while stressing the importance of information sharing during an investigation.

Additional topics addressed at the seminar:

- Understanding the dynamics of child sexual abuse vs. sexual exploitation
- Conducting joint investigations law enforcement and child protective services
- Child sexual abuse indicators
- Child abuse seduction sexual activity
- The role of technology in the sexual abuse of children and young people
- Child molester profiles and the various seduction and molestation techniques
- Locating and identifying child molester collections Child Erotica / Child Pornography / Trophies
- Utilizing consent to search forms vs. search warrants
- Addressing the special needs of the technology facilitated "compliant" victim
- Networking with the prosecutor, medical and the mental health MDT members
- Victim disclosure and talking about the abuse
- Assessing the child sexual abuse victim allegation and corroboration
- Information to be obtained during a victim interview and the corroboration of specific details
- Utilizing the freehand drawing interview process for clarification during a child abuse interview

3. Critical Conversations for Child Maltreatment: Interviewing the Suspect, the Caretaker and the Victim (3.0 hours to One day)

Robert Hugh Farley MS presents a rigorous training seminar that addresses the investigation of child maltreatment by demonstrating a variety of techniques for one-on-one dialogue with the suspect, the caretaker and the victim. Utilizing lecture, class discussion and role playing, this seminar will supply the student with the necessary tools and skills to develop an initial strategy to "get the target of the interview to talk." Following proper theme development and appropriate delivery by the interviewer, the seminar will also demonstrate how to move a guilty suspect past the stages of lies and deception in order to provide a complete, full admission and finally a confession. The

seminar also examines the identification and collection of essential facts and the recognition and recovery of different types of specific corroborating evidence.

In physical abuse cases the interviewer will provided with themes to enlist the caretaker's assistance in explaining the "accident." For sexual abuse cases the FBI Child Molester Profile will be utilized to identify the potential deceitful and truthful characteristics of the situational child molester or a preferential child molester. Lastly the seminar will demonstrate how one can narrow the focus of the investigation to a specific suspect while anticipating a possible defense.

Additional topics addressed at the seminar:

- Conducting joint investigations law enforcement and child protective services
- Questioning, Interviewing and Interrogating
- Preparing for the child maltreatment initial interview
- How did the accident happen?
- Caretaker theme development for physical abuse and child death Investigations
- Physical child abuse weapon identification
- Understanding the dynamics of child sexual abuse vs. sexual exploitation
- Theme development for child sexual abuse and child sexual exploitation
- Child molester profiles, seduction and molestation techniques
- Identifying then locating child molester collections Child Erotica / Child Pornography / Trophies
- Assessing the suspect for technology facilitated crimes
- Suspect admission and statement
- Addressing the special needs of the "compliant" exploitation victim
- Victim disclosure and talking about the abuse
- Assessing the child sexual abuse victim allegation and corroboration
- Utilizing the freehand drawing interview process for clarification during a child abuse interview

4. Investigating Technology Facilitated Crimes against Children (1.5 hours to One day)

Robert Hugh Farley MS presents a state of the art training seminar that illustrates the ever growing problem of child molesters who target children and young people via the Internet, smart phones and other technology. The seminar will identify and then illustrate the methodologies and seduction techniques employed by the child molester in the various social networking sites, the World Wide Web, a variety of device Apps and the Deep Web. Additionally, the seminar examines the topics of child erotica, child pornography, and their use by the child molester. Examples of technology facilitated child victims will also be addressed. Lastly, the seminar presents interview techniques that can be used specifically in child sexual exploitation investigations involving the technology facilitated child sexual predator or the preferential child molester.

Additional topics addressed at the seminar:

- Historical background of child sexual exploitation
- The evolution of the online or technology facilitated child exploitation problem that began in 1997 thru today
- The progression of child pornography from Polaroid photos, to camcorders, to digital cameras, and beyond
- The use of the computer, smart phone Apps and the Internet in child sexual exploitation
- Web-cams, chat rooms, IM's, file servers P2P, newsgroups, anonymous proxy servers and the Internet Relay Chat (IRC)
- Exploring the Deep Web or Hidden Web portions of the Internet
- Web page dangers for children involving social networking sites and the online gaming sites
- Executing child molester search warrants and utilizing technology facilitated consent to search forms
- The situational child molester, the preferential child molester and the technology facilitated child sexual predator
- Assessing the suspect for technology facilitated crimes
- Networking with the CAC and interview questions used specifically with the technology facilitated "compliant" child abuse victim
- The child molester's online and cell phone seduction / grooming techniques
- Child molester collections: child pornography, trophies, and child erotica.
- Illustrations of law enforcement's reactive and proactive undercover response to the technology problem
- Networking with national law enforcement resources such as NCMEC, CVIP
- Combating classic and evolving online predator defenses and testifying in technology facilitated child exploitation prosecutions

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5. Undercover as a Pedophile: Six Years in Their Shoes (1.5 hours)

The term child molester is fairly common and is frequently used by the public. Robert Hugh Farley MS, who worked undercover as a pedophile for six years, in a federal strike force, in a three state area, presents an eye opening seminar that explores the distorted world, the rationalizations and the behavioral dynamics of those individuals who sexually abuse children. The seminar will identify and then discuss the methodologies and seduction techniques employed by the pedophile, the situational child molester, the preferential child molester and the technology facilitated child sexual predator. Lastly, the seminar examines the topics of child erotica, child pornography, trophies and their use by the child molester.

6. Understanding Child Sexual Abuse and the Technology Facilitated "Compliant Victim" (1.5 hours)

Children and teens have changed their way of thinking about personal issues and about communication. As a result, some victims of child sexual abuse have been referred to as "compliant victims." Robert Hugh Farley MS addresses the investigation of child sexual exploitation and looks at the role of technology and the "compliant victim." The methodologies and grooming techniques employed by the technology facilitated child sexual predator using social media, smart phone apps and on the Internet are identified and illustrated. In addition, prosecution issues for this type of victimization will be addressed.

7. Freehand Drawings: A Clarification Technique for Child Abuse Investigations (1.5 hours)

Utilizing sensitive and poignant vignettes, Robert Hugh Farley MS presents visual illustrations of sexual abuse and violent behavior not only received, but also witnessed by children and young people. Freehand drawings can provide victims of child maltreatment with a canvas to project and safely describe their experiences. Additionally, the drawings can provide valuable information for the forensic interviewer, investigators, prosecutors and treatment providers.

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