

SAVE THE DATE:  
Thursday September 30, 2021  
Friday October 1, 2021

# FORENSIC INVESTIGATION AND LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO CRIMES AGAINST THE ELDERLY AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES



**SPONSORED BY:**

THE SHAKEN BABY ALLIANCE  
DALLAS CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER  
THE SENIOR SOURCE OF DALLAS

**MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF:**

THE KING FOUNDATION  
N.D. COBDEN TRUST

**REGISTRATION  
BEGINS JULY 15**



**[WWW.SHAKENBABY.ORG](http://WWW.SHAKENBABY.ORG)**

**SUPPORT. PREVENTION. JUSTICE.**

# BACKGROUND

According to the National Center for Elder Abuse, research and practice have shown approximately 1 in 10 Americans aged 60+ have experienced some form of abuse.



Studies show that nearly 50% of those with dementia experienced abuse or neglect. Interpersonal violence occurs at higher rates among adults with disabilities. This past year of COVID related issues such as isolation, financial stress, and concerns about health—led to increased depression and anxiety, making older adults and people with disabilities more susceptible to abuse and neglect. The elderly and people with disabilities need our help to be protected now, more than ever before.

Our two-day conference addresses the challenges of elder abuse and neglect. Successful case outcomes depend on the investigator having the knowledge and skills to develop a solid legal case. This includes a thorough medical examination, proper diagnosis, a complete and timely investigation, and knowledgeable responses by civil and criminal legal systems. Our training, taught by a faculty of subject matter experts who are board certified or other-wise credentialed and practicing in the field, provides these tools.

# 50%

of those with dementia experienced abuse or neglect.

## WHO?

Law Enforcement, Adult Protective Services, First Responders, Mental Health Providers, Attorneys and Legal Staff, Social Workers, Advocates, Medical Providers, Fraud and Financial Crime Investigators, and others involved in abuse cases involving the elderly and people with disabilities.

## WHAT?

Two-day conference highlighting investigations and legal issues in elder abuse and people with disabilities.

## WHEN?

Thursday, September 30, 2021, 8.30 am to 4.30 pm.

Friday, October 1, 2021, 8.30 am to 4.30 pm.

Registration: 8:00 am

## WHERE?

**IN PERSON** on a first come first serve basis.

Dallas Children's Advocacy Center  
5351 Samuell Blvd, Dallas, TX 75228

**LIMITED SEATING. REGISTER EARLY.**

**VIRTUAL DELIVERY**

## COST:

\$199

## CEU'S:

TCOLE, CLE, Social Work

## FACULTY:

### Medical Aspects of Elder Abuse: Finding Truths in More Challenging Settings

Jamie Downs, MD, forensX, LLC

### Forensic Investigative Techniques: The 12 Elements of the Successful Forensic Investigation

Detective Shane Kizer, Denton PD.

Bonnie Armstrong, ED, The Shaken Baby Alliance

### Legal Aspects of Building a Case

Elisa Reiter, JD

Underwood and Perkins, PC

### Ethics with the Elderly and those with Disabilities

Melinda Hartnett, JD, The Hartnett Law Firm

### Texas Guardianship Reform

Judge Brenda Hull Thompson, JD, Presiding Judge, Probate Court of Dallas County

### Financial Exploitation

Julie Krawczyk, Director, Senior Source Elder Abuse Financial Center, Steve Benton, Financial Director

### Case Study: 4949 Swiss Avenue

Donna Max, JD, Asst. US Attorney

## HOTEL:

Sheraton Dallas Hotel

400 Olive St, Dallas, TX 75201

CODE: GOV

[www.SheratonDallas.com](http://www.SheratonDallas.com)



## ABOUT THE SHAKEN BABY ALLIANCE

The Shaken Baby Alliance (SBA) mission is to provide SUPPORT for victim families and professionals, PREVENTION of child and elder abuse, and JUSTICE for the innocent victims.

SBA was founded on a Fort Worth kitchen table by three mothers whose children were victims of Shaken Baby Syndrome and could find no resources or support. We obtained our 501(c) 3 status in 1998 and meet our mission with three programs: Victim Family Support, Professional Support (Training and Case Consultation), and Prevention Education.

We have served over 6,000 victim family members at no charge. We reach families left behind and not served by other programs. Our children and elders who survive physical abuse often have life-long disabilities due to their injuries. For those whose children or loved ones are deceased, the grief never ends. Many of our families have been served 20+ years, and SBA has helped with various needs from birth through adulthood.

SBA's award-winning training programs have taught best practice standards to over 28,000 professionals in the field of forensics. We have provided technical support on over 2,000 cases, requested by investigative and legal professionals on complex physical abuse and death cases.



**REGISTRATION OPENS JULY 15:**

**[WWW.SHAKENBABY.ORG](http://WWW.SHAKENBABY.ORG)**