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“Our Requiem; Dentistry, Death and the Law in Contemporary Forensic Science” 3.0CE

Synopsis: The roles that dentistry serves for forensic science continue to evolve. Forensic dentistry contributes not only to scientific human identification, be it a single individual or a multiple fatality incident and the recognition, evidence preservation and proper documentation of numerous methods and manifestations of abuse, but also in assisting law enforcement with missing persons, cold case investigations, and in matters of litigation citing parameters or standards of dental care.

This program will provide a comprehensive account of a dental autopsy. The photographic, radiographic and clinical management techniques necessary to several postmortem states will be shown, including: skeletonized, fragmented, decomposed and burned. The publically accessible database for missing, unidentified and unclaimed persons will be introduced for the cyber sleuth ready to volunteer! State and Federal multiple fatality incident management systems will be overviewed.

Learning Objectives:

- Reinforce the value and dependability of accurate dental records to matters of law.
- Develop a greater understanding of the management and jurisdiction of medical investigation and multiple fatality events.
- Be able to characterize less obvious indications of abuse and violence in children, adults and elders. Develop resources, office protocol and action plans for employees, patients and your practice community to intervene when abuse is recognized or suspected.

