

MISSISSIPPI LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS
TRAINING ACADEMY AND ACE INSTITUTE'S

CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN CERTIFIED INVESTIGATOR COURSE

4-Week Basic to Intermediate Certification Training
for Law Enforcement, Child Protection Services,
Crime Scene Investigators and ICAC Analysts



Course Description

Crimes against children are some of the fastest-growing crimes in our communities, committed against the most vulnerable in our society and are the toughest to bring to trial. These crimes can leave victims with lifelong adversities that are hard to overcome.

This course emphasizes a trauma-informed, victim-centered approach to child abuse investigations grounded in multidisciplinary team collaboration, ensuring that children are protected, investigations produce legally sound and prosecutable cases, and long-term healing and restoration is achieved for victims.

Topics Covered

Legal statutes and investigative best practices for all forms of child maltreatment, including physical abuse, neglect, psychological abuse, torture, sexual abuse and exploitation, commercial sexual exploitation of children, internet crimes against children, child homicides, and missing endangered child cases.



Felony indicators of abuse

Recognizing and understanding the physical, developmental, emotional, and behavioral indicators of abuse applicable to felony child abuse and neglect statutes



Legal Statutes

Identifying and utilizing relevant legal statutes, and definitions to achieve successful prosecutions of child abuse cases.



Offender Characteristics

Understanding offender risk factors, profiles, and characteristics



Trauma informed and forensically sound interviews

Conducting forensically sound interviews with children, suspects, and collateral witnesses.



Evidence collection and case development

Investigative best practices in gathering, preserving, interpreting, and presenting medical, developmental, physical, digital, and other types of evidence.



Legal Issues

Understanding common legal issues in child abuse cases, preparing for court, delivering credible testimony, and overcoming common challenges in prosecution.



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Earlybird Price - \$1300 thru February 27, 2026

\$1500 starting March 1, 2026

Includes all 4 weeks

Space is limited

Registration



2026 Dates

Week 1 - April 20-23, 2026

Physical Abuse and Neglect, including Torture, Strangulation, Homicides, Drownings, and more. Evidence collection and preservation, State Statutes, Beginning a Case File and Case Simulation

Week 2 - May 18-21, 2026

Sexual Abuse Cases, Predator Profiles and Interviews, Forensic Interviews, Neurobiology of a sexual assault and implications on memory and recall, Legal Issues, State Statutes, Case Simulation

Week 3 - June 22-25, 2026

Human Trafficking and Missing Endangered Children with Case Simulation

Week 4 - July 27-30, 2026

Internet Crimes Against Children, Legal Challenges in Child Cases, Trial Simulation, and Graduation

**** This is a tentative schedule and is subject to change.**

Space is limited to 25 People:

Reserved for law enforcement, child protection services, crime scene investigators or ICAC analysts only.

*****Must be in attendance all 4 weeks to be certified.**

Price does NOT include lodging, meals or travel

Course Registration:

Contact Hollie Jeffery @ hollie.jefferylmsw@gmail.com
or 662-816-8422 for more information about registration or register at this link -
<https://forms.gle/Eqa1BZkp2zszoVpx6>

Lodging and Meals:

Contact MLEOTA for lodging and meals
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