



PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

UNDERSTANDING AND INVESTIGATING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

June 6, 2018

8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Rowan College at Gloucester County (South)

Instructional Center – Room 430

1400 Tanyard Road

Sewell, New Jersey, 08080

COURSE MATERIALS

You will receive class materials prior to the date of the course. The materials will be contained in an email attachment. Resource materials will be distributed on the day of the program.

Program Summary

This program will provide assistant prosecutors and law enforcement personnel with an advanced understanding of domestic violence and the dynamics that make up this crime. The training will include an in-depth review of established best practices for investigating domestic violence cases, including addressing officer safety concerns and implementing safety protocols when responding to DV calls. The course will also cover understanding how cultural identities affect domestic violence and police response, why domestic violence victims may remain in abusive relationships or return to their abusers and how to best support victims and provide them with resources throughout the legal process. Upon completion of the program, attendees will be able to identify domestic violence and lethality indicators, practice strategies for maintaining safety when responding to domestic violence calls, demonstrate victim-centered domestic violence investigation approaches, and work more effectively with victims of domestic violence from a variety of cultures, religions, sexual orientations, races/ethnicities, and disability statuses.

Who Should Attend?

This program is only open to assistant prosecutors and law enforcement officers. Please do not attempt to register for this program if you are not an assistant prosecutor or law enforcement officer.

Who Is the Faculty?

Sonja Furlow is a career Assistant Prosecutor in the Camden County Prosecutor's Office. She is currently Section Chief of the Domestic Violence Unit, which investigates and prosecutes all cases involving acts of domestic violence. Furlow previously served as Section Chief of the Community Partnership & Prosecutions Unit and Deputy Section Chief of the Trial Team Unit and has also worked in the Motions & Appeals, Juvenile, Grand Jury, Trial Team and Special Prosecutions units. Since joining the Camden County Prosecutor's Office in 1998, Furlow has prosecuted cases involving assault, robbery, burglary, eluding, official misconduct and murder.

Dennis Richards is a Detective in the Gloucester Township Police Department. In 2015, he was assigned to a newly created position of Domestic Violence Detective. He and one other detective oversee all DV cases, including victim and defendant follow up, departmental DV training, and community outreach pertaining to Domestic Violence. Richards has been a member of the Special Response Team (SWAT) since 2011 and has also served as an FTO, academy instructor, and shift investigator. He was previously a patrolman, special police officer and State and county corrections officer.

CLE Credit

NJ CLE Credit: This program had been approved by the Board on Continuing Legal Education of the Supreme Court of New Jersey for 6 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 0.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism.

NY CLE Credit: 6 Substantive Credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy).

PA CLE Credit: 5 Substantive Credits (\$7.50 mandatory registration fee required).

How Do I Register?

Please copy and paste the following link into your browser to register for this program through Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/domestic-violence-njsp-training-southern-new-jersey-location-registration-44962742774?aff=affiliate1>

Please do not attempt to register through the AGAI course registration system.