

Los Angeles Police Department
LD7 Crimes Against Persons/Death Investigation
EV6 Crimes Against Persons
S13 Death Investigation

Learning Activity #1

Purpose: Police Officers must understand the importance of officers' responsibilities at the scene of death investigation.

Description: Assemble class into (4) groups. Each group will be given a Death Investigation Topic.

The Death Investigation Topics

1. Homicide
2. Suicide
3. Natural
4. Accidental
5. SIDS

The Groups will identify the following based on their topic and present to the class. The instructor will debrief each of the topics with the class.

Homicide, Suicide, Natural [7.VII.A:1, 2, 3, 4] [7.VII.D:1, 2, 3, 4]

1. Initial actions
2. Sources of Information
3. Establishing elements of crime scene
4. Physical evidence of crime scene

SIDS [7.VII.B:1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6] [7.VII.C:1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]

1. Initial Actions
2. Sources of Information
3. Indications that a SIDS death occurred
4. Identification of information and community resources for SIDS survivors
5. Explanation of SIDS facts and required investigative task to parents/child care workers involved
6. Physical Evidence considerations

Resources needed:

- Flip Chart
- Markers

Time required: 30 minutes.