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Colleagues,

Several weeks ago I highlighted the catastrophic flooding that affected many of those living in Louisiana. The event has been described as the worst U.S. natural disaster since hurricane Sandy in 2012. At the time, I reached out to the crime lab directors in Louisiana to determine how many forensic laboratory personnel were affected. Over time, they have identified 15 individuals from 2 Louisiana forensic laboratories who have sustained significant losses due to the flooding. While the immediate danger of the flooding has subsided, the rebuilding of homes and lives is still in its infancy. In many instances, flooding occurred in locations that had never flooded before, and many individuals did not have flood insurance.

I'm pleased to announce today that ASCLD is partnering with the Louisiana Association of Forensic Scientists to create a financial relief fund where you can contribute direct financial assistance to the affected forensic professionals in Louisiana. Every single dollar will be passed along to affected individuals and all monies collected will be divided evenly.

If you would like to contribute to the relief fund, you may mail a check to the following address. (Note please indicate "Louisiana Flood Relief Fund" in the memo field.)

Louisiana Association of Forensic Scientists
Attn: Cheryl Swearingen
376 East Airport Ave.
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

You may also contribute using a credit or debit card by contacting the LAFS Treasurer at [225 925-4937](tel:225-925-4937) or [225 229-9960](tel:225-229-9960).

Please join me in making a donation to your fellow forensic professionals who have sustained significant financial losses in the Louisiana flooding of 2016.

Kindest regards,
Jeremy Triplett

Infrastructure Committee's (QIC) Impact Assessment Task Group are seeking informal feedback from lab directors to assess the laboratory impact of the following proposed standard(s) being considered for inclusion on the OSAC Registry of Standards. This survey should take about 4 minutes to complete. For further information, and to review each proposed standard, click the appropriate link(s) below. If you have any questions about this process, please contact the Impact Assessment Task Group Chair Arlene Hall at Arlene.Hall@isp.state.il.us.

Click here for the link to the QIC survey for proposed standard ASTM: E2451-13 Standard Practice for Preserving Ignitable Liquids and Ignitable Liquid Residue Extracts from Fire Debris Samples:
<https://goo.gl/forms/Yie5nMA3BYJHNg382>

NOTE: Access to the proposed standard and the formal public comment period are available until September 20, 2016. The QIC survey will be available until September 25, 2016. We apologize for the short deadline but your feedback is important.

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Hello Everyone,

Marshall University Forensic Science is offering the DNA Technical Assistance Program (DNA TAP) again this year. Attached is the DNA TAP Information flyer and the associated DNA TAP Request Form should you have validation or evaluation needs. Beginning this week, a limited number of DNA TAP students are in training at the MU Forensic Science Center from now until May for their summer 2017 DNA TAP assignments. No assignments have been made at this time so please apply early this fall to have the best chance to be assigned a DNA TAP student.

Please feel free to call [304-634-5263](tel:304-634-5263) or email staton1@marshall.edu should you have questions or wish to apply but need more information. If you are new to this program, I would be happy to set up a conference call with your group to discuss this further.

Also, please feel free to forward this email and its attachments to a colleague.

Thank you,
Pam

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Research Reports

NIJ Forensic Science R&D Reports for ASCLD Crime Lab Minute Vol 6
These research reports have been submitted by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) especially for their relevance to crime laboratory activities. ASCLD has

not reviewed nor does it necessarily endorse the findings of this research.

[For Comment: "National Best Practices for Sexual Assault Kits: A Multidisciplinary Approach"](#)

NIJ convened a working group of experts to develop recommendations for the accurate, timely and effective collection and processing of sexual assault evidence. The draft document, "National Best Practices for Sexual Assault Kits: A Multidisciplinary Approach," is available for public comment until September 2, 2016.

[Registration Open for Looking Ahead: the National Sexual Assault Policy Symposium](#)

Looking Ahead: The National Sexual Assault Policy Symposium, to be held September 8-9, 2016, supports efforts to solve sexual assault cases, provide justice to victims, and ultimately improve public health and public safety. This unprecedented event focuses on how the nation is moving forward and finding solutions to the complex issues that arise in testing sexual assault evidence. Register to attend soon; seating is limited.

[Identifying Missing Persons Through Legislation](#)

New York State Governor Cuomo recently signed Bill A10278, which will amend the executive law, section 838, in relation to the identification of unknown dead and missing persons. Specifically it creates a requirement that, upon receipt of unidentified remains, all New York county medical examiners and coroners will be required to report identifying information of those remains to the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System, NamUs.

[Using a Portable Mass Spectrometer to Analyze Crime Scene Evidence](#)

The work of NIJ-supported researchers from Virginia Commonwealth University, was recently featured by the *Chicago Tribune*. Their study focuses on the development of a smaller, more portable version of a mass spectrometer to allow faster and simpler analysis of crime scene evidence.

[Ballistics Toolmark Research Database](#)

The National Institute of Standards and Technology, with support from NIJ, created an open-access database to collect 3D models of bullets and cases. Now researchers can get the data they need to develop a variety of ballistics-matching algorithms.

[Forensic Science Research Evaluation Workshop - A Discussion on the Fundamentals of Research Design and an Evaluation of Available Literature](#)

This NIJ and National Science Foundation-supported workshop was formed to discuss the fundamentals of research design and the evaluation of the forensic science literature. The NCFCS recognized that forensic scientists and the OSACs would benefit from tools to help them assess the scientific literature in order to conform to higher scientific standards in critical thinking and laboratory performance. This publication is a resource for evaluating and elevating the research efforts in the forensic sciences and that it may be useful to OSAC members, advanced practitioners, and peer reviewers of the basics of research and evaluation of forensic science literature, as well as for Directors of Master of Forensic Science educational programs.

[Bath Salt-type Aminoketone Designer Drugs: Analytical and Synthetic Studies on Substituted Cathinones](#)

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(ANAB) ANAB provides accreditation for ISO/IEC 17025 forensic test laboratories and ISO/IEC 17020 forensic inspection agencies and a wide variety of training, workshops, and academic programs.

[ASCLD-LAB Training](#)

Training classes to help forensic laboratory personnel understand the requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 General Requirements for the Competency of Testing and Calibration Laboratories.

[ASCLD/LAB-International Assessor Training Course for Testing Laboratories](#)

[ASCLD/LAB-International Assessor Training Course for Breath Alcohol Calibration](#)

[ASCLD/LAB-International Internal Auditor Training Course](#)

[ASCLD/LAB-International Preparation Course for Testing Laboratories](#)

Forensic laboratories face an ongoing problem of trying to analyze and identify “designer drugs” that, by definition, are being designed in clandestine drug laboratories to be structurally different than previous drugs. This NIJ-supported project from researchers at Auburn University focused on issues of resolution and discriminatory capabilities of forensic drug tests to increase the reliability and selectivity of such tests in identifying “new analytes of the so-called bath salt-type drugs.” The project provides the methodology and analytical data to allow investigators to “discriminate between those regioisomeric and isobaric molecules having the same molecular weight and major fragments of equivalent mass.” In summary, the research will better allow forensic experts to identify changing designer drugs.

Modern Compendium of Microcrystal Tests for Illicit Drugs and Diverted Pharmaceuticals

Intended for use by forensic scientists in the crime laboratory and researchers in the analytical chemistry laboratory, this NIJ-supported compendium contains information on 19 illicit or diverted pharmaceutical drugs for which microcrystal tests, using various reagents, have been previously developed.

Utility of Postmortem X-ray Computed Tomography (CT) in Supplanting or Supplementing Medicolegal Autopsies

This NIJ-supported study tested hypotheses regarding the use of postmortem X-ray computed tomography (CT) scans for the following types of cases: blunt force injuries, childhood traumatic fatalities, firearm injuries, and potential drug poisoning deaths. Comparison of autopsy to PMCT revealed neither modality is perfect, but both independently allow correct assessment of severity of injuries and cause of death.

Computerized Reconstruction of Fragmentary Skeletal Remains for Purposes of Extracting Osteometric Measurements and Estimating MNI

Identifying, matching and reconstructing human bone fragments from commingled mass graves, highly fragmentary individual burials, or in the wake of mass disasters, has long been a serious challenge to forensic anthropologists. In this NIJ-supported project, researchers at the University of Tennessee developed an osteological scene management tool in the form of software that enables investigators to quantify and reconstruct fragmentary human skeletal remains from three-dimensional surface files generated by computed-tomography or laser scans. The project expands the usefulness of the existing statistical atlases into the analysis of fragmentary and commingled remains and provides anthropologists with a means to quantify and reconstruct remains that are damaged or fragmentary, thereby enhancing analyses in challenging cases.

Genomic Tools to Reduce Error in PMI Estimates Derived from Entomological Evidence

Forensic entomologists routinely estimate the age of immature insects like blow flies in determining the time of death of crime victims. In this NIJ-supported project, researchers from Texas A&M University sought to improve the precision of estimates of blow fly age through the use of genetics – specifically the role and consequences of genetic variation in blow fly traits. While describing their work as “preliminary,” the researchers said it “has expanded our knowledge of the role of genetics in development time variation, showing that there is ample wild genetic variation that could potentially impact forensic predictions.”

[ASCLD/LAB-International Preparation Course for Calibration Laboratories](#)

[American Association for Laboratory Accreditation \(A2LA\)](#)

A2LA's Training Program



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[Independent Validation Services](#) are customized to meet your laboratory's needs. Validation services provide completely unbiased analysis on your equipment, chemistries, or process.

Employment Opportunities

[Laboratory Information Management System \(LIMS\) Administrator](#), Columbus Police Crime Laboratory, Columbus, Ohio, Expires: October 3, 2016

[Forensic Scientist, Biology](#), Ontario Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Sault Ste. Marie, Expires: September 30, 2016

[Forensic Scientist Entry/1 \(DNA\)](#), Oregon State Police, Portland Metro Forensic Laboratory, Clackamas, OR, Expires: October 5, 2016

[Crime Lab Forensic Scientist 2- Latent Print Unit](#), Metro Nashville Police Department – Crime Laboratory, Nashville, Tennessee, Expires: September 30, 2016

[Senior Forensic DNA Analyst](#), CAMRIS – Dover, DE, Dover, Delaware, Expires: December 15, 2016

[Forensic Scientist – Controlled Substances](#), Virginia Dept. of Forensic Science, Roanoke, VA, Expires: September 30, 2016

[Digital Forensics Tenure Track Faculty Position](#), Marshall University Forensic Science Center, Huntington, WV 25701, Expires: November 15, 2016

[Forensic DNA Validation Specialist](#), Onondaga County Forensic Laboratories, Syracuse, NY, Expires: September 30, 2016

News Around the Globe

Aeolus Announces Publication of Additional Data Demonstrating Efficacy of AEOL 10150 in Sulfur ...
[Digital Journal](#)

The data was recently published on-line in the journal Toxicological Sciences and is from studies performed by Brian Day, PhD, Vice Chair of ...

New software will help York County crime lab untangle complex DNA mixtures

[The Herald](#)

A similar software called TrueAllele has put the Richland County Sheriff's Department DNA lab "on the cutting edge of forensic genotyping" by helping ... Siddharth's blood sample 'tampered': FSL

[Times of India](#)

JAIPUR: The Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL), which checked the blood samples of Siddharth Maharia and those found on the seat, steering and ...

Atwatr 'disappointed' as state fire lab suffers new setback

[Tampabay.com \(blog\)](#)

A three-member appeal board upheld nine of 11 negative findings against the lab. The American Society of Crime Lab Directors (ASCLD) launched ... Honey oil lab discovered after residential fire

[Highland Community News \(subscription\)](#)

After the fire was extinguished, investigators recovered evidence of an illegal drug lab inside one of the bedrooms. Bomb and Arson detectives, as well ...

Philippines' Rodrigo Duterte wants 6 months to tackle drug problem

[CNN International](#)

"I did not have any idea that there were hundreds of thousands of people already in the drug business and what makes it worse is that they are ...

JonBenet Ramsey Experts Examine DNA Found on Her Underwear in 'The Case Of' Sneak Peek

[Us Weekly](#)

A shocking detail. In a new sneak peek from The Case Of: JonBenet Ramsey, forensic experts examine the DNA evidence found on the 6-year-old ...

Rabia Khan hires UK forensic expert to question probe into Jiah's death

[Deccan Chronicle](#)

When the High Court asked them to show the dupatta, they said that it was with the Forensic Science Laboratory for a dna test. But the FSL makes no ...

Build a forensic medical lab now

[The Standard \(press release\)](#)

When the late Hon Senator Mutula Kilonzo was found dead in his farm, parts of his body tissues were flown abroad for examination. Up to now the ...

Though toxicology rules out suicide, Lincoln Parkin still missed in Weber

[Standard-Examiner](#)

Now, Brent Parkin said results of the autopsy and toxicology report showed nothing unusual in his son's death or anything that would indicate suicide.

DNA testing at forensic lab more than a few years off

[Stabroek News](#)

DNA testing capacity at the Guyana Forensic Laboratory is more than a few years off, according to Minister of Public Security Khemraj Ramjattan.

WV's testing of rape kits lags other states

[Huntington Herald Dispatch](#)

The forensic center's lab received 315 cases from Cabell County, with 167 of those yielding DNA. Of those, 100 were able to be loaded by West ...

Rabia Khan hires UK forensic expert to probe into daughter Jiah's death

[Times of India](#)

Khan added that the HC had even asked the police to show the dupatta, to which they said it was with the Forensic Science Laboratory for a DNA test.

[Forensic Specialist IV – Latent Print Examiner OO](#), Kansas City Police Crime Laboratory, Kansas City, MO, Expires: September 30, 2016

[Forensic Scientist – Breath Alcohol](#), Virginia Dept. of Forensic Science, Richmond, VA, Expires: September 20, 2016

[Associate Medical Examiner](#), Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Decatur, Georgia, Expires: December 31, 2016

[Associate Medical Examiner](#), Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Savannah, Georgia, Expires: December 31, 2016

[Supervisory DNA Analyst](#), CAMRIS International, Dover, Delaware, Expires: November 22, 2016

[Nuclear DNA Analyst](#), CAMRIS – Dover, DE, Dover, Delaware, United States, 19901, Expires: November 20, 2016

[Assistant Technical Leader \(Mid-Senior Level\)](#), CAMRIS International, Dover, DE, Expires: November 20, 2016

[Senior Forensic Toxicologist \(Chemist\)](#), CAMRIS International, Dover, Delaware, United States, 19901, Expires: November 22, 2016

[Mitochondrial DNA Analyst](#), CAMRIS International, Dover, Delaware, United States, 19902, Expires: November 20, 2016

[Tenure Track Faculty Position: Assistant/Associate Professor in Forensic Science Department](#), University of New Haven, West Haven, Connecticut, Expires: November 20, 2016

[CHIEF FORENSIC LABORATORIES](#), The Los Angeles County Department of Medical Examiner – Coroner, Los Angeles, CA, Expires: November 15, 2016

[Forensic DNA Technical Leader](#), Mitotyping Technologies (Division of Health Network Laboratories, State College, PA, Expires: October 17, 2016

[Laboratory Director, Identity Testing](#), Mitotyping Technologies (Division of Health Network Laboratories, State College, PA, Expires: October 17, 2016

[Assistant Director of Toxicology, Controlled Substance & Chemistry](#), Connecticut Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection – Division of Scientific Services, Meriden, CT, Expires: October 3, 2016

[Criminalist, Level II](#), New York City Office of Chief Medical Examiner, New York, New York, Expires: December 30, 2016

[Assistant/Associate Professor of Forensic Science](#), Department of Forensic Science, College of Criminal Justice, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas, Expires: December 31, 2016

[Forensic Conferences](#)

WVU Forensic Management Academy
Six days on-site in Pittsburgh, PA
Click [here](#) for course description and registration.

Oct 3-7, 2016: [Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientist \(MAFS\)](#) – Branson, Missouri

Oct 2016: [15th Annual AFQAM Conference](#) – Little Rock, AR

Oct 16-21, 2016: [Society of Forensic Toxicologists](#) – Dallas, TX

Oct 2016: [Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists](#) – Galveston, TX

APD committed to clearing DNA case backlog
[KVUE.com](#)

The Austin Police Department has been under the spotlight lately when it comes to their crime lab and the amount of DNA tests that need to be done.

Forensic science strategy vague and incoherent, MPs say
[BBC News](#)

The Forensic Science Strategy, which aims to set up a new system to oversee ... "The strategy sets out a clear vision for the future of forensic service ...

Scientists to unlock DNA of Kiwi couple whose children died of mystery illness
[Stuff.co.nz](#)

Scientists to unlock DNA of Kiwi couple whose children died of mystery ... The couple's DNA has been sent to scientists who are working to unlock ...

Ministers want forensic expert to lead Nama probe
[Irish Independent](#)

While handing the inquiry to a judge has not been ruled out, it is expected that the investigation team will include several forensic accountants.

DNA Test For All
[Kuwait Times](#)

The DNA law is raising considerable controversy in the Kuwaiti society these days, because some fear the consequences of the actual implementation ...

Toxicology reports pending for missing woman found dead on Home Depot roof
[The Oakland Press](#)

The news on the death investigation comes from the Oakland County Medical Examiner's Office, who performed the autopsy Friday afternoon.

No charges against Kirby: Auburn mayor cleared by Monterey County DA
[Auburn Journal](#)

The California Department of Justice, who processed the toxicology results, did not return a media request for the toxicology findings Thursday.

Issues with APD crime lab operation uncovered in May audit
[KEYE TV](#)

The Austin Police Department's Crime Lab won't reopen for months. There are thousands of cases in the backlog, and police are outsourcing them to ...

7 Crime Scene Investigation Books To Help You Channel Your Inner NCIS
[Bustle](#)

The book has a ton of interesting stories about the history of forensics (the first crime investigation laboratory opened in Lyon, France in 1910), and .

Defense attorneys say Austin Police Department crime lab cut corners
[Austin American-Statesman](#)

"For years, the Austin Police Department has known its DNA lab was taking shortcuts to save time and money at the expense of science," the defense ...

DNA project unites related strangers, helps science
[Fox5NY](#)

DNA.Land is a nonprofit website developed by scientists at the New York ... Land users have already found at least one relative within the DNA.

Trial in teen's cold case murder hinges on DNA, attorneys say
[KSL.com](#)

HEBER CITY — A murder trial 20 years in the making is underway in Heber City, where a jury will consider whether a DNA link is enough to prove ...

Arlene Arkinson: Forensic team at site of new search for teenager
[BBC News](#)

A specialist forensic team has arrived at the site of a new search for missing teenager Arlene Arkinson. The 15-year-old from Castlederg, County ...

Renown, DRI & governor's office partner to offer DNA

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2nd Session is scheduled to begin October 3, 2016 Hattiesburg, MS at the Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center. Only 25 academy applicants will be selected to attend so apply today!

The total cost for this program including academy tuition, 20 weeks room and board, and 3 meals per day is \$27,500.00.

Click here for complete details, photos, and the admission applications. (Link to: [Ron Smith And Associates LP Academy](#))

Ron Smith & Associates National Forensic Quality Manager Training Academy

March 20, 2017 - March 31, 2017 in Pearl, MS

It is truly amazing that, until now, there has never been a national training academy specifically designed for Quality Managers. Forensic Quality Managers have been expected to learn from "on the job" training that they may receive from a variety of sources, but none of this training has been consistent in the industry. Organizations like the Association of Forensic Quality Assurance Managers have been huge in taking up the mantle of providing various workshops and classes, but it was never intended to take the place of a complete training program. With forensics being under such intense scrutiny these days, agencies who perform forensic analysis must ensure that their work is performed under the guiding principles and standards which are now becoming more clearly defined each day. We, in the forensic should.

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Click here for complete academy details and to complete an academy application today! (Link to: [Ron Smith And Associates QMAcademy](#))

National Footwear & Tire Track Training Academy

OCTOBER 3-14, 2016 (2 weeks Footwear)
OFF (October 17-28, 2016)
OCTOBER 31 - NOVEMBER 11, 2016 (2 weeks Tire Track)

testing for population health study

[KRNV My News 4](#)

RENO, Nev. (NEWS 4 & FOX 11) — Several groups, including Renown Health and Gov. Brian Sandoval's office, are partnering to launch the country's ... Nevada DNA study expanded to 10000

[Reno Gazette Journal](#)

Northern Nevadans want their DNA tested. When a pilot research program to study the DNA of 5,000 Northern Nevadans was announced Thursday, ...

Week one of Norwood Trail ends with more DNA evidence

[FOX 7 Austin](#)

Mark Norwood spent most of Friday listening to DNA experts testify about hair samples that prosecutors claim links him to the 1988 murder of Debra ...

Travis Vader murder trial judge rips apart DNA expert's testimony for defence

[CBC.ca](#)

During the trial, Vader's defence called Libby as an expert in forensic DNA analysis and various streams of genetics. The Seattle-based scientist is the ...

Bill Bratton's Legacy Is Mixed as He Leaves NYPD, Police Observers Say

[DNAinfo](#)

Mayor Bill de Blasio and Police Commissioner Bill Bratton speak about monthly crime numbers during a press conference at NYPD headquarters ...

Prosecutors set to appeal denial of advanced DNA analysis in Anthony Garcia case

[Omaha World-Herald](#)

Prosecutors will venture down the rarest of routes in their attempt to present advanced DNA analysis that could tie Anthony Garcia to the burglary of a ...

DNA sample links man to alleged rape reported in Merriam last year

[Shawnee Mission Post](#)

An Overland Park man arrested last May in connection with an alleged rape that occurred a year ago in Merriam has DNA that matches a sample ...

Gurgaon cops learn to collect forensic evidence

[Times of India](#)

Blood, hair and other such DNA samples should be collected with extreme caution. ... The main aim is to collect forensic evidences properly and preserve them. ... Therefore, cops' knowledge of forensic science evidences will help in ...

Dr. Henry Lee Revisits JonBenét Ramsey Case In CBS Special

[Hartford Courant](#)

... and Jim Clemente in Lee's Connecticut crime lab for the CBS investigative special ... I looked at some of the physical evidence at the crime scene.

Alleged Meth lab at Matewan

[Williamson Daily News](#)

NORTH MATEWAN — A possible Meth Lab explosion at North Matewan ... "We are sending samples to the West Virginia State Police crime lab in ...

Shooting victim says no threats made to suspect

[Montana Standard](#)

In other testimony Thursday, Lynette Lancon, a Montana State Crime Lab firearms examiner, testified that seven cartridge cases found at the crime ...

Ryan Fraud and Forensic Recovery, LLC Acquires Janik Forensics PC

[PR Newswire \(press release\)](#)

This acquisition adds a team of highly qualified forensic professionals ... service offerings, including access to a state-of-the art forensic computer lab ...

DEA wants to criminalize deadly 'Pinky' drug suspected of killing Park City teens

[KUTV 2News](#)

(KUTV) Federal officials have motioned to place the potentially deadly drug known as U-47700 or 'Pinky' on the federal drug schedule which could ...

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It is scheduled to begin September 5, 2016 in Hattiesburg, MS at the Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center. Only 20 academy applicants will be selected to attend.

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The 4 week footwear only academy is set at \$7,500.00.

The 2 week tire track only academy is \$3,750.00.

Cost includes academy instruction, room and board, and 3 meals per day according to training selection.

Click here for complete details and to apply for admission today. (Link to: <http://www.RonSmithandAssociates.com/Footwear>)

Looking Ahead: The National Sexual Assault Policy Symposium

NIJ, through its Forensic Technology Center of Excellence, is hosting Looking Ahead: The National Sexual Assault Policy Symposium on September 8-9, 2016. The symposium focuses on how the nation is moving forward and finding solutions to the complex issues that arise in sexual assault cases and in testing sexual assault evidence.

NIJ expects more than 350 high-level government officials from national, state, and local levels, along with decision-makers from law enforcement agencies, the legal community, and criminal justice coalitions from all 56 states and territories. This unprecedented event will support our nation's policymakers and practitioners as they drive future efforts to solve sexual assault cases, provide justice to victims, and ultimately improve public health and public safety.

Speakers include Pulitzer Prize winners T. Christian Miller and Ken Armstrong, co-authors of "An Unbelievable Story of Rape," Alicia O'Neill from TNT's Cold Justice: Sex Crimes, and victims advocate Natasha Alexenko, founder of Natasha's Justice Project.

[Learn more and read the agenda.](#)

[Register now.](#)

Seating is limited and hotel courtesy blocks expire soon.

The American Society of Crime Lab Directors, along with RTI, have made the below webinars available.

[ASCLD Train the Directors Latent Prints Webinar - Archival](#)

[ASCLD Train the Directors DNA Discipline Webinar - Archival](#)

[ASCLD Train the Directors Controlled Substance Webinar - Archival](#)

[ASCLD Train the Directors Digital Multimedia Evidence Webinar - Archival](#)

[ASCLD Train the Directors Toxicology Webinar - Archival](#)

[ASCLD Train the Directors Firearms Webinar - Archival](#)

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