An Insider’s View into Forensic Odontology

Friday, Jan. 24, 2014
9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Creighton University
Mike and Josie Harper Center
Hixson Lied Auditorium
602 North 20th Street
Omaha, Neb.

Presenter
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DESIGNED FOR:
• All Dental Professionals

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Overview and Objectives

Course Overview: As forensic odontologists, dentists and other dental professionals play an important role in identifying human remains. This course begins with a short history of how dentitions identify human remains. It includes a why, when and how of forensic dental identification and the medico-legal basis for positive identification of the deceased through the comparison of anti and post mortem dentition. The role of the forensic dentists in mass fatality incidents will be discussed, including the process of recovery, identification and release of decedents to families for disposition according to religious, cultural and ethnic customs.

Course Objective: At the end of this course, all attendees should:
• Why, when and how dental identifications are made
• The medico-legal basis for dental identifications
• The importance of keeping accurate patient records
• The role of the forensic dentist in mass fatality incidents
• The “tools of the trade” of the modern forensic dentist
• The methods and role of the forensic dentist in bite mark analysis

Program Director: Donal D. Scheidel, D.D.S.
This lecture course is designated at 6.5 Continuing Education credits.

Kenneth P. Hermsen, D.D.S., M.S.

Kenneth P. Hermsen, D.D.S., M.S., is a forensic odontologist and professor at Creighton University School of Dentistry in Omaha, Nebraska. His interest in forensics and disaster response began in 1987 when the University asked him to represent Creighton at the American Dental Association’s first program on “Dentistry’s Role and Responsibility in Mass Disaster Identification”.

In 1990 he became a Forensic Dental Consultant to the Douglas County (Nebraska) Coroner’s Office assisting in dental identifications where he served until 2007. In 1991 he became a charter member of the Nebraska Forensic Dental Identification Team and since January, 2002 has served as the Nebraska State Team Leader. He also currently serves as Mass Fatality Advisor to the Sarpy County (Nebraska) Coroner’s Office.

Dr. Hermsen is a member of the Eastern Nebraska/Western Iowa Medical Reserve Corps, a Fellow of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences and currently serves on the Board of Directors of the American Society of Forensic Odontology.

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