



AMBER Alert

Training and Technical Assistance Opportunities

OVERVIEW

The AMBER Alert Training and Technical Assistance (T/TA) Program brings you a wide variety of training opportunities to improve the investigative response of local, regional, state, and tribal law enforcement to high risk victims, children in crisis and the commercial sexual exploitation of youth. Through this program, you will increase collaboration, improve skills, and develop effective policies and best practices to protect and safely recover missing, endangered, and abducted children.

CONTACT US

For more information or to view scheduled training dates and locations, visit www.ncjtc.fvtc.edu/AMBER. To schedule one of the training or technical assistance programs outlined here, contact (877) 71-AMBER, email askamber@fvtc.edu, or complete the Request Training form online at ncjtc.org.

Training Title	Training Hours	Law Enforcement	Public Safety (Gov't)	Legal Professionals	Social Workers	Probation & Parole	Tribal Leaders
1 Advanced Cold Case Long Term Missing Investigations	16	✓	✓	✓		✓	
2 Advanced Interviewing & Case Management for the High Risk Juveniles in Indian Country	16	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3 Advanced Investigative Strategies for Child Abduction Cases	32	✓	✓	✓		✓	
4 Basic Forensic Response to Missing and Abducted Children	22	✓		✓			
5 Call Taker Training for Tribal Communities	16	✓	✓	✓			
6 Canvassing, Search and Recovery Strategies for Abducted Children	20	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
7 Child Abduction Response Team Training (CART Certification)	NA						
8 Child Abduction Response Team Training (CART)	28	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9 Child Abduction Response Team Training for New Members	8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
10 Child Abduction Search Tactics - Field Training Course	16	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11 Child Abduction Tabletop Exercise	Varies	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
12 Child Abduction Training for Tribal Communities	16	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
13 Child Sex Trafficking in Indian Country	16	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
14 Child Sex Trafficking: Law Enforcement Response, Introductory Module	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
15 Child Sex Trafficking: Law Enforcement Response	24	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
16 Digital Evidence Investigations	24	✓	✓	✓		✓	

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17	Indian Country Child Abduction Response Team Training	16	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
18	Interrogation Techniques in Child Exploitation Cases	24	✓		✓		✓	
19	Investigative Strategies for Child Abduction Cases	32	✓		✓		✓	
20	Leadership for Missing and Abducted Children	8	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
21	Leadership for Missing & Abducted Children in Indian Country	16	✓					✓
22	Major Case Investigative Teams	20	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
23	Managing Child Sex Trafficking for System Managers/CEOs	16	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
24	Multi-Disciplinary Response to High-Risk Victims of Sex Trafficking	16	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
25	Patrol First Response for Missing and Abducted Children (PATMAC) 🌐	2	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
26	Prosecutor Strategies for Child Sex Trafficking and Exploitation Cases	16	✓		✓	✓	✓	
27	Recognition and Response to Child Sex Trafficking and Exploitation at Tribal Casinos	4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
28	Shielding Our Community for Endangered, Missing, & Abducted Children	8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
29	Tactics for Immediate Response and Rescue	8	✓	✓	✓		✓	
30	Telecommunications Best Practices for Missing and Abducted Children (TELMAC) 🌐	6	✓	✓			✓	
31	TELMAC - Train the Trainer 🌐	2	✓	✓			✓	

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TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

AMBER Alert training courses can be hosted onsite by local, regional, state, and tribal law enforcement training academies, agencies, or organizations. We encourage you to collaborate with your law enforcement, public safety and non-profit partners to identify your training needs and bring training to your community.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OPPORTUNITIES

If you need technical assistance, we will work with you to identify the assistance you need. We can help you identify a problem, address an existing problem, provide an objective evaluation of a problem, develop or introduce a new program, address a sensitive issue, or aid in examining the effects of a new statute, policy, or procedure. Simply complete the request form located on our website.

REGISTRATION FEES

You will pay NO FEES for scheduled training courses or technical assistance. The AMBER Alert T/TA Program will cover all direct costs of training (instructor expenses, training material and logistics support). Host agencies or organizations may assist in marketing and outreach, providing an appropriate venue, and onsite coordination responsibilities.

OFFERINGS

1) Advanced Cold Case Long Term Missing Investigations

Learn the dynamics of conducting long-term missing and cold case investigations. Uncover specific investigative techniques and best practices to improve the skills and capacities of law enforcement personnel assigned to long-term missing cases.

2) Advanced Interviewing & Case Management for the High Risk Juveniles in Indian Country

Examine victim, system and societal perceptions which may pose barriers to a full and complete disclosure of abuse and exploitation. Learn interview models and uncover the circumstances where these models are most effective. Practice and apply interview and corroboration techniques by working through an interactive case study.

3) Advanced Investigative Strategies for Child Abduction Cases

Understand DNA as an investigative resource. Explore legal issues and computer forensics concerns in child victimization cases. Uncover the impact of human trafficking in child exploitation and use of cold case strategies, data mining, and information acquisition.

4) Basic Forensic Response to Missing and Abducted Children

Enhance the forensic skills of law enforcement professionals responsible for crime scene investigations including missing and abducted children cases. Topics include: preplanning, chain of custody issues/evidence security, crime scene identification and preservation, crime mapping and photography, trace evidence, finger/palm prints, DNA/body fluids, composite sketching/forensic art and electronic evidence.

5) Call Taker Training for Tribal Communities

Learn about the role that call takers play in the successful resolution of endangered, missing or abducted children cases. Become more effective at initial call intake and information gathering. Acquire procedures for the use of NCIC, leads management programs and other tools. Explore legal and cultural issues impacting investigations in a tribal community.

6) Canvassing, Search and Recovery Strategies for Abducted Children

Gain critical skills needed to conduct effective canvassing investigations and operations. Learn effective search tactics and methods to recover abducted children.



7) Child Abduction Response Team Training (CART Certification)

Review policies and protocols to include the following standards: response criteria, team composition, notification protocol, communication, command and control, search operations, training, legal issues, equipment inventory, CART protocols, and recovery and reunification. Conduct a mock field abduction exercise to test the proficiency and capabilities of the CART program.

8) Child Abduction Response Team Training (CART)

Develop a multi-disciplinary approach for responding to a missing or abducted child incidents. Learn how relationships across disciplines and jurisdictions can greatly improve the team's ability to be successful in the recovery of a missing or abducted child.

9) Child Abduction Response Team Training for New Members

Understand the roles, functions and critical capacities provided by CARTs in missing and abducted child cases. Examine key components and action items for operational readiness of the CART in order to provide rapid, effective and comprehensive response. Gain perspective on the impact of CART programs and how to prepare new members for his/her role and responsibilities on the team.

10) Child Abduction Search Tactics - Field Training Course

Understand the mechanics of conducting various types of searches. Learn about strategies for determining search areas, assigning search responsibilities, search team make up, using volunteers, and search tactics including documenting search activities. Discuss tactical man tracking methods and K-9 techniques. Develop plans for an organized search team or emergency action plan to use when searching and tracking an abducted child.

11) Child Abduction Tabletop Exercise

Test the organization's response in conducting an initial investigation into searching for a missing or abducted child using the Incident Command System (ICS). Employ strategies and responses in mitigating and resolving the emergency. Participate in a multi-disciplinary, multi-jurisdictional tabletop exercise, developed by the Department of Homeland Security to build cohesiveness within the investigative team when responding to an emergency.

12) Child Abduction Training for Tribal Communities

Develop strategies for the response and investigation of endangered missing and abducted children in tribal communities giving consideration to jurisdiction, location, culture, and community dynamics. Discuss offender characteristics, evaluate investigative strategies, study search and canvass techniques, review legal considerations, examine case studies and engage in a practical scenario exercise.

13) Child Sex Trafficking in Indian Country

Understand, recognize, and investigate cases involving child sex trafficking and exploitation in Indian Country. Learn the dynamics of trafficking and exploitation to improve skills related to interviewing the victim and interrogating the trafficker. Focus on the survivor's perspective and changing perceptions regarding trafficking victims.

14) Child Sex Trafficking: Law Enforcement Response, Introductory Module

Obtain an overview of the onsite classroom training program, Child Sex Trafficking: Law Enforcement Response, the focus of the training and the scope of topics covered during the 3-day course.

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16) Digital Evidence Investigations

Improve capabilities to conduct digital evidence preservation, collection, and analysis. Understand the role this type of digital evidence plays in child abduction, exploitation, and child sex trafficking cases.

17) Indian Country Child Abduction Response Team Training

Enact a culturally significant multi-disciplinary team response to a missing or abducted child incident. Discuss team development and composition, study search and canvass techniques, review legal considerations, examine case studies, and engage in a practical scenario tabletop exercise.

18) Interrogation Techniques in Child Exploitation Cases

Learn advanced interview and interrogation techniques to be used in child exploitation cases. Discuss interview and interrogation strategies. Identify the cultural and legal issues investigators must consider during interview and interrogation. Understand the dynamics of the interview process and how to detect deception.

19) Investigative Strategies for Child Abduction Cases

Understand, recognize, and investigate cases involving missing and abducted children. Determine scope and scale issues and how to manage a missing or abducted child case. Explore crime scene evidence collection and processing, profiling suspects and legal issues, including search warrants and interrogation related to a missing or abducted child.

20) Leadership for Missing and Abducted Children

Explore the issues related to missing and abducted children. Learn the key components of an AMBER Alert policy, elements of a comprehensive child recovery plan, development of a memorandum of understanding with other agencies, and how to engage or disengage the media on child abduction cases.

21) Leadership for Missing & Abducted Children in Indian Country

Develop policies and programs that protect children from threats including abduction, exploitation, trafficking, and technology facilitated crime. Explore victimization of Native American and Alaska Native children. Learn best practices for child protection programs. Gain access to state, federal, and local resources and obtain knowledge of planning and program oversight.

22) Major Case Investigative Teams

Learn how major case investigative teams provide increased capabilities beyond any one individual agency. Examine the resource concentration, effectiveness, efficiency, secondary case clearance, networking and politics of major case investigative teams.

23) Managing Child Sex Trafficking for System Managers/CEOs

Uncover who these unique victims are and the impact they have on the system. Gather information and techniques on how to quantify CST locally, and within specific areas of responsibility. Discuss how to leverage current existing resources, and develop strategic community partnerships to utilize a cost effective victim-centered approach for victims of child sex trafficking.

24) Multi-Disciplinary Response to High-Risk Victims of Sex Trafficking

Construct a multi-disciplinary response to high risk victim cases. Quantify the problem of sex trafficking locally, define the high risk victim and the correlation and commonalities between the chronic runaway, repeat victims of sexual abuse, and the child victimized through sex trafficking. Learn effective victim interview techniques and a 5-point strategy to combat the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC).

25) Patrol First Response for Missing and Abducted Children (PATMAC)

Provide tools and training to patrol and first responding officers who promote swift and decisive responses in the early stages of missing and abducted children cases.

26) Prosecutor Strategies for Child Sex Trafficking and Exploitation Cases

Gather the tools necessary to successfully prosecute cases involving child sex trafficking and exploitation. Explore investigative and prosecutorial strategies designed to prove the case while protecting the victim from further harm. Learn how to effectively develop a case strategy and handle pre-trial issues, including working with expert witnesses, preserving testimony, and responding to unexpected issues.

27) Recognition and Response to Child Sex Trafficking and Exploitation at Tribal Casinos

Explore types of human trafficking and the importance of recognizing domestic trafficking of tribal children. Learn about the investigative challenges of trafficking cases, as well as the importance of the victim interview and placement.

28) Shielding Our Community for Endangered, Missing, & Abducted Children

Build collaboration between leaders, service providers and community matriarchs to form a cooperative “shield” that protects Native American and Alaska Native children. Learn skills to better protect children from exploitation, abduction and other forms of victimization. Develop community-based strategies for communication and coordination of efforts. Gain access to tools and resources to insure effective and sustainable programs.

29) Tactics for Immediate Response and Rescue

Learn the role first responders play in the successful recovery of an abducted child. Identify the steps needed to facilitate containment of the abduction area, preserve evidence, and detect witnesses. Acquire techniques for determining direction of travel, the use of attraction techniques, and steps needed to facilitate a successful recovery of an abducted child.

30) Telecommunications Best Practices for Missing and Abducted Children (TELMAC)

Learn telecommunications best practices for supporting swift and decisive responses in the critical, early stages of incidents involving missing and abducted children.

30) TELMAC - Train the Trainer

Equip law enforcement and public safety telecommunications center supervisors and training coordinators with additional training and resources in this follow-up to the Telecommunications Best Practices for Missing and Abducted Children online course.



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