

Northeast Texas Child Advocacy Center hosts



# MDT Training

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**  
**MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM MEMBERS**

**Thursday, September 12, 2019**

**8am - 5pm**

**@ Shannon Oaks Church**

1113 Shannon Rd E, Sulphur Springs, TX 75482

**TRAINING FEE: \$30 EACH**

**CEUs Available - General, Social Work, LPC,**

**TCOLE** (file thru your dept.), **and CLEs\*** (\*processing fee applied)

(certificates with CEU hours will be emailed, within the week after the training)

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Percent of **CHILD SEX CRIMES**  
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next  
**5**  
**YEARS**

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## **COURSES PRESENTED:**

**The Stories, The Stages, The Multidisciplinary Team:**

**An Introduction & Overview**

[Daniel Clark, Presenter]

**A Tale of Two Cases:**

**Using Grooming Evidence in Child Sex Abuse Prosecution**

[Daniel Clark & Tom Tueller, Presenters]

**The Seven Stages of Grooming,**

**the Forensic Interview & the Victim-Centered MDT**

[Tom Tueller & Tonya Newberry, Presenters]

**Incorporating the Offender's Grooming Techniques**

**into Your Criminal Investigation and Prosecution**

[Tonya Newberry & Danny Clark, Presenters]

**Prosecution Best Practices:**

**Ethical Considerations with Grooming Evidence**

[Danny Clark, Presenter]



## **SCHEDULE:**

- 8:30 a.m. - The Stories, The Stages, And The Multidisciplinary Team: An Introduction & Overview**  
[Danny Clark, Presenter]
- 9:45 a.m. - A Tale of Two Cases: Using Grooming Evidence in Child Sex Abuse Prosecution**  
[Danny Clark & Tom Tueller, Presenters]
- 10:30 a.m. - BREAK**
- 10:45 a.m. - The Seven Stages of Grooming, the Forensic Interview and Victim-Centered MDTs**  
[Tom Tueller & Tonya Newberry, Presenters]
- 12:00 p.m. - NETWORKING LUNCH PROVIDED**
- 12:45 p.m. - Incorporating the Offender's Grooming Techniques into Your Criminal Investigation and Prosecution**  
[Tonya Newberry & Danny Clark, Presenters]
- 2:15 p.m. - Prosecution Best Practices: Ethical Considerations with Grooming Evidence**  
[Danny Clark, Presenter]
- 3:15 p.m. - BREAK**
- 3:30 p.m. - MDT Panel—Case Studies, MDT Effectiveness Principles & Practices & Q&A**  
[Clark, Newberry, Tueller]
- 4:15 p.m. - MDT Effectiveness Action Plans**  
[Attendees]  
Trainee's MDT Action Plans Presented to Group  
MDT Assessment Plans
- 5:00 p.m. - ADJOURN**

## **TO REGISTER:**

***Go to [www.netcac.org](http://www.netcac.org) or email [volunteer@netcac.org](mailto:volunteer@netcac.org) for registration link  
Questions or trouble call 903-629-7588***

## **PRESENTER BIOS:**

**Daniel Clark** is the Bonneville County Prosecuting Attorney in Idaho Falls, Idaho. He currently litigates criminal cases; advises county elected officials in civil matters; manages the Prosecutor's Office with 11 attorneys and 10 support staff. Danny serves on the Board of Directors for the Building Hope Today foundation to combat child sexual abuse. He has presented locally and nationally on child sexual abuse, drug courts and other areas in the field of prosecution. He received his bachelor's degree in political science from Utah State University and graduated from the University of Idaho College of Law on the Dean's List and as a member of the Idaho Law Review. He has published articles on hate crime legislation and Idaho's search and seizure law.

**Tonya Newberry** is a Detective with the Boise, ID Police Department. Having served in this role for 18 years, Tonya has served as an investigator in both Juvenile and Special Victims units focused on child abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault. She has also served as a Legal Assistant for the Ada County Prosecutor's Office and the Idaho Supreme Court. Her county work focused on violent crimes and child abuse. She holds a bachelors in criminal justice administration from Boise State University.

**Thomas Tueller** is the Owner/Clinical Director of Tueller Counseling Services. As a clinical counselor for over 25 years, he has worked mostly with victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. While he has spent much of his career working to rehabilitate those who have abused children and those who have battered their intimate partners, he has also spent as much time counseling victims of violent and sexual crimes. He has testified in numerous trials, both civil and criminal regarding domestic abuse and the effects of grooming on sexual abuse and child molestation victims. Tom's testimony has dramatically impacted the outcome of these cases because he is able to help the prosecution inform the jury of the abuser's ideology as well as the victim's.

## **Course Descriptions & Objectives:**

### **1. The Stories, The Stages, The Multidisciplinary Team: An Introduction & Overview**

[Daniel Clark, Presenter]

**Course Description:** This Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) training is designed to help varying disciplines involved in child abuse investigations to partner, share knowledge and expertise to optimize case specific outcomes in criminal justice and child protection systems. The MDT model enhances the coordinated community response to child abuse.

**Key Learning Objectives:** Recognizing the value of the MDT response by respecting the contribution and knowledge of each discipline will help achieve the most optimal outcomes and accountability in these complex cases.

### **2. A Tale of Two Cases: Using Grooming Evidence in Child Sex Abuse Prosecution**

[Daniel Clark & Tom Tueller, Presenters]

**Course Description:** Participants will learn how a civil lawsuit for fraud became the corroborative catalyst in a successful child sexual abuse criminal prosecution. This presentation will discuss how a criminal defendant's conviction was overturned on appeal; the search for corroborative evidence was necessary using another civil case's grooming theory to corroborate the victim's disclosure in a criminal prosecution.

**Key Learning Objectives:** Participants will learn practical tools to help both prosecutors and law enforcement find corroborative evidence when none appears to exist. Participants will learn about the grooming techniques used by offenders with victims and learn about the delayed disclosure process

### **3. The Seven Stages of Grooming, the Forensic Interview & the Victim-Centered MDT**

[Tom Tueller & Tonya Newberry, Presenters]

**Course Description:** This training will provide participants an understanding of the 7 Stages of Grooming; clarify misconceptions, and how to gather evidence during investigations and preparation for legal testimony. Participants will understand the role of grooming behaviors, pinpointing critical warning signs that can go unrecognized, but that lead to successful prosecutions.

**Key Learning Objective:** Recognize and understand the 7 Stages of Grooming to be able to identify how perpetrators target and abuse their victims. Recognize forensic interview can provide developmentally appropriate evidence-based and legally sound method of talking to children to obtain information in the child's own words regarding their abuse. Prosecutors and Investigators reviewing forensic interview content for the presence of the 7 Stages of Grooming Understand the importance of collaborating with victim advocacy and support services during the investigative process, the prosecution and beyond conviction.

### **4. Incorporating the Offender's Grooming Techniques into Your Criminal Investigation and Prosecution**

[Tonya Newberry & Danny Clark, Presenters]

**Course Description:** Participants will be provided examples of evidence that corroborate grooming techniques used by offenders to sexually abuse a child. The attendee will learn how to identify and incorporate grooming evidence in their criminal investigation. The participant will also examine how the grooming evidence may be effectively used in prosecution of the offender.

**Key Learning Objective:** How to incorporate grooming evidence into the criminal investigation.

How to incorporate grooming evidence into the prosecution (pre-trial preparation and trial presentation, use of expert witness, etc.)

### **5. Prosecution Best Practices: Ethical Considerations with Grooming Evidence**

[Danny Clark, Presenter]

**Course Description:** The training is designed to identify best practices for prosecutors presenting delayed disclosure in child abuse cases using grooming evidence as corroboration. The training will review evidentiary considerations including pre-trial motions and expert testimony along with ethical considerations unique to these cases.

**Key Learning Objective:** Participants will understand the value of grooming evidence in criminal prosecutions to include "soft" evidence, ethical considerations, and key evidentiary arguments