NEVADA ACADEMY of GENERAL DENTISTRY

Introduction to Forensic Odontology

Speaker: Dr. Grace Chung   **Date:** October 11, 2023 from 6-7:30 pm PST
Educational Method: Lecture   **Subject:** 145   **Credits:** 1.5   **Location:** Virtual
Audience: General Dentists, Specialists, Hygienists, Dental Students, Residents
 Fees: NV AGD Members: $20 Non-Member: $30   Student AGD Member: $0   Non-Member Student: $5

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Course Description: Attendees will learn about the basics of forensic medicine as it applies to the judicial system, and how forensic odontology plays a role within the forensic science community. Attendees will be introduced to the three major components of forensic dentistry: human identification, age assessment, and bitemark evaluation/human abuse. Each of these topics will be explored through discussion and case study examples.
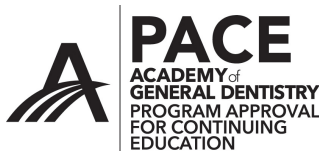
Learning Objectives:

- Understand the forensic science disciplines and how it is organized at the national and local level.
- Understand the role of forensic odontology in various legal, law enforcement
- Learn proper protocols of dental charting for missing / unidentified personnel
- Utilize scientific age assessment procedures for individuals and be knowledgeable on various resources available for age estimation cases
- Understand the standards of bitemark evidence evaluation and how it can be utilized in a court of law
- Learn about the various forensic science organizations and how to get more involved as a potential adjunctive career path

Instructor Qualifications: Dr. Chung graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY in 2004 with a BS in Geospatial Informations Science and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Army. As a Medical Service Corps Officer, she served 6 years in Germany and Iraq and left active duty service as a Captain. Dr. Chung earned her DDS from the University of Maryland and completed a clerkship in Forensic Odontology in her last years of dental school under the mentorship of Dr. Warren Tewes, D-ABFO at the Maryland OCME. There, she was introduced to and later became a forensic odontologist for the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUS) and began serving on the NCIC dental review panel for the FBI since 2015. Dr. Chung is currently serving as the Chief Forensic Odontologist with the Clark County Office of the Coroner/Medical Examiner in Las Vegas, NV and routinely consults with the Las Vegas Metro Police Department. She actively participates in numerous human identification cases and organizes training events for local dentists as a larger mass casualty exercise involving the city's various organizations. She is a frequent speaker / trainer for both the forensic science and dental communities both nationally and internationally regarding forensic odontolgoy.

Requirements: Access to a computer that can play sound, is required for participation the Nevada AGD live webinar. No special computer knowledge or equipment is required to participate; however, the webinar utilizes the Zoom platform. Specific instructions will be disseminated upon registration to assist with course access.

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations by the participant 7 days prior to the course will result in refund of 50% of the tuition cost. Cancellations by the participant within 7 days of the course or no shows will be charged the entire regular tuition price. If NV AGD cancels the program, the participant will be reimbursed the full tuition amount.