



California State Coroners' Association

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Senior Consultant Brad NewMyer & Senior Consultant R.C. Smith
California Department of Justice
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Dear Consultants NewMyer and Smith,

Please accept this letter as the official position of the California State Coroners' Association (CSCA) with reference to increasing the minimum training requirements for Deputy Coroners, or those performing like service under differing titles (e.g. Medical Investigators, Deputy Medical Examiner Investigators, Coroner Investigators, etc.). The CSCA Executive Board is interested in increasing the minimum training requirements for Deputy Coroners above the 80 hour Basic Death Investigation Course and PC832. As a long term goal we would entertain increasing the amount of hours incrementally over years. However, we would be comfortable with an immediate increase of 80 hours. Ideally, the increase would be more advanced investigator training such as the Robert Presley Institute of Criminal Investigation (ICI) Core Course which is 80 hours.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this letter or this issue.

Sincerely,

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