

Regional Toxicology Liaison – Annual Report, October 2023

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During 2022, the Regional Toxicology Liaisons (RTL) focused on establishing connections with the toxicology laboratories and other highway safety partners. The laboratories provided valuable feedback which directed the work of the RTLs in 2023. The most significant request from the laboratories has been for continuing education and training, specifically when it comes to testimony training. While there are several established testimony curricula from various highway safety partners, none focus on the toxicologist and the specifics required for their testimony. In February of 2023, the RTLs met during the annual meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS). The testimony training curriculum was developed as were topics for the quarterly regional meetings. The laboratories strongly advocated in-person training, and in response, the testimony training was offered with limited hybrid options. Responsibility.org provided funding for travel and venue expenses so the RTLs could provide the training in person.

The presenters in the testimony training included the Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) State Coordinator or designee, a Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor (TSRP) or designee, and an individual from the judiciary such as a Judicial Outreach Liaison (JOL). The RTLs included information about the AAFS Standards Board ([ASB](#)), encouraging laboratories to implement the documents that this group has created. General tips for courtroom testimony and actual case histories with testimony examples encompassed the remaining training portions. Feedback from the attendees of the trainings has been collected and used to modify and improve the training curriculum. The table below displays the metrics from the trainings:

2023 RTL Testimony Training

Training Date	Training Location	# of Attendees	# of Labs Present	States in Attendance
June 16, 2023	Akeny, IA	13 toxicologists, 2 DREs	2	Iowa and Nebraska
June 28, 2023	Columbus, OH	34 toxicologists	11	Ohio
July 19-20, 2023	Los Angeles, CA	75 toxicologists	24	California, Arizona, Nevada, Canada
July 27, 2023	Jefferson City, MO	26 toxicologists	4	Missouri, Illinois
September 7, 2023	Topeka, KS	16 toxicologists	4	Kansas
September 18, 2023	Little Rock, AR	9 toxicologists	2	Arkansas
September 26, 2023	Waukegan, IL	17 toxicologists	4	Illinois, Wisconsin
November, 15, 2023	Madison, WI	Future training		
TBD	Northern, California (venue TBD)	Future training		

In addition to testimony training, the RTLs provided quarterly meetings for the regions. The first quarter topic was regarding stop testing using a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) as the limiter. The Center for Forensic Science Research and Education (CFSRE) collects blood samples for which laboratories have applied a stop-testing policy. The presentation by Mandi Mohr (CFSRE) provided information to the laboratories about the impact of limiting drug testing and the resulting underreporting of drug-impaired driving. As a result of the webinar, several laboratories in the regions have been providing blood samples to CFSRE to perform drug testing. All samples are de-identified, and none of the information can be used for adjudication. Mandi will be releasing the findings of the testing in 2024.

For the second quarter, the RTLs collaborated with the ASB and OSAC groups to provide information on standards and their implementation. The background of standards creation was discussed, and a detailed look at the implementation toolkit was used by a laboratory that has put the ASB documents into practice. Feedback from the webinar indicates that many labs are interested in implementing the ASB documents. However, several expressed barriers to doing so. In response, the RTLs will focus on ASB implementation in 2024.

Finally, in the third quarter, the webinar topic focused on funding tools that laboratories might use for personnel and equipment. The funding opportunities from NHTSA were discussed, along with encouragement to reach out to each laboratory's State Highway Safety Office (SHSO) for further exploration of options. Non-traditional funding streams were also covered which included soliciting private investors and vendors for assistance. The RTL Project Manager has received a few inquiries requesting contact information for specific SHSOs and other feedback from this webinar has been positive.

In addition to the testimony trainings and webinars, the RTLs have been included in several highway safety conferences, summits, and meetings (see Appendix for complete listing). There have been many requests from laboratories seeking testing methods and other advice from the RTLs. The network the RTLs have created both within each region and amongst all of the regions has proven to be helpful when looking to provide resources back to the laboratories. The RTLs will work with the SOFT Office to create a central location on the SOFT website so that ideas and other collaborations can occur in real-time. The RTLs are members of the SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee. Through this group, the RTLs have assisted with a survey that SOFT released as a follow-up to their 2021 survey. The survey results will be presented during the SOFT annual meeting in late October, and a summary of the survey will be provided to those laboratories that participated. Early analysis of the survey shows there is still a need for a more congruous funding stream for laboratories to provide consistent, cohesive testing in the laboratories across the country.

Project challenges:

The requests for assistance from non-represented regions continue to occur. The RTLs and the Project Manager (PM) work to provide guidance to the extent they are able. In most instances, the PM will provide consultation and resources. The testimony training was much needed and well received. However, the PM traveled to some locations to fill in when needed. The testimony training will not end in 2023, and to sustain updates for future training, funding will be needed to support the effort. Expansion of the RTL program is necessary, and the funding to support the expansion is critical.

While each laboratory's needs are the same, there continue to be nuances to the needs that create barriers. It is evident through the work of the RTLs that there needs to be a more consistent,

sustainable funding model for forensic toxicology laboratories nationwide. In some states, revenues generated from the taxation of cannabis have proved to be a promising model. Not all states have the exact mechanism or lack cannabis decriminalization to funnel the needed finances to the laboratories. The RTLs will continue to advocate for the laboratories through the SHSOs and other highway safety partners.

Oral Fluid continues to come up in discussions, however, very few forensic laboratories are capable and ready to test confirmatory specimens. Over the past two years of this program, the RTLs have addressed questions and concerns about implementing a confirmatory oral fluid program for laboratories. Unfortunately, laboratories are not equipped to handle the current caseload, and the feedback has been the immediate need to focus efforts on sustainable funding.

As always, the Buy America Act continues to hamper efforts to procure much needed testing instrumentation using highway safety funding. The DUID Toolkit and related funding provided by NHTSA was very useful, but further funding and unique ways to circumvent the BAA are required.

Future goals:

Standardization is the primary goal for the RTLs in 2024. To begin to compare data within and between states, the laboratories need to be achieving the same testing standards. The RTLs will gather feedback from the laboratories in each region as to whether or not they have implemented any ASB documents. Webinars targeting each of the standards and the process for implementation will be provided throughout 2024 in collaboration with the SOFT Continuing Education Committee.

In addition to standards implementation, the RTLs will coordinate webinars focusing on method development and validation. The RTLs will be reaching out to SOFT Applied Analytical Committee for collaborations. Each training will include vendor-specific information for each instrument platform as software varies between manufacturers. Part of the implementation of standards is to develop the appropriate testing scope and methods. This goal aligns with the standards implementation work that will also occur.

Testimony training will continue on an ongoing basis. Some laboratories have asked for additional training and others have not been able to schedule the training due to various time constraints. The RTLs will ensure that all laboratories that would like testimony training have received it by the end of 2024. Those laboratories that would like supplemental training will be virtual and as requested.

Data harmonization continues to be a need. However, standardization must occur first. Throughout 2024, the RTLs will look to highway safety partners to understand the gaps in data and assist where necessary to build resources.

See Appendix for full list of activities and financial report

Appendix

RTL Activities Q4, 2022

R5 Q4 Activities:

Recurring meetings:

ASB Comment Adjudication 173 (Standard for Education and Training of Forensic Toxicology Personnel) meeting and ASB Consensus Body meeting (monthly)

ASB/OSAC Leadership Monthly Meetings

National Safety Council, Alcohol, Drugs, and Impairment Division (ADID)

- Cannabis Section meeting

- Executive Board meeting

- Model DUI Laws Ad Hoc Committee

- NSC-ADID Leadership Meeting

- Biannual ADID meeting (Cleveland, Nov 2022)

- NSC Webinar Meetings

R5 Quarterly Impaired Driving Working Group meeting

Illinois Impaired Driving Conference Pre Meetings

Illinois Highways Safety Planning Committee Meetings

Minnesota Office of Traffic Safety meeting Bi-weekly

Minnesota DWI Taskforce Meeting

Minnesota DFW Taskforce Cannabis and Legislation Subcommittee Meetings

Michigan-Cannabinoid Method Validation Assistance (Several Meetings)

Wisconsin Toxicology Summit Premeetings

Massachusetts FOSB and Subcommittee meetings

Indiana Impaired Driving Conference Preparation Meetings

AFDO/FOCUS-Federal Regulatory Framework Cannabis Bi-Weekly Meetings

Current Trends in Forensic Toxicology Symposium Preparation Meetings

SOFT/AAFS Oral Fluid Committee-Survey Update

Single events:

RTL Oral Fluid Summit (virtual) – Planned and moderated

Northeastern Association of Forensic Sciences (NEAFS) Annual Meeting, Niagara Falls (presenter-RTL Program)

Wisconsin Toxicology Summit, Madison, WI

Wisconsin Impaired Driving Workgroup

Midwest Impaired Driving Conference – assisted in planning/organizing, moderated and presented

Midwest Toxicology Collaborative-Round Table

SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee Laboratory and Academia Internship to Partnerships Webinar (virtual) – Planned and moderated

Collaboration meeting with University of Iowa, National Advanced Driving Simulator

Testimony Training, Indianapolis, IN – one day training event for Indiana state toxicology lab

Massachusetts FSOB Symposium-Presentation on Recommendations on Professional Negligence and Misconduct (in Forensic Science)
National Advanced Driving Simulator Automotive Toxicology Meeting (Iowa)

R7 Q4 Activities:

Recurring:

LEL/IACP Information Sharing meeting
R7 Monthly State conference call
Missouri Impaired Driving Subcommittee meeting
National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Model DUI Law meeting

Single event:

Oral Fluid Summit (virtual) – moderated
TIRF Annual DWI Working Group meeting, Savannah, GA
Arkansas Opioid Summit – presenter
National Judicial College Fall Judges Conference – presenter
State of Nebraska laboratory visit
IACP DRE TAP 2022 Annual Meeting
Met with FARS analyst – State of Kansas
State of Kansas Annual DUI Conference - presenter
SOFT RTL Update, Cleveland, OH – presenter
Collaboration meeting with University of Iowa, National Advanced Driving Simulator
Iowa Impaired Driving Task Force meeting
California Association of Toxicologists (CAT) fall meeting – presenter
Testimony Training, Indianapolis, IN – one day training event for Indiana state toxicology lab

R9 Q4 Activities:

Recurring meetings:

California Impaired Driving Task Force meetings
California Highway Patrol, NHTSA, Office of Traffic Safety meetings
UC Davis Surveillance Project meetings

Single events:

Oral Fluid Summit (virtual)
SOFT RTL Update, Cleveland, OH – presenter (Oct)
Testimony Training, Indianapolis, IN – one-day training event for Indiana state toxicology lab (Dec)
Kern County laboratory site visit. (Dec)
California Association of Toxicologists fall meeting (Dec)
LEL/IACP Sharing Meeting (Oct)
In-Person Hawaii Lab plan visit in Honolulu, HI (Oct)
Meeting with Tara (NHTSA) and R9 on the DUID study (Dec)
OTS, CHP, and NHTSA meeting regarding updates on lab gap analysis (CA)
NSC-ADID Model DUID Law Meeting (Dec)

RTL Activities 2023:

R5 Q1 Activities:

Recurring:

RTL weekly meetings – Wednesday each week.

Minnesota DWI Taskforce–Monthly

Minnesota Office of Traffic Safety Staff Meeting – Monthly

Illinois Impaired Driving Task Force Meeting – Monthly

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Model DUI Law meeting - No set time or date.

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Cannabis in Safety Sensitive Positions – Meet every two weeks

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Cannabis Section – Monthly

Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body and Leadership Meetings – Monthly

Forensic Science Oversight Board Meeting (MA) – Monthly

Past Single event:

SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee Meeting – January 31, 2023

Michigan Prosecuting Attorney’s Association Webinar – Standards in Forensic Toxicology Related to Impaired Driving Investigations – February 8, 2023

National Safety Council Alcohol Drugs Impairment Division Meeting and Executive Board Meeting – February 2 and 12, 2023

American Academy of Forensic Sciences Meeting – February 13-17, 2023

RTL Yearly Planning Meeting – February 15-16, 2023

SOFT-AAFS Oral Fluid Committee Meeting: “RTL Update”– February 16, 2023

Minnesota DWI Taskforce-MN Society for Criminal Justice Meeting – February 28, 2023

Midwest Toxicology Collaborative-Round Table – March 1, 2023

NHTSA Collaboration with ASB Toxicology Consensus Body Meeting – March 2, 2023

London Toxicology Group Presentation “Standardization, Impaired Driving, and the US Regional Toxicology Liaison Demonstration Project” – March 3, 2023

Michigan Prosecuting Attorney’s Association Webinar – Cannabinoids in Impaired Driving – March 15, 2023

R5 RTL and JOL/SJOLs Update– March 21, 2023

R5 RTL Quarterly Meeting – March 29, 2023

Illinois Impaired Driving Task Force Meeting Presentation “Forensic Toxicology Standards Related to Impaired Driving Investigations, Drug Trends, and Model DUID Legislation Efforts” – March 31, 2023

R7 Q1 Activities:

Recurring:

RTL weekly meetings – Wednesday each week.

R7 Monthly State conference call – Last Tuesday each month

Missouri Impaired Driving Subcommittee meeting – No set time or date. Last one was Feb 10, 2023

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Model DUI Law meeting - No set time or date.

Additional NSC ADID Activities – Executive Board – Secretary, member of Administrative Committee.

Society of Forensic Toxicologists – monthly Board of Directors Meetings

Additional SOFT Activities include – Chair of Membership Committee, Chair of Policies and Procedures Committee, Member of the Finance Committee, Member of the Toxicology Resource Committee, Associate Editor of ToxTalk

OSAC Toxicology Subcommittee Monthly meetings

AAFS Academy Standards Board – Working on committee updating document ASB 017 Measurement Traceability, Working on committee publishing document ASB 122 Alcohol Calculations.

Past Single event:

Presented to the Missouri Office Prosecution Services Webinar Series – Drug Impaired Driving: Cannabis - January 10, 2023, Narcotic Analgesics – February 21, 2023, Inhalants – March 20, 2023

Planning meeting for Kansas Drug-Impaired Driving Toxicology Meeting – February 22, 2023

American Academy of Forensic Sciences Meeting – February 13-17, 2023

National Safety Council Alcohol Drugs Impairment Division Meeting – February 12, 2023

Laboratory Accreditation Assessment for ANAB – February 2023

RTL Region 7 Quarterly Meeting (virtual) – March 28, 2023

R9 Q1 Activities:

Recurring:

Weekly RTL Meetings

Monthly Meetings with NHTSA R9

Various emails with lab staff within R9

Various email communication with the RTL Group

Document preparations for RTL Group

CA Impaired Driving Task Force – upcoming in April. These are intermittent.

January

Questionnaire for CA Laboratories regarding Oral Fluid testing

Reviewed IACP IDTS Conference- Toxicology Submissions for Aug Conference

Met with Luke Rodda from SFME to discuss possible grant for Oral Fluid Pilot Project

SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee Meeting

February

Preparation for annual All-Regions (5,7,9) Meeting

AAFS Travel

Prepared report for SOFT Oral Fluid Committee Meeting – CA Lab Questionnaire

Met with OTS and NHTSA regarding LE Oral Fluid Questionnaire

Met with Hawaii DOH and Traffic Safety to discuss lab accreditation for Hawaii Tox Lab

Meeting with Chris Murphy R9 regarding Toxicology Stakeholders Meetings

Eliminating Impaired Driving Webinar – Abbott and Chuck DeWeese

March

Met with Jennifer Davidson regarding Toxicology Stakeholder Meetings (Toxcell)

Emails to connect Lab with Green Lab training.

Scheduled some 2023 lab visits in CA to discuss the RTL testimony training program and follow-up.
SOFT Resource Directory Meeting
DUID Model Language Task Group Meeting
Drug Testing Advisory Committee Meeting
R5, 7, and 9 Quarterly Meetings
Quarterly Meeting preparation
Updated contacts for the Toxicology Resource Committee Survey

R5 Q2 Activities:

Recurring:

RTL weekly meetings – Wednesday each week.
Minnesota DWI Taskforce–Monthly
Minnesota Office of Traffic Safety Staff Meeting – Monthly
Illinois Impaired Driving Task Force Meeting – Monthly
National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Model DUI Law meeting - No set time or date.
National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Cannabis in Safety Sensitive Positions – Meet every two weeks
National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Cannabis Section – Monthly
Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body and Leadership Meetings – Monthly
Forensic Science Oversight Board Meeting (MA) – Monthly

Past Single event:

Maryland Highway Safety Summit Presentation “Challenges in Prosecuting Cannabis Impaired Driving”– Baltimore, MD – April 12, 2023
RTL Program Update to State DRE Coordinators – Noblesville, Indiana April 16, 2023
RTL Program Update at Indiana Impaired Driving Conference – Noblesville, Indiana April 17-19, 2023
Midwest Association for Toxicology and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring Presentation “Standardization, Impaired Driving, and the US Regional Toxicology Liaison Demonstration Project” – South Lewis Center, Ohio April 20-21, 2023
Region 5 All Region Meeting – Indianapolis, Indiana April 25-26, 2023
Montgomery County–Oral Fluid Samples Coordination. May 3, 2023
Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center Annual Conference Coordination. May 3, 2023
Current Trends in Forensic Toxicology Annual Virtual Conference, Co-Chair. May 8-12, 2023
Michigan State Police–Testimony Challenges. May 15, 2023
Presentation to Region 5 State Judicial Outreach Liaisons and Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutors. May 15, 2023
Iowa Testimony Training – Virtual, June 16, 2023
Ohio Narcotics Intelligence Center Law Enforcement Drug Summit Presentations "Why can't you say that?" ANSI/ASB 037 Guidelines for Opinions and Testimony in Forensic Toxicology and "Testimony Tips and Tricks" and “Multiple Perspectives: The Drug Epidemic”, Columbus, Ohio June 21, 2023
RTL All Region Meeting– Virtual, Jun 22, 2023
Franklin Co Forensic Science Center (Ohio) Testimony Training, Columbus, Ohio June 28, 2023
Planning and Coordination meeting for continued Testimony Training Curriculum – ongoing with RTL Meetings

R7 Q2 Activities:

Recurring:

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Missouri Impaired Driving Subcommittee meeting – No set time or date. Last one was Feb 10, 2023

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OSAC Toxicology Subcommittee Monthly meetings

Additional OSAC work includes participation on the Alcohol Standard Methods subcommittee

AAFS Academy Standards Board – Working on committee updating document ASB 017 Measurement Traceability, Working on committee publishing document ASB 122 Alcohol Calculations.

Midwest Toxicology Collaborative – Round Table – monthly meetings

Past Single event:

Presenter Southwest Association of Toxicologists Annual Meeting – Shreveport, LA – April 12-14, 2023 (update on RTL and Update on ASB 122 Alcohol Calculations)

Region 7 All Region Meeting – Rogers Arkansas April 17-19

Presented to the Missouri Office Prosecution Services Webinar Series – Drug Impaired Driving:

Stimulants – May 26, 2023, Hallucinogens – June 22, 2023,

OSAC in-person meeting – Indianapolis, May 15-19, 2023

AIIPA Conference – presented on RTL program and drug trends, May 22-24, 2023, Charleston, SC.

Iowa Governors Highway Traffic Safety Conference – Des Moines, Iowa, June 14-15, 2023

Testimony Training at the DCI Crime Lab – Des Moines Iowa, June 16, 2023

NASID Member meeting (virtual) – June 20, 2023

RTL Region 7 All Region Meeting (virtual) – June 22, 2023

R9 Q2 Activities:

April

Weekly RTL Meetings

17th - Santa Clara Lab visit to discuss testimony training and method and update possible gaps/needs.

18th - SFME Lab visit to discuss testimony training, Oral Fluid project grant, and update possible gaps/needs.

24th - Ventura Crime Lab Online meeting to discuss testimony training, identify gaps/needs, and method development training.

25th - CAIDTF Meeting

26th – NSC-ADID DUID Model Language meeting – draft review discussion

Scheduling other onsite lab meetings

R5 Testimony Training prep (June)

Planning for the annual RTL meeting

Emails - Addressing questions regarding the funding of public labs from the legalization of cannabis tax funds. Other states are inquiring as they legalize the use of cannabis.

Emails - Addressing ongoing concerns regarding delta-8 and laboratory capabilities to identify and report.

Emails - connecting laboratories to training at Green Labs

Review draft regarding language for DUID model and meeting to discuss.

May

Weekly RTL Meetings

4th – Meet with SCCL regarding Testimony Training – Part 2

5th – Met with Sgt Gary Martens to discuss the LE aspect of testimony training.

8th – Met with the Defense Attorney speaker to discuss testimony training.

R9 Testimony Training prep for So Cal Labs, Nor Cal Labs, and SFME office (in CA) – tentatively scheduled for July/Aug/Nov.

Initiated training program - a method of development/validation training for R9 Labs.

Annual All-Region Planning Meeting.

R5 and R7 Testimony Training Preps

Document edits for Testimony Training Exam

Document edits for SOFT Presentation Proposal on SOFT TRC Survey

Meeting with Dave Doucette regarding Research study with Mandi Moore and CSFRE.

Assisted LA coroner crime lab on a grant proposal for LC-Q-ToF

Assisted Kern County with method development discussion.

June

Weekly RTL Meetings

13th - Drug Testing Advisory Board Meeting – Open and Closed Meetings

15th – Meeting with LAPD Crime Lab regarding SoCal Testimony Training

15th – Meeting with Franklin County, Ohio IT department to test online platform for Testimony training (June 28th).

16th – Iowa Testimony Training

16th – Franklin County testimony test part 2

22nd – Annual RTL Meeting

22nd – Reviewed and edited DUID Laws Position Statement

23rd – NSC ADID DUID Laws Position Statement Meeting

Meeting with presenters for SoCal training – date not yet determined but will be a week of June 26th.

28th – Franklin County, Ohio Testimony Training

R5 Q3 Activities:

Recurring:

RTL weekly meetings – Wednesday each week.

Minnesota DWI Taskforce–Monthly

Minnesota Office of Traffic Safety Staff Meeting – Monthly

Illinois Impaired Driving Task Force Meeting – Monthly

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Model DUI Law meeting - No set time or date.

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Cannabis in Safety Sensitive Positions – Meet every two weeks

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Cannabis Section – Monthly

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division –Position Statement on Adoption of Consensus-Based Standards and Laboratory Accreditation- No set time or date.

Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body and Leadership Meetings – Monthly
Organizational Scientific Area Committees (OSAC)/Academy Standards Board Leadership Meetings – Monthly

Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body Working Group Technical Report Terms and Definitions- No set time or date.

Forensic Science Oversight Board Meeting (MA) – Monthly

RecoveryOhio Drug Trends Meeting - Monthly

Past Single event:

SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee Open Meeting – Virtual, July 11, 2023

Webinar Wednesdays (TSRP): Cannabinoids in Impaired Driving – July 12, 2023

Southern California Lab Testimony Training – Virtual, July 19-20, 2023

Missouri Testimony Training – Virtual, July 27, 2023

RTL in-person meeting – Chicago, IL, August 16, 2023

Wisconsin Impaired Driving Working Group – Virtual, August 28, 2023

Midwest Toxicology collaborative – Virtual, September 5, 2023

Kansas Testimony Training – Topeka, KS, September 7, 2023

Arkansas Testimony Training – Virtual, September 18, 2023

NHTSA Region 5 Judicial Outreach Liaisons (JOL)/State JOLs/Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor Meeting– Virtual, September 18, 2023

Illinois Testimony Training – Waukegan, IL, September 26, 2023

ToxCel Toxicology Summit for Washington DC lab – Virtual, September 27, 2023

SOFT Semi-Annual Committee Activity Update (Toxicology Resource Committee)– Virtual, September 27, 2023

OSAC/RTL Collaboration Meeting – Virtual, September 29, 2023

Regions 5, 7, and 9 RTL Quarterly Meeting – Virtual, September 29, 2023

Upcoming Activities:

Northern California Testimony Training – TBD

National Judicial College 2023 Indiana City & Town Judges Conference– Indianapolis, IN October 12-13, 2023

New England Forensic Drug Chemists Annual Meeting- Concord, NH October 24, 2023

Society of Forensic Toxicologists annual meeting – Denver, CO, October 29-November 3, 2023

Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists Annual Meeting – Mystic, CT, November 8-10, 2023

Wisconsin Testimony Training – Madison, WI, November 15, 2023

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Missouri Office Prosecution Services Webinar Series – Drug Impaired Driving: Dissociative Anesthetics, July 20, 2023.

Testimony Training Southern California Regions – July 19-20, 2023

Missouri Testimony Training- July 28, 2023

Presenter, Alcohol Testing Alliance, Nacogdoches, TX, July 31, 2023

Society of Forensic Toxicologists Executive Committee Meeting, Chicago IL, August 14-16, 2023

National Safety Council Division Leader Meeting – August 21, 2023 (virtual)

Kansas Testimony Training – September 7, 2023

Presenter, Arkansas Judicial Conference – September 13-15, 2023 (presenting with R7 JOL)

Arkansas Testimony Training – September 18, 2023

RTL Region 7 Quarterly Meeting – September 29, 2023

Upcoming Activities:

Presenter Southwester Association of Forensic Scientists – Houston, Texas, October 2, 2023

2023 Annual DWI Workgroup Meeting (TIRF) – Minneapolis, MN, October 23-25, 2023

National Safety Council Alcohol, Drugs, and Impairment Division Annual Meeting – Denver, CO, October 29, 2023

Society of Forensic Toxicologists Annual Meeting – Denver, CO, October 30-Nov 3, 2023

Wisconsin Testimony Training – November 15, 2023

Missouri Impaired Driving Subcommittee Meeting – November 17, 2023

R9 Q3 Activities:

July

3 – SoCal Testimony Training Planning meeting with LAPD
11 – TRC Meeting
19-20 – Southern California Testimony Training, Los Angeles, CA
27 – Missouri Testimony Training – In person
7, 17, 25, and 31 - Four ADID-DUID Meetings for Document Edits - Language

August

4, 11, and 30th – NSC-ADID Meetings for Document Edits – Language
7 - Meeting with Dr. Huestis to discuss cannabis breath testing research
17- Meeting with Dave Doucette regarding CA OTS funding for Cannabis breath study
17 – Meeting with Dr. Kleinman with UCI for possible partnership on Cannabis study with Dr. Huestis
16-17 – RTL In-Person Meeting, Chicago, IL
23 – NorCal Testimony Training Planning Meeting

September

7 – Kansas Testimony Training, Virtual
8 - Meeting with Clarissa Shaffer with NLSOT for tox presentation for the annual meeting.
18 – Arkansas Testimony Training, Virtual
26 – Illinois Testimony Training, Virtual
29 – OSAC/RTL Collaboration Meeting
29 – RTL All Region Quarterly Meeting, Virtual

Upcoming Activities:

National Safety Council Alcohol, Drugs, and Impairment Division Annual Meeting – Denver, CO, October 29, 2023
Society of Forensic Toxicologists Annual Meeting – Denver, CO, October 30-Nov 3, 2023
Wisconsin Testimony Training – November 15, 2023
Fall California Association of Toxicologists meeting – Ontario, CA, December 4-5, 2023