

FREE Training

Eligible for 24 Hours TCOLE Credit



The Texas Drug Recognition Expert Program Presents:

Medical Foundations of Visual Systems Testing

May 15 to 17, 2024, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Southlake DPS North Training Center 100 E. Dove Road Southlake, TX

Dr. Karl Citek's in-depth 24-hour course, Medical Foundations of Visual Systems Testing at no cost to Texas peace officers. This course is offered for a fee by IPTM in Florida, but thanks to a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation, we are bringing it to Texas for FREE.

Many courts will not qualify a DRE as an expert unless he or she has received training from a medical professional. This course will provide the medical and scientific foundations of the various components of the DRE protocol, including the eye tests, vital signs and psychophysical and divided attention tasks. Common medical conditions, rule-outs and alternative explanations for observed signs will be discussed. The course will include numerous videos, classroom demonstrations and an alcohol workshop.

This program is intended for officers who are Certified Drug Recognition Experts (DREs), SFST instructors, and experienced SFST practitioners. Topics include:

Anatomy and physiology of the eye and the central nervous system Effects of drugs on the body, the eyes and perception Effects of medical and environmental conditions Legal aspects of testing at the traffic stop and the DRE evaluation

Development and control of eye responses Use and abuse of drugs Testing of eye signs Trial preparation

Due to high demand, the limited number of seats available, and to encourage wider participation, we are limiting participation to a maximum of 4 officers from any one agency.



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