

New York State Association of County Coroners and Medical Examiners

CORONER 101

Friday, March 21, 2025

Ft William Henry, Lake George, New York

7:00 am – 8:00 am	Registration and Breakfast
8:00 am	Welcome – Robert F. Waltman, D-ABMDI Livingston County Coroner, President of NYSACCME
8:00 am – 9:00 am	“Legal Duties as Coroners: Where Does Authority Come From?” Dr. Dianne Vertes, MD, Ph.D
9:00 am – 10:00 am	“Best Practices for Working with Funeral Directors” Scott Schmidt, D-ABMDI, Immediate Past President NYSACCME/Rob Waltman
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Break
10:15 am - 11:15 am	“Assisting Law Enforcement/Letting Them Assist You” Sgt. Scott Hoag, Rome Police Department
11:15 am – 12:15 pm	“Obligations Regarding Organ and Tissue Donation: Working with Organ Procurement Agencies” Kayla Giancarlo, Director of Clinical Analytics & Referral Services, ConnectLife Mary Pfeiffer, Sr Director of Eye & Tissue Services, ConnectLife
12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	Lunch
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	“Every Scene, Every Time” Brian Ehret, F-ABMDI, Chief Forensic Investigator, Onondaga County Office of the Medical Examiner
2:15 pm – 3:15 pm	“Assisting Families Through the Process” Brian Ehret, F-ABMDI, Chief Forensic Investigator, Onondaga County Office of the Medical Examiner
3:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Break
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm	“Determination of Cause/Manner of Death: Death Certificate Nomenclature” Nadia Granger MD Pathology Fellow Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner
4:30 pm – 5:30 pm	Dealing with the Media Robert Zerby, D-ABMDI, Chief Medical Investigator Monroe County

NYSACCME Credits: 8.00 hrs

NYSDOH Approved Funeral Director Credits: to be determined

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