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TO: Federal Bureau of Investigations, Tribal Leaders, and the
Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Justice Services

FROM: Monty Wilkinson, Director
Executive Office for United States Attorneys

BY: Cameron G. Chandler, Associate Director
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SUBJECT: **Investigation and Prosecution of Child Fatalities, Neglect, and Abuse
Seminar**
Columbia, South Carolina
April 25-29, 2016

ATTENTION: Training Officers, SACs, and SSRAs

DUE DATE: **Nominations are due by February 26, 2016**

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The Department of Justice's National Indian Country Training Initiative is pleased to announce that it is sponsoring the Investigation and Prosecution of Child Fatalities, Neglect, and Abuse Seminar. The seminar will be held April 25-29, 2016, at the National Advocacy Center in Columbia, South Carolina. Travel and lodging accommodations will be provided by the Office of Legal Education.

This seminar is for federal and tribal prosecutors, investigators, medical and mental health providers, social workers, and child protective services workers who investigate and prosecute Indian Country fatalities, neglect, and abuse cases involving children. This training is also applicable to individuals who investigate and prosecute child fatalities, neglect, and abuse cases on military bases and other federal enclaves. This course will offer participants knowledge and skills necessary to investigate and prosecute complex cases involving children through presentations by national experts in medicine, forensic investigation, and prosecution. The following topics will be addressed: federal jurisdiction and mandatory reporting statutes; causes of abuse-related injuries and death; medical evidence in severe abuse and neglect; interview and interrogation; scene investigation; effective prosecution strategies; countering defense strategies; and evidence collection and documentation.

Training Officers/SACs/SSRAs are invited to nominate individuals from their Division or Department who would benefit from this training opportunity. Please copy and complete the attached form for each of your nominees and E-Mail them to the attention of Delores McCarter, Office of Legal Education at delores.mccarter@usdoj.gov. **Nominations are due by February 26, 2016.** The Office of Legal Education will review all nominations and will send an E-Mail advising nominees of their selection on or about **March 7, 2016**. Selected nominees will also receive travel and lodging information.

In order to ensure that our records are correct, please type in the required information when completing the nomination forms. Illegible and/or incomplete forms will not be considered.

Due to the increasing number of last minute cancellations we must ask that only nominations for those who are certain to attend be submitted.

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys will provide reasonable accommodations to people with disabilities. Requests should be made to Delores McCarter as early as possible, preferably at least two weeks in advance of the seminar. No nominee will be excluded from a course on the basis of a disability-related accommodations request.

This training is authorized under the Government Employees Training Act.

Any questions regarding this training seminar should be directed to Delores McCarter at (803) 705-5123.

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PLEASE TYPE AND SUBMIT THIS NOMINATION FORM BY FEBRUARY 26, 2016, VIA
E-MAIL TO: Delores McCarter at delores.mccarter@usdoj.gov

*Order of Preference:

_____ of _____

Please type your information below:

Name of Nominee (Last, First, MI):	
Nominee's Job Title:	
Name of Tribe and/or Agency:	
Office Mailing Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
Office Telephone Number:	
Secondary Telephone Number:	
Email Address:	
Supervisor's Name and Number:	

*If multiple applicants are from the same agency, please have the Training Officer or Supervisor rank applicants in order of preference.

This is an advanced level course. Because of the subject matter to be covered, participants will be discussing and viewing graphic photographs related to child abuse, child neglect, and child homicide. All individuals registering for this course should consider their personal ability to handle the course topics and related materials.

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1. Is nominee an AUSA/prosecutor, agent/police officer/investigator, or child welfare worker?
 - AUSA/Prosecutor
 - Agent/Police Officer/Investigator
 - Child Welfare Worker
 - None of the above

2. How long has nominee been an AUSA/prosecutor, agent/police officer/investigator, or child welfare worker?
 - Less than a year
 - 1-3 years
 - 3.5 years - 5 years
 - 5 years or more

3. The nominee currently has responsibility for conducting investigations or prosecutions of children who may have been murdered, physically abused, sexually abused or a victim of severe neglect.
 - True
 - False

4. What percentage of time is the nominee assigned to investigations or prosecutions involving child homicide, child physical and/or sexual abuse, or severe neglect in Indian country?
 - 10% or less
 - 10-50%
 - 50-75%
 - 75-99%
 - 100%