Strangulation: Response, Investigation, & Prosecution

Virtual Training
May 11 and 12, 2026
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (daily)

Non–fatal strangulation has been identified as a key indicator for risk of lethality in domestic violence cases. This advanced course offers an in-depth and multidisciplinary approach to these types of assaults. This course is designed for law enforcement, prosecution professionals, and forensic medical professionals.

The following individuals are eligible to apply*:

CDVSA funded victim service providers, Alaskan forensic medical providers, Department of Law prosecutors and paralegals, DPS Navigators, APSC Certified Municipal Officers, Alaska State Troopers, and VPSOs.

***If you are a tribal advocate funded under OVW, please contact Martha Bravo (Martha.Bravo@aknwrc.org) at the Alaska Native Women's Resource Center (AKNWRC) to arrange for training on this topic.**

The core objectives of this advanced two day course:

- **Identify key factors in the lethality of strangulation;**
- **Describe the anatomy, physiology, and signs and symptoms of strangulation in surviving and non-surviving cases;**
- **Improve documentation of strangulation cases in the context of intimate partner violence, sexual assault, and child abuse;**
- **Discuss best-practices in trauma-informed advocacy, interviewing, prosecution, and/or patient/case management and;**
- **Develop local experts to use in trial.**

To apply go to:
May 2026 Virtual Strangulation Training Application
The application period will be open until: May 1, 2026

AaNA and Alaska Police Standards Council (APSC) credits are offered with full participation. AaNA is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by Montana Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

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