# SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT IN-SERVICE TRAINING MENU PROGRAM

#### **CLASS DESCRIPTION AND STRATEGY**

10440 BLACK MOUNTAIN ROAD SAN DIEGO, CA 92126

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**Course Goal**: This course is intended to teach students about how to investigate drug DUIs in San Diego County. Students will learn what is required for such investigations from a prosecutor's perspective. They will also receive training concerning the SFST battery tests and how to prepare for DUI drug cases that are prosecuted and tried in court.

**Module total time:** 4 hours

# Resources required for this module:

- Computer with PowerPoint Presentation
- Projection Screen
- Laptop Clicker
- Flip Chart
- Markers

	Course content	Instructor Notes
I	Introductions A. Instructor and Student Introductions (5 min) 1. Student Expectations a. Learning topics b. Learning activities	Instructor introduces to class, listing experience and qualifications to present this topic. Instructor covers basic expectations of students.
II.	DUI Drug Investigations  A. Initial Contact  1. Discuss if they have an actual warrant 2. Possibility of drugs in a car  B. Chemical Tests 1. 23612 CVC "Implied Consent" 2. Blood vs. Urine  C. BWC or Dash Cam 1. Record everything 2. What do jurors want to see? 3. Who gets access to the BWC?  Officer's Knowledge  A. Impairment Vocabulary 1. Explain physical and mental factors	The instructor will stress the importance of conducting Standardized Field Sobriety Tests when someone is suspected of possibly being under the influence  Talk about proper language on a body camera in hopes to not damage potential prosecution

- B. How to help yourself
  - 1. Know SFSTs
  - 2. Speak to a DRE or narcotics expert
  - 3. Talk to the prosecutor
- C. Dealing with Defenses
  - 1. Divided attention tests
  - 2. NHSTA certification discrepancies

## IV Marijuana DUIs

- A. Defense challenges
- B. Calcrim 2110
  - 1. Definition of someone under the influence
- C. Police reports/collisions
- D. Expert testimony
- E. Toxicology report
  - 1. What do the numbers mean?
- F. Research studies
- G. Spice DUI

### V Statistics

- A. Top prescribed medications
- B. Fatal motor vehicle collisions with drugged drivers
- C. Trends
  - 1. Drug involved collisions
  - 2. Drug testing of drivers
  - 3. Drug positive drivers
- D. Most common DUID drugs
- E. Most commonly prescribed drugs in DUID cases

### VI Standardized Field Sobriety Tests

- A. Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus
- B. One Leg Stand Test
- C. Walk and Turn Test
- D. Finger to Nose Test

#### VII Under the Influence Evaluation

- A. Romberg
- B. Pulse Rate
- C. Lack of Convergence
- D. Vertical Gaze Nystagmus
- E. Seven Drug Categories
- F. Drug Recognition Experts

### VIII Report Writing

- A. Proper format for reports
- B. Warrant procedures

The instructor will explain how an officer's knowledge can be related to professionalism in front of a jury

Discuss factors relevant for DUI drug cases involving marijuana. Explain what it means to be under the influence for jurors. Also discuss the importance of having an expert involved with the investigation at some point.

The instructor will discuss the trends and numbers involving drugged drivers

The instructor will use videos and practical application for students to learn how to perform the evaluations

The instructor will provide an overview of an under the influence evaluation along with how it relates to the DUI.

The instructor will explain the procedures to obtain a warrant for a blood sample.