

ACMT to Present New Seminar in Forensic Toxicology

The American College of Medical Toxicology will present Consultation in the Civil & Criminal Arenas as the newest course in its Seminars in Forensic Toxicology series. This course will be offered on November 12-13, 2013 in Baltimore, Maryland.

Phoenix, Arizona ([PRWEB](#)) October 03, 2013 -- The American College of Medical Toxicology (ACMT) will offer a course entitled [Consultation in the Civil & Criminal Arenas](#) on November 12-13, 2013 in Baltimore, Maryland. This course is the newest of the ACMT educational series 'Seminars in Forensic [Toxicology](#)' and will take place at the Hilton Baltimore. The course will be of value and interest to medical and forensic professionals who provide consultation to attorneys and others needing expert advice. The aim of this seminar is to improve the quality and focus of the medical and forensic opinions offered, with a focus on the role of medications and toxins in both civil and criminal cases to assure that all parties receive the best expert advice. The course will also benefit providers who are planning to expand their career to include medical legal consultation services, and is not limited to pharmacologists and [toxicologists](#).

The course will enhance understanding of several topics and concepts important to the professional consultant in a legal context. The various opinions requested in cases of drug and alcohol impairment, medical malpractice, product liability, and other toxic torts will be reviewed. Specific topics will include the scientific rationale for impairment thresholds, and the interpretation and extrapolation of drug and alcohol concentrations. The concepts of causation and impairment will be highlighted as common and consequential issues in the forensic arena. The course will detail the different expectations of expert witnesses in the criminal versus civil context. Practical considerations such as optimizing case selection, improving report writing, and deposition and trial testimony will also be covered. The course format will utilize lectures as well as case-based small group and panel discussions to illustrate key concepts.

Consultation in the Civil and Criminal Arena is the fourth 'Seminars in Forensic Toxicology' course developed by ACMT.

ACMT is a professional, nonprofit association of physicians with recognized expertise in medical toxicology. The College is dedicated to advancing the science and practice of medical toxicology through a variety of activities.