Louisiana State Coroner’s Association
Agenda
October 19, 2019
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
0800-1200 hours

I. Welcome
William “Beau” Clark, MD, EBR Parish Coroner and LSCA President
- Introductions of members present
- LSCA will host a Coroner 101 class for new coroners post election

II. Financial Report
Treva Parolli-Barnes, LCSW, EBRPCO Chief of Operations, LSCA Secretary/Treasurer
- Financial Report Given – Details provided upon request

III. Legislative Update
- Sexual Assault Jurisdiction Discussion
  - Funding potential – CVR Reimbursement, Grants
  - Regional Protocols
  - 3 Different SA models – Hospital based, Coroner based, Hybrid
- Mental Health Jurisdiction Discussion
  - Explanation of expansion of who has the authority to execute CEC’s and PEC’s
  - Proposal to provide education to those who may execute an emergency certificate with videos – ex. present to nursing board, medical board
  - Define “immediately” more precisely in the law possibly
  - What agency is the regulatory agency for failure to report?
  - Difficult to regulate statewide MH protocols due to varied parish processes
• Death Jurisdiction Discussion
  o Correct the term “burial’ to reflect “disposition” in 5715
  o Notification of death fine in 5712
  o Place form letter on LSCA website for “Failure to Report”
  o Add to 5716 the verbiage, “until the completion of the Coroner’s investigation” which is supported by Attorney General Opinion requested previously by Dr. Coe
  o Verify that all pathologists involved in autopsies for a coroner’s office are immune from civil liability by making them a deputy coroner

IV. OPH Grant
  • Review of the parameters and due date of submission of OPH Opioid grant request from coroners

V. LRS 9:111 Definition of Death

VI. Compassion Fatigue
Joy Fragola, Professional Outreach Director, Southern Eye Bank

VII. New Business

  • Dr. Keith Landry, Assumption Parish Coroner, created a survey and requested that each office complete it so that he can create a centralized database for coroner’s office salaries, etc.

VIII. Election of New Officers

  • Unanimous to keep current officers

IX. Lunch Served