# Dodge Technical Seminar The LINQ Las Vegas, NV November 14 & 15, 2024

Join us in fabulous Las Vegas!

Learn something new or enhance what you already know about...

- Autopsied Cases
- Implantable Devices and What You May Not Know
- Infectious Diseases
- Challenging Cases
- Advanced Embalming Techniques
- Embalming the Bariatric Case ...and much more



Registration fis now ONLINE!

Details inside

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Breakfast will be available each morning when

TIME	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Breakfast / Registration	Breakfast / Registration
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Capitalizing On The Autopsied Body While Battling Tissue Gas and Other Complications Autumn Cooper	Advanced Embalming Techniques and Why They are So Important in Today's World Jack Adams, CFSP, MBIE
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Break	Break
10:15 AM - 11:15 AM	<i>Implantable Devices and Therapies: What</i> <i>You May Not Know - Part 1</i> Jeffrey P. Bellefleur, M.D.	<i>Implantable Devices and Therapies; What</i> <i>You May Not Know - Part 2</i> Jeffrey P. Bellefleur, M.D.
11:15 AM - 11:30 AM	Break	Break
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	What, Where, Why, How: Infectious Disease Risks in Funeral Service Kim Collison	<i>Embalming A Bariatric Decedent with</i> <i>Complicating Edema</i> Lincoln Plain
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch	Seminar Ends - Thank you for coming!
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	<i>Challenging Cases</i> <i>Overcoming The Obstacles</i> Nathan Shaw	THE
2:30 PM - 2:45 PM	Break	
2:45 PM - 3:45 PM	In Stitches - Changing the Conversation of Embalming Autopsied Remains - Part 1 Tom Sherman	THEINO COM
3:45 PM - 4:00 PM	Break	
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	In Stitches - Changing the Conversation of Embalming Autopsied Remains - Part 2 Tom Sherman	

**CEUs:** Continuing education credits for licensed funeral directors will be available, pending individual state/ province approvals. If you have a question as to whether your state board has accredited our program, please email seminars@dodgeco.com. Due to high-fee filing requirements, we no longer apply for credits from Virginia or Kentucky. We'll be applying for a total of 9 credits - 6 for Thursday & 3 for Friday. The Seminar has been accredited by the Academy of Professional Funeral Service Practice for 9 CEUs.



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JACK ADAMS, CFSP, MBIE has over 50 years of funeral experience. Jack served as a Dodge Sales Representative in Illinois from 1989 until 2018 when he retired, and he still remains active as a part-time Embalming Lab Instructor at Worsham College of Mortuary Science.

Advanced Embalming Techniques and Why They Are So Important In Today's World - No embalmer has encountered every possible challenging case, but Jack Adams probably comes close. We all know the fundamental reasons why a body is embalmed ... temporary preservation, disinfection, allowing time for family to gather, and most importantly, to give friends and family a more pleasant final picture of their loved one. When you treat every case like it was your loved one and you do the best you can—the results are good and you feel good about yourself. Increasing your skills and taking that time can make your best—better! During the course of his presentation, Jack also will help attendees recognize potential problems, and discuss what to do to stop them before they cause failure.



JEFFREY P. BELLEFLEUR, M.D. has been a medical professional for 30+ years and earned his M.D. from Wayne State University School of Medicine. He has been an attending physician at William Beaumont Hospital since 2000. Dr. Bellefleur became friends with Sharon Gee-Mascarello in 2013 after meeting her in Johannesburg, Africa. Dr. Bellefleur was selected by Gee-Mascarello to serve as an editorial consultant to *Embalming: History, Theory, and Practice, Sixth Edition*. Dr. Jeff is an advocate for enhancing a better relationship between medicine and funeral service in the hope of providing excellent care for patients at the end of their lives.

*Implantable Devices and Therapies: What You May Not Know - Part I & II -* During postmortem care, some of these implantable therapies, such as radioactive pharmaceuticals and battery-operated devices can pose a risk to funeral home and crematory personnel. In addition to widely recognized devices such as pacemakers and defibrillators, dozens of other less well-known devices are implanted to treat medical conditions. This presentation highlights various types of implantable therapies to increase awareness and to provide participants with a framework of information that may be adopted in the workplace. Methods for the safe explantation, disposal, and/or return of devices and a review of Radiation Safety Officer recommendations for safe handling and final disposition of treated decedents is shared. An informed understanding of implantable therapies may positively impact relations with client-families by increasing confidence in the funeral professional. In consideration of whether the funeral home as a public facility has a responsibility to be proactive in the safety and welfare of its guests, a discussion of Automated External Defibrillators (AED's), Narcan, and Basic CPR Training is included.

The information provided in this presentation does not, and is not intended to, constitute legal advice; instead, all information, content, and materials presented are for general informational purposes only.



KIM COLLISON, MSA, M.T.(ASCP) holds a BS in Biology and Clinical Laboratory Science and a Master of Science in Health Service Administration. Over the past 40+ years, Kim has held laboratory leadership positions at Spectrum Health (now Corewell Health) in Grand Rapids and Trident Laboratories in Holland, Michigan. She is the President of Michigan State University Health Care Labs, a full service clinical laboratory specializing in pharmacogenomics, molecular diagnostics and toxicology. She is a consultant for Natera, Inc. a pioneer and global leader in cell-free DNA testing.

*What, Where, Why, How: Infectious Disease Risks in Funeral Service* - This presentation will address the current and emerging infectious diseases that can and will find their way into the prep room. Measles, Tuberculosis, Bird Flu, drug-resistant bacteria, Bordetella pertussis, and many others are becoming more prevalent in our communities which means they are entering your prep rooms. What should you be aware of, where are these organisms found, why should you be concerned and how can you protect yourself?





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AUTUMN COOPER has a Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Sciences from Central Michigan University and a bachelor's degree in Mortuary Science from Wayne State University. She is a licensed funeral director and embalmer in both Michigan and Rhode Island. She has been a Dodge Sales Representative in Connecticut and Southwestern Massachusetts since 2020, as well as parttime Dodge Chemist since 2021. Recently, Autumn has taken on the role of Instructional Assistant for the Thanatochemistry course at Wayne State University, College of Mortuary Science.

*Capitalizing on the Autopsied Body While Battling Tissue Gas and Other Complications* - In this presentation, we will walk you through the steps of how to embalm an autopsied body with tissue gas, skin slip, and other challenging obstacles. Autumn will show you how she took advantage of the situation by utilizing advanced techniques when handling tissue gas and the need for restorative art. Through this procedure, Autumn employs all of her skills to present the decedent in a way to allow the family to have closure and peace.



LINCOLN PLAIN earned his bachelor's degree in Mortuary Science from University of Minnesota in 1994. He also holds a Bachelor of Science in Business and Marketing from the University of Wisconsin. Lincoln is a licensed funeral director and embalmer with over 30 years of experience. He is a member of the North Dakota Funeral Directors Association, the Minnesota Funeral Directors Association as well as a member of the Arrowhead Funeral Directors Association in Minnesota. Lincoln has been a Dodge Sales Representitive since 2018.

*Embalming a Bariatric Decedent with Complicating Edema* - This program will cover techniques and embalming chemicals used to embalm a bariatric female with skin slip and edema. The session will concentrate on techniques that can be used to reduce swelling caused by excessive edema during and after the embalming process and products used to stabilize skin slip, as well as airbrushing and cosmetic applications to create a natural appearance for the viewing.



NATHAN SHAW earned his bachelor's degree in Mortuary Science from Wayne State University. He has been a licensed funeral director and embalmer since 2007. He is currently the Dodge Sales Representative in Eastern Michigan and "The Thumb".

*Challenging Cases... Overcoming The Obstacles* - This will be an interactive discussion on a case Nathan recently embalmed, focusing on the challenges of edema and obesity while showing all the steps taken to reach the final result. Nathan will also share with us some of the many techniques and skills he acquired while working at one of Detroit's busiest funeral homes for over 17 years. Participants should walk away from this program with a better understanding of the methods utilized to successfully handle a 'challenging case' and be able to use them to enhance their own personal set of skills.



TOM SHERMAN has 25 years experience working in the funeral industry. He has been a licensed funeral director and embalmer since 2005 and earned a diploma in Mortuary Science from the Commonwealth Institute of Funeral Service Houston in 2003. Tom has been the Dodge Sales Representative for the Central and West Texas area since 2013.

*In Stitches - Changing the Conversation of Embalming Autopsied Remains -* While embalming the autopsy case often brings dread to the minds of embalmers, with some simple processes and consistency, the autopsy case can become one of the most rewarding parts of our job. We will go over autopsy preparation from stepping up to the prep table, all the way to the final dressed and cosmetized result. Showing a variety of techniques throughout the process, we will find the methods that different embalmers can make their own.





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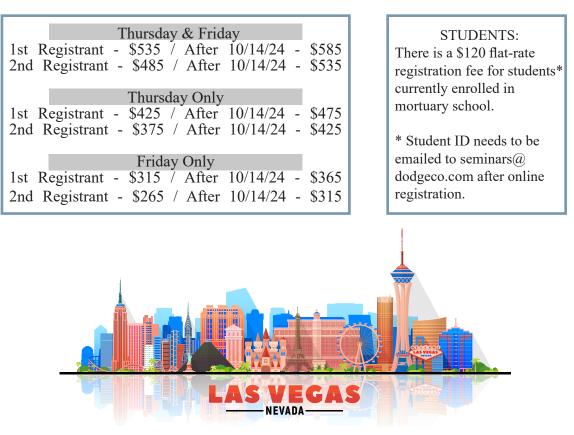
EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: October 14, 2024

#### **Introducing Online Registration!**

This year the Dodge Seminar registration is completely online. Whether you are paying by credit card or mailing a check the registration process is the same. You will still receive a confirmation as well as a receipt when paying by credit card. If you pay by check, you will still register online and will be sent an invoice for you to include when you mail your payment. This will not only streamline the registration process but will provide a secure way to process credit card transactions.

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You will still have the options to register multiple attendees from the same firm for discounted pricing at one time. If registering separately from the same firm, the discounts will not apply. Students are still eligible for a discounted rate. Please see the pricing below or online when you register.



#### **Registration Cancellation Policy:**

On or before 11/1: 100% registration fee refunded. After 11/1: \$100 cancellation fee will apply. Cancellation must be made in writing via mail, fax or e-mail to any of the addresses listed below.





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#### **HOTEL RESERVATION & RATE INFORMATION**

PLEASE NOTE: All attendees are responsible for making their own hotel reservations. The LINQ, Las Vegas 3535 Las Vegas Boulevard South Las Vegas, NV 89109 800-634-6441 - https://www.caesars.com/linq The LINQ Las Vegas Hotel + Experience is in the heart of The Strip. Enjoy stylish rooms and a futuristic casino, as well as The LINQ Promenade's 550-foot-tall High Roller Observation Wheel, retail shops and every dining option imaginable.

"Run of the House" Room Rates

Tuesday, November 12th - Saturday, November 16th = \$99.00 / night Check-in: 4:00pm / Check-out: 11:00am

Additional persons will be charged at a rate of \$30.00 per person, per night, with a maximum of four (4) persons per guestroom.

Resort Fees: A daily resort fee of \$30.00 per room, per night (plus tax) will be charged in addition to the room rates listed above. This fee includes:

- Unlimited local phone calls (no long distance or international calls)
- Two (2) guest admissions per day to the Fitness Center (does not include use of the spa)
- In-Room Internet access to include two (2) devices per room, per day

Rates & fees are for single/double occupancy and do not include applicable taxes & fees.

Reservations can be made by calling the hotel directly at (888) 373-9855, referencing our Group Code: "SQTDC4" -Dodge Technical Seminar or by booking online at https://book.passkey.com/go/SQTDC4

The cut-off date to make hotel reservations at the group rate is Monday - October 14, 2024.

Please Note: All reservations made via the telephone call center will be assessed a fee of \$15.00 per reservation. This fee will not apply to reservations made via the internet.

All reservations must be guaranteed with a deposit for the first night's guestroom and tax charge. If reservation is guaranteed to a credit card, the first night's guestroom and tax charge, per guestroom, will be billed immediately to the cardholder's account.

Notice of cancellation must be received 72 hours prior to your arrival date in order to receive a full refund of your deposit.

Each guestroom must have at least one (1) registered guest 21 years of age or older.



