Summary –

Basic discussion of all things firearm- and ammunition-related. This session is designed to assist individuals with low familiarity with firearms and ammunition topics. But, can serve as a review or update for individuals with experience. We’ll discuss basic nomenclature/terminology and introduce different methods of firearm function and action types. Best practices for documentation of firearms at crime scenes, including safe unloading practices, and packaging methods, as well as the different areas of forensic laboratory processes will also be discussed.

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