

## **Odontology Section – 2003**

## F3 Forms of Identification

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After attending this presentation, the participant will be familiar with various forensic odontologic forms that can be used in an individual or multiple victim identification, with or without fragmentation.

This presentation will review the forms of the Pennsylvania Dental identification Team (PADIT). These forms have been utilized in mass disasters (44 victims and 133 victims), multiple victims (11 and 19 victims), and for individual fatalities. The set of forms include the following: Records Acquisition Form, Antemortem Record, Search and Recovery Form, Postmortem Record, Comparison Record, and Logs (Antemortem/Postmortem). The Antemortem and Postmortem Record Forms can record the characteristics of each tooth in three different ways: by odontogram, by WinID descriptor, and by a narrative. While no form is foolproof, these dynamic forms have proved to be easy to understand and to complete, even by relatively inexperienced forensic odontologists. The forms are reviewed and updated annually and after each use in mass/multiple victim activation.

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