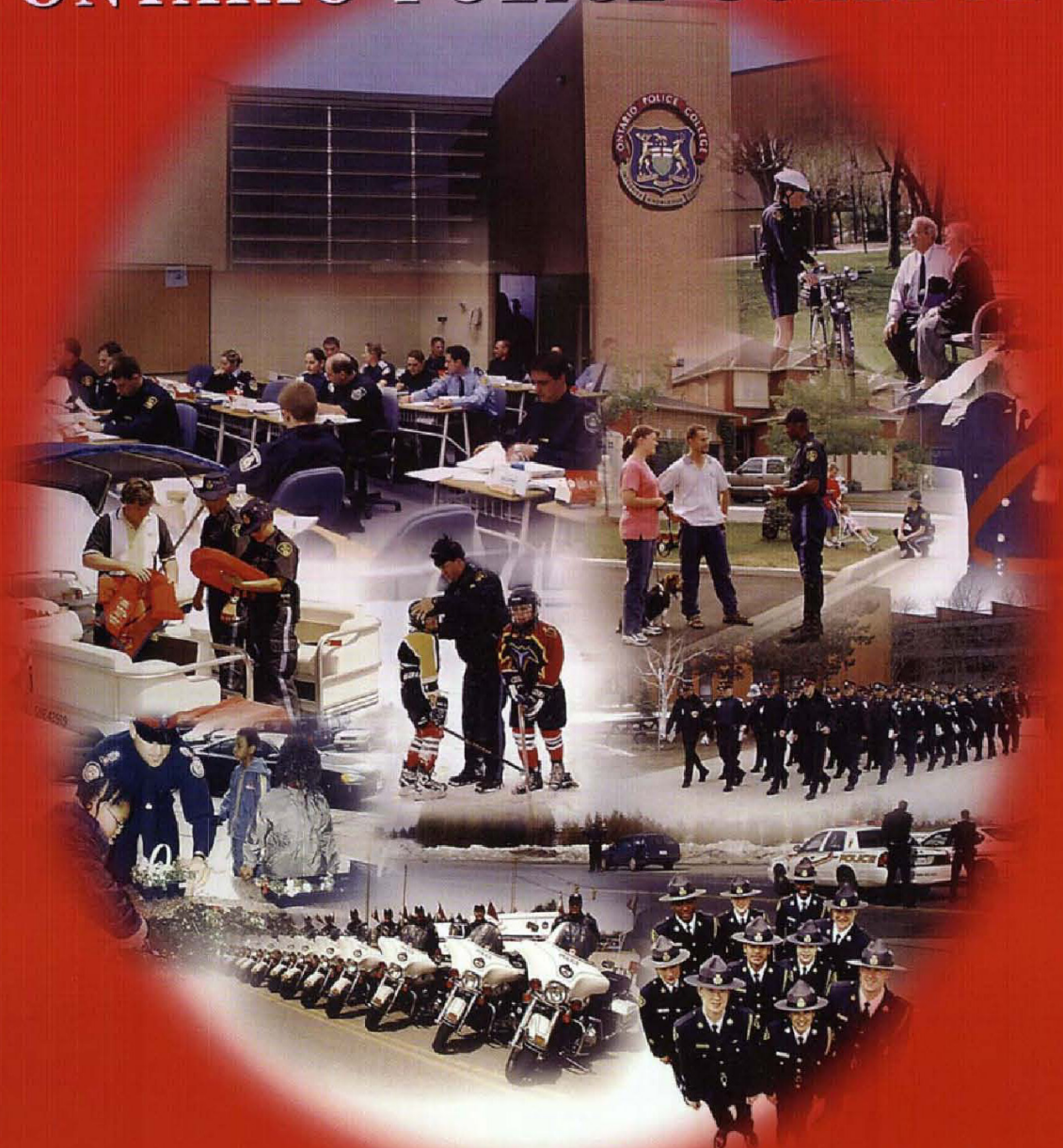




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General Investigation Training

- Length 10 days
- Composition of Class:
 - 24 police officers
 - Course Description:
 - *This Course is designed to prepare police officers to conduct general criminal investigations and is a prerequisite to most other investigative courses.*
 - *Mandatory under the Adequacy Regulation.*

2006 Course Offering

- Two courses at OPC
- Remaining courses delivered off-site.



General Investigation Training

- Core Topics:
 - Theory of criminal investigation
 - Case Management
 - Evidence (review) and Notebooks
 - Canvassing
 - Crime scene security and Management
 - Death Investigation
 - Eyewitness memory and Photo line-ups



General Investigation Training

- Core Topics:
 - Handling of Physical Evidence
 - Interviewing Techniques
 - Media Relations
 - Operation Planning
 - Search and Seizure
 - Victim Issues [Third party records]
 - Major Case Management



General Investigation Training

- Elective Topics:
 - Investigative Simulation
 - Investigating Criminal Harassment
 - Surviving cross-examination
 - CPIC for investigators
 - Firearms [Legal Aspects]
 - Computer Crime
 - Anti-terrorism Awareness



General Investigation Training

- **Police Service Delivered GIT Training:**
 - Amherstburg
 - Barrie
 - Belleville
 - Brantford
 - Chatham-Kent
 - Cornwall
 - Durham Region
 - Greater Sudbury
 - Guelph
 - Halton Region
 - Hamilton
 - Kingston
 - LaSalle
 - Leamington
 - London
 - Niagara Region
 - North Bay
 - O.P.P.
 - Ottawa
 - Owen Sound
 - Oxford Community
 - Peel Region
 - Peterborough/Lakefield
 - Sault Ste. Marie
 - South Simcoe
 - Stratford
 - Thunder Bay
 - Toronto
 - Waterloo Region



Sexual Assault Investigation Course (Current)

- Length 9 days
- Composition of Class:
 - 24 police officers
 - Course Description:
 - *“ This Course is designed to assist experienced investigators in developing attitudes, skills and knowledge as they relate to the investigation of sexual assault incidents. Training methods include audio/video, presentations, case study exercises and lectures”.*
- Five courses offered in 2006
 - Three courses at OPC
 - Two off site courses
[Halton and North Bay Police Services]



Sexual Assault Investigation Course (Current)

- Topics:
 - Legal Issues
 - Search and Seizure
 - DNA Warrants
 - Dangerous/Long Term Offenders
 - Third Party Records
 - Interviewing and Interrogation
 - Centre of Forensic Sciences - Biology
 - Centre of Forensic Sciences - Toxicology
 - Major Case Management



Sexual Assault Investigation Course (Current)

- Topics:
 - Behavioural Sciences Unit – OPP
 - ViCLAS [Violent Crime Linkage Analysis System]
 - SOR [Sex Offender Registry]
 - Sexual Assault Evidence Kit
 - Victim Issues
 - Stress Management and Career Development
 - Historical Sexual Assaults
 - Case Study Debriefing



Investigating Offences Against Children

- Replaced joint Police/OACAS
Investigating Sexual Offences Against Children
[ISOAC] (Note: Course suspended April, 2003 – All Chiefs –
“Temporary Suspension of ISOAC Course”)
- New course piloted in 2005 - offered to police officers only [three courses delivered]
- Pre-requisites:
 - Completion of GIT Course
 - Completion of OPC Sexual Assault Course
- Three courses being delivered at OPC in 2006



Investigating Offences Against Children

- Length 10 days
- Composition of Class:
 - 30 police officers
 - Course Description:
 - ***“ This Course is designed for police officers whose area of responsibility includes the investigation of offences against children. The Policing Standards Manual (2000) LE-027 requires the Chiefs of Police to develop and maintain “a policy on investigations into the physical and sexual abuse of children”. In addition investigative protocols must be followed to minimize repeated traumatization of the victims and promote the best interests of the child in all regards”.***
 - ***The Guidelines also suggests that the investigations, where threshold is met, comply with the Ontario Major Case Management Manual.***
 - ***This training will provide these officers with the necessary knowledge, skills and abilities to adequately handle the complexities and demands of child abuse investigations.***



Investigating Offences Against Children

- Topics
 - Legal Issues
 - Abandonment, Neglect, Fail to Provide Necessaries, Criminal Negligence and Manslaughter, Assault and Corrective Force, Abduction Offences
 - Drug Endangered Children
 - Sex Tourism and Canadian Offenders
[Child Sexual Exploitation Offences]
 - Interviewing Children as Suspects
 - Child Development and Interviewing Techniques



Investigating Offences Against Children

- Topics
 - Joint Investigation Protocols
 - Provincial Offences and Amber Alert
 - Luring Offences
 - Child Pornography
 - Bill C-2
 - Ontario College of Teachers – Investigations



Investigating Offences Against Children

- Topics
 - SCAN [Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect] unit presentation
 - Burns, Breaks, Bruises, Shaken Baby Syndrome, Failure to Thrive, Neglect
 - SIDS (Sudden Death Infant Syndrome)
 - SUDS (Sudden Unexplained Death Syndrome)
 - Death of Children Under 2 years
 - Domestic Violence and Emotional Abuse
 - Preparing Children for Court



OACAS Partnership

- Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies (OACAS) and Ontario Police College developed joint protocol for training
- Planning for new ISOAC course took place between January and April, 1996
- Partnership between OPC/ OACAS and Child Protection Training Program
- Guidelines emerged from joint OACAS/OPC meeting held at the Police College on September 18, 1996



OACAS Partnership

- Joint Training Protocol included:
 - Cost sharing for joint training involving both sectors
 - Scheduling
 - Class size to include equal distribution of CAS and police officers
 - Registration procedure
 - Facility requirements
 - Certificates
 - Copyright of materials
 - Trainer costs
 - Joint CAS and local Police Service initiatives



OACAS Partnership

- Protocol updated – November 3, 2000
- OACAS experiencing high turnover of staff during 2000
- ISOAC delivered 50 times between April 2000 and June 2002
- June 2002 – ISOAC is approved Ministry of Community, Family and Children's Services curriculum delivered to the child protection sector through the Ontario Child Protection Training Program
- August 14, 2002 – Sent letter to Director of OACAS proposing full review of ISOAC course
- Identified OPC Instructor to be dedicated to review/ requested full-time staff member from CAS be assigned to assist



OACAS Partnership

- August 26, 2002 – Received letter from Director OACAS
- OACAS conducts internal review of all MCFCS curriculum - highlighted ISOAC as a priority for revision
- ISOAC curriculum review committee struck. OACAS Supervisor of Training Delivery as Chair
- August 2002 – OACAS releases *“An Evaluative Report on the Ontario Child Protection Training Program Curricula”*
- February 7, 2003 – Sent letter to OACAS Director requesting meeting to discuss current ISOAC guidelines in preparation of 03/04 Budget



OACAS Partnership

- March 31, 2003 – Meeting between OACAS Director and Management staff from OPC.
- Discussion regarding future direction of ISOAC training
- OACAS training demand has grown to approximately 115 personnel per month – could reach 2000 per year
- OACAS has identified a high demand for 2-day stand alone interviewing course
- They will deliver their own interview training
- OACAS and OPC agree to suspend ISOAC training while course re-design takes place



OACAS Partnership

- All Chief's memo # 03-0066 issued
- OACAS Director issues memo to Agencies
 - Movement towards curriculum focusing on forensic interviewing
- Collaboration continues at local level and many police services continue to train with local CAS personnel
- OPC begins work on new IOAC Course
[Investigating Offences Against Children]
- New 10 day course includes a broader range of issues related to child abuse investigations as reflected in the Adequacy standards.



OACAS Partnership

- MCFCS approves proposal from OACAS to fund two new courses:
 - **Forensic Interviewing**
 - *A 2-day course for authorized workers that teaches a generic forensic interviewing model to be used in an investigation where there is direct evidence present. This will be used as an intermediate step between the New Worker module – Interviewing Children – and the advanced investigation course that will replace ISOAC*
 - **Supervising the Forensic Interview**
 - *A one-day course designed for supervisors who will be mentoring their staff who do forensic interviews. The course will provide an overview of the interview framework as well as provide supervisors with guidelines and skill practice in mentoring their staff in forensic interviews. Each course will be offered to a maximum of 26 Managers and/or supervisors per session who are required to supervise a worker utilizing the forensic interview model.*



OACAS Partnership

- OPC piloted new IOAC course in January 2005
- Delivered 3-times per year at OPC
- CAS worker participates in delivery of one 90-minute session on joint investigative protocols
- Co-facilitated with a police officer from the same municipality (Hamilton)
- They present a case study and speak to value of respectful working relationship.
- They also address the value of going training in an operational context [debriefing each interview] and cooperation between agencies.