

Workshop #10: Presenting Oral Fluid Drug Testing Results in Court

Date: Tuesday October 29, 2024

Time: 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Rates:

MEMBER RATES		
Early Bird Registration June 26 – September 11 \$150	Late Registration Begins September 12 \$175	On-site Registration Begins October 10 \$200
NON – MEMBER RATES		
Early Bird Registration June 26 – September 11 \$200	Late Registration Begins September 12 \$225	On-site Registration Begins October 10 \$250

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Abstract

The workshop below is provided on behalf of the Oral Fluid Committee. The purpose of the Oral Fluid Committee is to provide scientifically based information and resources regarding the utility of oral fluid analysis for other toxicologists, law enforcement, prosecutors, defense attorneys and the public. The use of oral fluid as a biological matrix for drug testing in impaired driving cases has a longstanding history outside the United States. Within the United States, oral fluid drug testing has gained traction with most states having provisions in either implied consent or testing statutes authorizing the use of oral fluid testing for screening and/or evidentiary purposes. Many states now offer oral fluid drug testing programs. In Canada, there are oral fluid screening devices authorized for the detection of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and cocaine. With the increase in oral fluid drug testing results, inevitably these results will end up in a courtroom setting. The objective of this workshop is to provide context for justifying that oral fluid drug testing in impaired driving cases is not a new or novel concept. Further, the workshop will explore the interpretation of oral fluid results as well as provide context to present these results in courtroom setting from both a prosecutor and toxicology perspective.

Learning Objectives

1. After attending this workshop, participants will become familiar with how to provide the foundational ground to establish that oral fluid drug testing is not a new or novel technique.
2. After attending this workshop, participants will be able to assess oral fluid drug testing and gain a better understanding of how to interpret toxicological findings.

- After attending this workshop, participants will be able to describe how oral fluid drug testing results should be presented in court and be informed about potential litigation challenges in the courtroom.

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Audience Knowledge Level

Intermediate, Advanced

Workshop Agenda

Time	Topic	Speaker
8:00-8:05 am	Welcome and Introduction	Mandi Mohr
8:05-8:35 am	Launching an Oral Fluid Testing Program	Jennifer Limoges
8:35-9:00 am	Blood vs. Oral Fluid, Similarities and Differences	Suman Rana
9:00-10:00 am	Interpreting Oral Fluid Testing Results	Nathalie Desrosiers
10:00-10:30 am	Break	
10:30-11:00 am	Prosecutor Perspective: Potential Challenges with Oral Fluid	Bill Lindsay

11:00-11:30 am	Toxicologist Perspective: Presenting Oral Fluid Results in Court	Curt Harper
11:30-12:00 am	Panel Discussion	All