



# Atlanta HIDTA Training Alert

## Cary, NC

### Highway Vehicle Stops and the Drug Trafficker

**WHEN:** March 23 – 25, 2010 \*8:30AM – 5:00PM

**WHERE:** Western Wake Campus, 3434 Kildaire Farm Road, Cary NC 27518  
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**Description:** This 3-day block of instruction (24 hours) will provide instruction to law enforcement officers on highway traffic stops of suspected drug couriers and users. It is the goal of this course to provide proven techniques that lead to the safe discovery of illegal contraband and ultimately, a successful prosecution. This course will include practical exercises for interviewing techniques and vehicle searches on cars, small trucks and commercial tractor-trailers.

- Determine if an investigation should and can continue after a traffic stop.
- Utilize traffic stop information in such way that it can be used in court to justify related investigations.
- Identify indicators of suspicious behavior, deceptive statements, and suspicious non-verbal indicators.
- Identify critical locations to conduct an interview.
- Learn effective procedures for separating the occupants prior to the interview.
- Find the drugs and money by learning to identify potential compartments.
- Learn techniques for developing PC and determining if drugs or money are present before searching.
- Utilize highway interdiction techniques meant to ensure the safety of officers, drivers, and passengers.

#### **Overview of topics**

The Traffic Stop  
Roadside Interviews  
Vehicle Searches/Hidden Compartments (including use of K9)  
Evidence Handling  
Commercial Vehicle Smuggling  
Officer Safety

**ENROLLMENT:** Open to federal, state and local sworn LEO'S, prosecutors and Intelligence Analysts.  
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**There is no enrollment or registration fee for this course.**

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Follow all guidelines for outside training set by your department before enrolling in any HIDTA class.

