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## Seminar Agenda

**Part 1** Most Common Violations of Embalming Standards of Care and How to Avoid Them

**Part 2** Embalming A Silent Danger: Renal Failure

## Seminar Details

Each person attending will need to provide us with a unique email address.

A link will be sent to you by email with the Zoom link.

## Continuing Education

Approved for 2 hours of continuing education credit by the Kansas State Board of Mortuary Arts



# On-Demand KFDA Embalming Seminar

Presented by  
***Jzyk S. Ennis, Ph.D.***

## Embalming Seminar

### Most Common Violations of Embalming Standards of Care and How to Avoid Them

While the funeral service profession is an ever-changing workplace, there are certain expected practices in embalming, known as “Standards of Care.” Understandably, funeral professionals are expected to follow these prescribed standards. These standards are ones that must be revisited by all levels of funeral service professionals over the course of their careers to ensure that consumers are treated fairly and with respect. Failure to follow standards of care also may lead to a negative reputation for the embalmer, the funeral home, and the funeral profession. It is of the utmost importance that funeral professionals and funeral homes revisit these core principles to ensure that the highest quality of care is provided to families who select and pay for the funeral professional’s services. Failure to follow professional standards of care may lead to costly litigation and failure to meet client expectations.

This one-hour (50 minute) seminar is focused on some of the most commonly violated standards of care related to embalming and funeral service practice across the United States.

### Embalming A Silent Danger: Renal Failure

Deaths related to diseases of the kidneys are consistently in the top ten causes of death each

year in the United States. However, little to no attention is currently focused on these types of cases. During the COVID-19 pandemic, renal failure has also been reported as a major complication of those deaths. Understandably, funeral professionals are expected to understand and follow standards of care related to renal failure embalming; however, the problem for embalmers is that unlike jaundice and edema, renal failure can remain undetected by the embalmer unless the embalmer is trained to look for signs of renal failure. Failure to follow standards of care may lead to a negative reputation for the embalmer, the funeral home, and the funeral profession. It is of the utmost importance that funeral professionals and funeral homes revisit these core principles to ensure that the highest quality of care is provided to families who select and pay for the funeral professional’s services.

This one-hour (50 minute) seminar is focused on the problems associated with renal failure and how the embalmer can recognize and properly embalm these types of cases.

## Presenter



**Jzyk S. Ennis,  
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## About the Instructor

**Jzyk S. Ennis, Ph.D.** is employed as a full-time instructor in the Funeral Service Education Program at Jefferson State Community College in Birmingham, Alabama and as a part-time funeral director for Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home in Trussville, Alabama. Dr. Ennis is a licensed funeral director and embalmer, a Certified Funeral Service Practitioner and a Certified Crematory Operator. He previously managed one of Alabama’s largest funeral homes and has over 25 years of licensed experience in the funeral profession.

Dr. Ennis has written two books related to embalming, *Embalming Standards of Care* and *Embalming and Renal Failure: A Silent Danger for Embalmers*. He is a nationally recognized speaker, has written numerous articles for national and state publications, and is a subject matter expert in legal cases related to embalming and funeral service. He is currently serving as President of the American Board of Funeral Service Education is a past president of the Alabama Funeral Directors Association, and a former At-large Representative on the NFDA Executive Board. Dr. Ennis graduated Magna Cum Laude from Jefferson State Community college. He also earned degrees from: Auburn University with a B.S. in Business Administration, the University of Alabama at Birmingham with a M.P.A in Public Administration, and Auburn University with a Ph.D. in Adult Education.