

The NITV's 2009 Annual Advanced Examiners Course
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Dr. Humble:

I wanted to take a few minutes to tell you how pleased I am with the NITV and the CVSA II Computer. I just attended the Annual Re-certification/Advanced Examiners training in Boca Raton, Florida. The first thing that comes to my mind is wow! From the time that my partner and I arrived at the hotel, to our graduation, everything ran smoothly and without a hitch.

The instruction was second to none. The instructors are patient, knowledgeable CVSA examiners who have obviously used and instructed the use of the CVSA for some time. They are excellent at breaking down the issues that people are having and simplifying their problem to make obtaining an answer easy.

The thing that I enjoyed the most at the Annual re-certification is the ability to sit, relax, and listen to the instructors. I remember attending my CEC course and thinking to myself, am I ever going to be able to understand this and use it effectively.

The Re-certification/Advanced Examiners course has allowed me to pick a thing or two that I had missed during the CEC, refreshed my memory about good DBR techniques, and allowed me to head off any bad habits that I may have been starting to develop.

Another part of re-certification that I really enjoyed was the Meet and Greet. It allowed the students to mingle with other students and instructors, to share similar stories and experiences, and also allows the sharing of contact information.

In closing, I would like to say thank you for running a top notch organization that is helping those of us who protect others to keep effectively fighting the fight.

P.S. The fact that I am from Ohio, and the weather was sunny and warm is definitely a plus.

Additional Comments:

"Gets better every time. Always a wonderful learning experience & a nice trip. I am proud to be an examiner since 1990! Dr. Humble is an example of leadership to us all in our profession." - **By Chief Vincent Carlone, New Shoreham P.D., Block Island, (RI)**

"I came to this class just after receiving the Dell CVSA II from a Toshiba trade-in. I had concerns regarding all of the upgrades that had been done to the newest and most current instrument. I leave today without any reservations to a successful test conclusion when I begin to use this new and extremely improved CVSA. Thanks to NITV, its staff and may God bless you all!" - **By Captain Stephen McGilvray, Graham P.D. (NC)**

"Back to the basics is a must! This was by far the best AEC I've ever attended. All of the instructors are great and the atmosphere was laid back." - **By D/Sgt. Jesse Van Deusen, City of Carbondale P.D. (PA)**

"This is my 3rd re-cert and they just keep getting better and better! Great class!" - **By Sgt. Bob Sexton, Johnson Co. Sheriff's Dept., Franklin, IN**