



Gulf Coast High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Training Alert **No Cost to Attend**

Sponsored by the Gulf Coast HIDTA

Advanced Narcotics Techniques Class

WHEN: Wednesday, October 29, 2025 08:00AM-5:00 PM
Thursday, October 30, 2025 08:00AM-5:00 PM

Location: I.P. Casino and Resort

Address: 850 Bayview Avenue
Biloxi, MS 39530

DESCRIPTION:

ADVANCED NARCOTICS TECHNIQUES Course- Nationwide, most narcotics detectives were only taught the basics of how to do three buys from a target location, serve a search warrant, and then close the case if they can't flip the original target. During this training session, LE will learn new advanced approaches to making cases, including establishing trafficking patterns, articulating criminal behaviors, cultivating new levels of informants, advanced body wire technology, cell phone tracking, utilizing open-source intelligence, and other electronic evidence sources that are available for officers to serve legal processes.

This two-day course will cover the following:

- Open-source intelligence (what it is and where to get it)
- New levels of informants • Establishing patterns of criminality in cases
- Electronic evidence sources
- Advanced body wire/listening devices
- Simple surveillance for advanced probable cause
- Small units that produce large unit results
- Making a case while reducing exposures to hazardous controlled substances (fentanyl, Nitazines, etc.)

TRAINING:

The Gulf Coast HIDTA is proud to provide a *two-day* **Advanced Narcotics Techniques Course** at **no cost to attend.**



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Instructor: William "Bill" Loucks Jr

Bill is currently the North Carolina senior investigator for Hope For Justice, where he conducts human trafficking investigations for a non-governmental organization (NGO).

Bill spent four years as an instructor for the North Carolina Department of Justice-Justice Academy (NCJA) in Edneyville where he instructed gang and narcotics-related courses. He also served as the school director

(SD) for the prescription drug diversion investigator and supervisor's certification courses. Bill was also the qualified assistant (QA) school director over the specialized explosives & hazardous materials commissioned course. Bill has instructed more than 10,000 individuals on controlled substances, gangs, and human trafficking.

Bill retired from the Metro Nashville Tennessee Police Department in August 2018. Bill spent 13 of his 15 1/2 years with Metro PD working as a gang and narcotics detective. Throughout his time with Metro PD, Bill had written more than 800 search warrants and been involved in more than 1000 search warrant executions. He has been the affiant on and taken part in multiple T-III (wiretap) cases. Bill is experienced in functioning undercover in both gang and drug-related cases. Bill has also testified in Nashville Davidson County, TN, Criminal, General Sessions, and Juvenile Courts as a subject matter expert in clandestine labs, and gangs.

Bill has more than 17,000 Hrs. and 10 years of investigative experience ranging from transnational criminal organizations (TCO/cartel), street dealers, organized crime, homicides, weapons violations, fraud rings, identity theft, etc. He has conducted more than 500 seizures ranging from US currency, cars, boats, houses, guns, bank accounts (writs of attachment), etc. Bill has shut down and padlocked businesses in the past over nuisance/abatement orders.

Before his police career, Bill spent 8 1/2 years in the United States Army. Bill served three years as a cannon member in the 82nd Airborne Division. In his last five years, Bill worked as a Flight Engineer with the Task Force 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (SOAR - Night Stalkers) on the MH-47E Chinook helicopter.

Room Reservations:

Group Name: Advanced Narcotics Techniques Class

Group Code: ANTJ25C

Cut-Off Date: Wednesday, October 15, 2025

Online Reservations: www.ipbiloxi.com/groups

Group Link: ANTJ25C

Call-In Reservations:



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IP Casino Resort Spa Room Reservations Department (888) 946-2847, press 1 for reservations, identify yourself as being with a group by using Group Name or Code.

\$89.00 room rate with a \$17.00 resort fee.

Check-in

Check in time begins at 4:00 pm and checkout time is by 11:00 am.

Deadline for making reservations:

Reservations must be received by the Hotel before October 15, 2025. Any unsold rooms remaining in this block will be automatically released on this day and returned to the Hotel for general sale.

Enrollment:

1. Click on this link <https://www.nhac.org/hidtatrainingcalendar/events/1>
2. Once logged in, select Gulf Coast HIDTA
3. Then select " **Advanced Narcotics Techniques Course** " class in Biloxi, Mississippi and fill in the online application
4. Select Complete Registration
Save the application number for further use if necessary

You will receive an e-mail indicating your online registration has been received

Attendance: All law enforcement is welcome in this course regardless of assignment.

Contact: Please enroll on-line. If you have any questions or issues with the on-line process, contact Tony Sauro at 228.297.2863 or by e-mail at saurot@gchidta.org