



FDIAI REGION 6 TRAINING



LATENT PRINT SUITABILITY DECISIONS ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

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THE FIRST STEP IS ALWAYS THE HARDEST... DURING THE LATENT PRINT EXAMINATION PROCESS, THE ANALYSIS DECISION INVOLVES TWO DECISIONS: **1)** IS THE FEATURE SET PRESENT IN THIS LATENT PRINT SUFFICIENT TO WARRANT MOVING IT TO COMPARISON (OR FOR DATABASE SEARCH) AND **2)** WHAT ARE THE SEARCH PARAMETERS (ANATOMICAL REGIONS AND ORIENTATIONS) THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS LATENT PRINT. ANSWERING BOTH OF THESE QUESTIONS INVOLVES COMPLEX WEBS OF KNOWLEDGE. ADDITIONALLY, THERE IS A GREY AREA WHERE PRINTS TRANSITION FROM SUITABLE TO NOT SUITABLE, IT IS NOT A DISCREET CUT-OFF.

SEASONED EXAMINERS OFTEN "KNOW IT WHEN THEY SEE IT", BUT SOMETIMES STRUGGLE TO ARTICULATE THE FOUNDATION FOR THEIR DECISION. THIS NATURAL LOSS OF WORDS AS EXAMINERS GAIN EXPERTISE MAKES IT A CHALLENGE TO PASS KNOWLEDGE TO THE NEXT GENERATION OF EXAMINERS. IN THIS ROUND TABLE WE WILL DISCUSS TOOLS AND MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES THAT MAY ASSIST AGENCIES IN STABILIZING SUITABILITY DECISIONS AND INCREASING CONSENSUS AMONG THE EXAMINERS WITHIN A UNIT.

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