## 4 Minute "Embalmer Blood Clot Survey"

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## Ms. Kathy Ryan,

Please forward this email verbatim to all embalmers that the Pennsylvania Funeral Directors Association has contact with. And they too are encouraged to forward it to their embalmer colleagues as well. We sincerely thank you for spreading the word so that embalmers across the state can participate in this important survey.

And please don't hesitate to call me at phone number 937-431-0801 if you have any questions or comments about the survey.

Sincerely,

-Tom Haviland

To All Embalmers,

This is for only those among you who are currently actively performing embalmings.

We need your help again as 2023 rolls into 2024. Embalmers all over the country are still seeing unusual large whitish-colored "fibrous" structures/clots (as shown in the attached photo) in some corpses as they perform their embalmings. These are not to be confused with the typical yellowish "chicken fat" clots that are smaller, much easier to tear, and which embalmers have been observing for many years. Some embalmers are also still seeing a raised level of the traditional "grape jelly" blood clots, as well as "micro-clotting" in the blood as evidenced by the appearance of what looks like "coffee grounds" or "dirty blood" in the drainage of corpses. Scientists are studying the problem, but they need more data. That's where you come in.

For those of you who are currently performing embalmings, please take just a couple of minutes to fill out the very short survey at the link provided below. It really will just take you four or five minutes to complete, but your answers will be of tremendous value to the scientists studying this problem.

And we promise that both your identity and your answers will be kept completely anonymous. Your computer's IP address will NOT be captured.

Here is the link to the survey: USA DECEMBER 2023 EMBALMER BLOOD CLOT SURVEY

Thank you for your participation in this very important survey.

And thank you to those of you who participated in last year's survey. Your answers are helping to save lives.

After taking the survey, if you are comfortable with sharing your observations publicly, then please contact Mr. Thomas Haviland at thomashaviland@sbcglobal.net or phone number 937-431-0801.



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