

ABOUT SGT JENNIFER DOBEY, MPA, MS

Sgt. Jennifer Dobey is a 23-year veteran of the Winston-Salem Police Department in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Sixteen of those years have been spent in the Special Victims Unit where she investigated hundreds of child maltreatment cases. In 2022, she became the supervisor of that unit which comprised of nine (9) detectives, the largest section in her Department's Criminal Investigation Division. She is a trained forensic interviewer and the lead instructor for her department in the areas of Investigation of Child Abuse and Child Sexual Assault, Juvenile Law and Intimate Partner Violence for police recruits and advanced in-service training for sworn officers. She is the Team Leader of the Crisis Negotiators and the President for the North Carolina chapter of APSAC. Sgt. Dobey has provided instruction to SANE nurses both locally as well as at conferences put on by the International Association of Forensic Nurses (IAFN) and has presented to multi-disciplinary teams through trainings hosted by the North Carolina Association of District Attorneys. Sgt. Dobey has a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from Salem College, a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice from East Carolina University and a Master of Public Administration from Appalachian State University. Her current research interests include a local look at ACE scores within her community as it pertains to violent crime, both victimization and perpetration as well as interstate consultation on human trafficking cases with regard to system failures. On the rare occasion that she is not at work, she loves spending time with her fiancé Lauren, their daughter, Emily and their six horses (among other farm animals).

