

3 Minute "Embalmer Blood Clot Survey"

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Ms. Cathlene Johnson,

Please forward this email verbatim to all embalmers that the Illinois 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 of Illinois 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. Embalmers all over the country have stated that they are seeing unusual large whitish-colored "fibrous" structures/clots in some of the 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 have also stated that they are seeing an increase in the number and viscosity of the traditional "grape jelly" (also called "currant jelly") blood clots in corpses as they perform their embalmings. 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 two or three 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: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/82B3BY2>

Thank you for your participation in this very important survey.

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.

