

Strategic considerations for forensic tools in casework

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In February 2009, the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) released its report on forensic science: Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States: A Path Forward (2009). Within three months of its publication, Justice Scalia cited the report in a Supreme Court decision, writing: “Forensic evidence is not uniquely immune from the risk of manipulation. . . . Serious deficiencies have been found in the forensic evidence used in criminal trials.” In the USA both the Senate and the House held hearings, and a bill was introduced in Congress. In addition, the President appointed a committee on forensic science. New institutions desiring to provide new forensic services needs to cope with this debate. The presentation will provide the key aspects to the development of an ongoing strategic planning and execution process, offering some guidance for implementation and continual improvement in the provision of forensic science services.

Summary

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