

Leigh Bishop is the Director of the Babies and Toddlers Task Force at the New York City Office of Chief Medical Examiner. In 2023, she was appointed by the Chief Medical Examiner to develop a first-of-its-kind task force to support public health and safety for babies and their families through investigations, multidisciplinary training and special initiatives.

From 2019-2023, Leigh was the founder and president of Babies and Toddlers, Inc., a non-profit organization that provided training across the United States to doctors, lawyers and law enforcement on the investigation of serious injuries and deaths of children under the age of 4 years.

From 1997-2019, Leigh served as an Assistant District Attorney in Queens County under Judge Richard A. Brown. In 2014, she was appointed by Judge Brown to head the first-ever Child Fatality Unit of a district attorney's office in the United States and, in this role, she led all homicide and serious assault investigations and prosecutions involving babies and toddlers in Queens County. She led multi-agency investigations involving the New York City Police Department Homicide Squads and Child Abuse Squads, New York City Office of Chief Medical Examiner, Administration for Children's Services and all major New York City hospital network child protection teams to determine the cause of the serious injury or death of children under 4 years old.

Leigh is widely recognized for her leadership on Abusive Head Trauma in children and as a resource on the relevant medical and legal issues. Since 2011, Leigh has been a frequent speaker on Abusive Head Trauma to medical, legal and law enforcement groups in and around New York City, as well as nationally and internationally. Since 2009, she has led a large bi-annual conference on Abusive Head Trauma at the New York City Office of Chief Medical Examiner.

Leigh is a 1992 graduate of Rhodes College in Memphis, Tennessee and a 1996 graduate of Southern Methodist University (SMU) Dedman School of Law in Dallas, Texas. Leigh is originally from Birmingham, Alabama. Roll Tide!