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FREE: Suicide Assessment & Intervention for First Responders

Training is funded through a grant from the Mental Health Association of Illinois/Illinois Suicide Prevention Coalition. Springfield: May 31, 2007

Seminar Overview

This training will improve the police response to individuals who have made suicide threats, gestures or attempts. Officers will learn basic suicide assessment and skills to identify suicidal behavior and intervene effectively.

Program Highlights

- Be able to explain the difference between suicidal ideation, gestures, threats and attempts.
- Understand indirect self-destructive behavior and its relationship to suicide.



• Understand the prevalence of suicide in the general population and in particular demographic groups, such as law enforcement officers.

• Describe various factors that can lead to suicidal behavior in individuals.

- Understand the link between suicide and homicide in adolescents and young adults.
- Identify warning signs of suicide.
- Assess individuals for suicide risk in the field or in a telephone interaction.
- Utilize a petition for the purpose of involuntary hospitalization with an individual who is at imminent risk of suicide.
- Understand liability issues when dealing with a suicide.
- Describe how basic crisis communication skills can be effectively used in suicide interventions.
- Identify and explain at least 10 techniques that may be utilized in suicide interventions.
- List 10 assumptions common to all suicide interventions.

Training Coordinator—Shelley Daunis; Trainers— Andrew Feller, C.I.T. Officer, Edwardsville Police Department; and John FS Williams, M.Ed.,

Director, Youth Services, Oak Park & River Forest

This class will be team taught by law enforcement and mental health instructors. In addition, the author of the training and the State of Illinois' Crisis Intervention Coordinator, Shelley Daunis, will be on-site and providing instruction.

For the last nine years, Shelley Daunis, Daunis Consulting, has been providing training and consultation to law enforcement agencies around the state on improving interactions with mentally ill individuals. In 2002, Daunis was involved in developing the statewide Crisis Intervention Team initiative with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board. In 1997, Daunis collaborated with the Chicago Police Department in an effort to improve police interactions with individuals who had a mental illness. Daunis also speaks at conferences nationally on law enforcement involvement with mentally ill individuals.

Seminar Details

- Location: F.O.P., Illinois State Lodge Training Room, 4341 Acer Grove, Suite A, Springfield, IL 62711
- Time: 9:00am 4:00pm/Lunch Included
- Pre- and post-tests will be given to all attendees to determine if class objectives were met.

Registration & Contact Information

 Debbie Lakamp, 4341 Acer Grove, Suite B, Springfield, IL 62711; Phone: 217-726-8880; Fax: 217-726-8881; Email: dlakamp@ilfop.org; Register Online at: www.ilfop.org

Hotel Information

A Suicide Assessment Seminar Rate of \$89 per night has been negotiated with the Crowne Plaza, 3000 S. Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62703, 217-529-7777. Reservations must be made by May 25, 2007.

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