

SAFETY AND CRISIS PREVENTION/INTERVENTIONS WHEN WORKING WITH FORENSIC/JUSTICE INVOLVED CONSUMERS

DATE & TIME: September 16 & September 17, 2020

9:00AM - 12:00PM

Attendance on both training days is required for credit

PLACE: Web Broadcast in Microsoft Teams

Details will follow.

DESCRIPTION: The goal of this training is to provide an overview of specific safety practices and crisis prevention/interventions important to working with Forensic/Justice Involved Consumers. The training will encompass a discussion of safety techniques applicable to several settings including street-based outreach to homeless consumers, home-visits and various other communities, in order to improve situational awareness. Furthermore, the training will provide best practice approaches to managing crisis prevention/interventions situations for all staff working with a culturally diverse forensic/justice involved consumers. The training will address the different stages of a crisis, warning signs, assessment, decision-making, and communication coupled with the appropriate interventions to use during each crisis stage. Vignettes, role-playing, and group activities will serve to enhance learning and application of interventions. Lastly, other topics will include self-care and self-monitoring strategies to manage emotions during a crisis, facilitating recovery/return to baseline, debriefing to mitigate burn out and to enhance the quality of life for service providers.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Priority registration to AB109 Program staff, Men's & Women's Community Reintegration Program staff, Mental Health Court Linkage Program Staff, and contracted agencies working with those programs.

OBJECTIVES: As a result of attending this training, participants should be able to:

- 1) Identify three specific practices to ensure safety in a clinic/field-based setting.
- 2) Explain situational awareness and demonstrate how to apply it when conducting fieldwork.
- 3) Identify three specific practices to ensure safety when conducting street-based outreach to culturally diverse Forensic/Justice Involved homeless consumers.
- 4) Define what a crisis constitutes and give three specific examples/scenarios of a consumer in crisis.
- 5) Identify three non-verbal and three verbal techniques to use when a consumer is in crisis or agitated.
- 6) Identify three self-care/self-monitoring strategies to utilize when handling a consumer in crisis.

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