## Legal and Ethical Considerations: Working with Forensically Involved Individuals

DATE & TIME: December 11 & 12, 2024 9:00AM – 12:00PM

Sign-in begins 30 minutes prior to the training time. All participants must arrive during the sign-in period.

Late arrivals will not be admitted.

PLACE: Web Broadcast - Zoom

REGISTRATION: <a href="https://eventshub.dmh.lacounty.gov/">https://eventshub.dmh.lacounty.gov/</a>

**DESCRIPTION:** This training will focus on legal and ethical considerations relevant to working with Forensic/Justice involved consumers. An overview of the criminal justice system in Los Angeles County and how mentally ill consumers navigate through the forensic system will be discussed. Other topics will include: confidentiality, privilege, reporting requirements, PHI, HIPAA, informed consent, agency policy/procedures and appropriate documentation. The training will identify the various sources of current legal policies define patient-provider privilege and will review how to recognize signs of compromised boundaries (e.g., accepting gifts and inappropriate physical/personal boundaries). Ethical decision-making approaches relevant to individual and team accountability will be addressed, as well as self-awareness and its applicability to Forensic/Justice Involved program delivery services.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Registration is limited to staff from AB109, Men's & Women's Community Reintegration, Mental Health Court Linkage, and contracted agencies working with these programs.

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

- 1. Describe legal and ethical standards as associated with working with Forensic/Justice Involved consumers.
- 2. Identify approaches to managing patient/provider privilege, PHI, HIPAA and Informed Consent.
- 3. Explain how to manage communication and confidentiality in the Criminal Justice System.
- 4. Analyze the sources of boundary and ethical dilemmas within the Criminal Justice System.
- 5. Discuss legal and ethical guidelines in the Criminal Justice System when working with Forensic/Justice involved consumers.
- 6. Identify three important strategies when working within the criminal justice and public mental health system.

CONDUCTED

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**DEADLINE:** When capacity is reached

CONTINUING 6 hours for BBS, BRN, CCAPP-EI

**EDUCATION:** 6 CEs for Psychologist

COST: None