

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID FOR PUBLIC SAFETY



Almost 10%

of police calls involved someone with a MENTAL ILLNESS IN 2014.

National Public Radio (NPR)

Nearly 1 in 4 police offiicers thinks of suicide at some POINT IN THEIR LIFE.

National Alliance on Mental Illness via 2009 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Report

1.2 million individuals living with mental illness are in jail AND PRISON EACH YEAR.

Mental Health America

NH Law Enforcement Training Opportunity

- **FREE 8-Hour Virtual Training Class via Microsoft Teams** (No download necessary)
- Aligns with LEACT Recommendations for Offering Mental Health and Well-**Being Training for New Hampshire Law Enforcement**

Why Mental Health First Aid?

Mental Health First Aid for Public Safety teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders. This 8-hour training gives you the skills you need to reach out and provide initial support to someone who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem and help connect them to the appropriate care. It focuses on the unique experiences and needs of public safety personnel and is a valuable resource that can make a difference in their lives, their coworkers' and families' lives, and the communities they serve.

WHO SHOULD TAKE IT

- Law enforcement
- Corrections officers
- Other first responders
- 911 dispatch staff

WHAT IT COVERS

- · Defusing crises.
- Promoting mental health literacy.
- · Combating stigma of mental illness.
- Enabling early intervention through recognition of signs and symptoms.
- · Connecting people to care.

The course will teach you how to apply the ALGEE action plan:

- · Assess for risk of suicide or harm
- · Listen non-judgmentally
- Give reassurance and information
- **Encourage** appropriate professional help
- **Encourage** self-help and other support strategies



Host: Nashua Police Department

Location: Virtual (Link will be sent after registration) Instructors: Sgt. Charles MacGregor, Ofc. Andrew Fleming

Date: WEDNESDAY, MAY 19th

Time: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

REGISTER HERE http://bit.ly/LETRTraining

PLEASE REGISTER BY MAY, 17th



