



SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING PROGRAM

Mobile Team Unit 15

Training Announcement

Name of Training			Class ID#	Course ID#
Jail/Prison Suicide Prevention: A Criminal Justice Response			83478	63523
Date(s) of training	Time	Hours	Location	
October 18, 2017	12:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	4	Jackson County Sheriff's Office 1001 Mulberry Street Murphysboro, IL	

Course Description

This four-hour program has been designed with the purpose of addressing the issues related to suicide in the Illinois jail system. It meets all standards set forth by Illinois Administrative Code, title 20; Chapter 1 Subchapter f, section 701.90(h). Suicides are the leading cause of death in Illinois jails. Mental health issues are interfaced with this phenomenon. The course is designed to provide corrections officers, criminal justice and law enforcement professionals in how to best address these most crucial corrections issue. The problem of suicide in jails is at what some experts call epidemic proportions in Illinois. Often inmates come to the jail with mental health issues that lead to and exacerbate their suicidal attempts. Litigation in jail suicide cases has cost the citizens of Illinois significant amounts of money. Experience tells us that almost all jail suicides can be prevented through a comprehensive program of recognition, assessment and prevention. The program that can be developed through information received in this training begins at intake and follows the inmate through his stay at the correctional facility. The program is designed to provide criminal justice officers with the skills and knowledge required to effectively respond and provide appropriate action. The skills addressed will include, but not be limited to: Legal, social and criminal responses to jail suicides.

Course Objectives

- To be able to identify dynamics of suicide
- To be able to identify major categories of mental illness and their impact upon the risk of an inmate becoming suicidal
- To be able to identify high risk situations in jails
- To be able to identify behavior and verbal cues of a suicidal person
- To be able to identify principles of discipline and behavior management that decrease suicidal behavior among inmates

Instructor

Gail P. Sullivan, MA, will be the instructor for this class. Ms. Sullivan graduated from Loyola University (BA) and DePaul University (MA) with honors. She has worked in the field of social services and criminal justice for the past twenty-five years in the private and public sector. She provides training for the Cook County Adult Probation Department, Illinois Crisis Intervention Team and Homeland Security, as well as MTUs across the state of Illinois.

Other Information

This class is being jointly funded by Jackson County Sheriff's Office, Union County Sheriff's Office, Randolph County Sheriff's office and Mobile Team Unit 15.

Training Mandates met by this training indicated by √

√	Civil Rights	√	Constitutional and proper use of law enforcement authority
√	Cultural Competency	√	Procedural Justice
√	Human Rights	√	Law Updates
	Lead Homicide Investigator		Use of Force (<i>must include scenario based or similar approved training</i>)

This class is certified by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board