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MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID



Mental Health FIRST AID
from NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR MENTAL WELLBEING

WHY MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID?

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among adults.

On average,

130

people die by suicide every day.

Source: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

From 1999 to 2019,

841,000

people died from drug overdoses.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Nearly

1 IN 5

in the U.S. lives with a mental illness.

Source: National Institute of Mental Health

WHO NEEDS MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID?*

- Community service organizations
- Police officers
- Doctors
- Hospital staff
- First responders
- Clergy
- Lawyers

*Any staff in the above groups can become certified

WHAT IT COVERS

- Common signs and symptoms of mental illness
- Common signs and symptoms of substance use
- How to interact with a person in crisis
- How to connect the person with help
- Expanded content on trauma, addiction and self-care

The course will teach you how to apply the Mental Health First Aid Action Plan (ALGEE):

- A**ssess for risk of suicide or harm.
- L**isten non-judgmentally.
- G**ive reassurance and information.
- E**ncourage appropriate professional help.
- E**ncourage self-help and other support strategies.

THREE WAYS TO LEARN

- **In-person** – Learners receive their training during an in-person, 8-hour instructor-led session with a lunch break.
- **Blended** – Learners complete a 2-hour, self-paced online course, and participate in a 6-hour, instructor-led training.

This instructor-led training can be:

- Virtual using a HIPAA compliant Zoom platform.
- An in-person class.

Click the link

<https://bit.ly/499XKhC>

or scan the QR Code to request a FREE group training session



For more information, contact MHFA@jfsbroward.org.

Sources

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