

## EASTERN MISSOURI POLICE ACADEMY

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## CRISIS INTERVENTION TRAINING FOR DISPATCHERS

September 19-20, 2023 0800-1700 each day 11 Meadows Circle Drive Suite 422 Lake Saint Louis, MO. 63367

Public safety dispatchers handle a large variety of calls. Calls involving mental illness are becoming more frequent and tele-communicators need to know how to effectively communicate with the consumers on the other end of the line.

Some categories to be covered during this training include:

- The knowledge and skill to identify signs and symptoms of mental illness
- The skills to assess and manage an individual's risk for suicide
- How to effectively communicate strategies when handling suicidal calls
- Develop a better understanding of the police officer's role; examine officer safety and tactical considerations to improve the effectiveness of field contacts with consumers.
- An understanding of the importance of self-care in identifying signs and symptoms of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

POST Continued Education credit will be given for the following hours: 16-hrs Interpersonal Perspectives

COST: FREE

For additional information or to register, please contact Crystal Rinkel at 636-614-4072 ext 104 or email crinkel@thepoliceacdemy.org.