

 An official website of the United States government, Department of Justice. [Here's how you know](#) ▾



[About](#) | [Subscribe](#) | [Contact Us](#) | 

Search



[About](#) ▾ [News](#) ▾ [Topics](#) ▾ [Programs & Initiatives](#) ▾ [Funding & Awards](#) ▾ [Library & Multimedia](#) ▾ [Events](#) ▾

[Home](#) / [Events](#)

Crisis Response and Intervention Training (CRIT)

Part of the Academic Training to Inform Police Responses

© rawpixel-com/freepik.com ([see reuse policy](#)).

Location: Online

The Crisis Response and Intervention Training (CRIT) is a 40-hour training program designed to prepare police officers in their response to people experiencing crises related to behavioral health conditions (including mental health conditions and substance use disorders) and intellectual and developmental disabilities. This training is based upon the original Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training and is designed to

complement the development and delivery of crisis response programs planned by law enforcement agencies, behavioral health services providers, and disability service providers in the community.

CRIT's overall philosophy is officer safety, public safety, and diversion from the criminal justice system when possible. The goals of the curriculum include:

- Expanding officers' knowledge of mental health conditions, substance use disorders, and intellectual and developmental disabilities;
- Creating connections with people with lived experience
- Enhancing officers' awareness of community services
- Emphasizing the de-escalation of crisis situations
- Supporting officer safety and wellness

CRIT is a 40-hour training program that includes 18 modules of varying lengths and learning styles. These modules focus on topical areas such as behavioral health and intellectual and developmental disabilities, community engagement and resources, systems and legal considerations, and scenario-based skills.



[Learn More](#)

Details

Series: [Academic Training to Inform Police Responses](#)

Event Type: Classroom

Event Option(s): Online, On demand

Sponsor(s) / Host(s):

Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), U.S. Department of Justice; Academic Training to Inform Police Responses

Contact: Download materials online

Email: policeresearch@uc.edu

Cost: \$0

Read more about

Law enforcement

Mental health

Drugs

Substance abuse

Date Created: December 27, 2022



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS