

Crisis Intervention Team

Crisis Intervention Team or "CIT" Programs help people with mental illness cope and maintain recovery. CIT helps sustain more effective interactions among law enforcement, mental health care providers, individuals with mental illness, their families and communities and reduce the stigma of mental illness. CIT works to accomplish this purpose by raising public and stakeholder awareness through education and outreach, complying with recommended standards for developing, implementing and sustaining crisis intervention team programs, and by providing assistance to communities interested in developing CIT programs. Long after the CIT training program has been completed, the Kentucky CIT Program maintains contact with local law enforcement, mental health professionals and advocates by establishing and remaining an active partner in the local community on the CIT Steering Committee.

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The costs of this event are being borne by our sponsors and thereby will be waived for sworn CIT law enforcement officers in order to allow you to attend as their guests.

Thanks to the Cabinet for



Kentucky Crisis Intervention Team "CIT" Conference for Law Enforcement



**Kentucky State University
Bradford Hall Auditorium
400 E. Main – Frankfort
June 24, 2009
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT**

Hosted by
Lt. Denise Spratt
(Ret.) Louisville Metro Police
Kentucky CIT Program Director
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CIT Program for Kentucky Law Enforcement

The Kentucky CIT Program began in 2001 in Louisville. Since that time, there have been approximately 850 law enforcement officers trained in the CIT model of verbal de-escalation, active listening skills and non-lethal weapons use. This program has decreased the number of injuries to officers and consumers and increased the number of consumers receiving the treatment they need for their mental illness. CIT has proven to be a best practices model for jail diversion of people with mental illness.

In 2007, a grant was obtained from the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services that enabled this life-saving program to be introduced to law enforcement officers in communities all across the Commonwealth. Since that time, a total of 12 classes have been taught providing instruction to over 360 officers from every region of the state.

Lt. Denise Spratt (Ret. LMPD) is calling all CIT-trained officers together for this one-day session of continued training and networking. They will also hear from experts able to increase officer knowledge about the CIT training program in Kentucky.

One of the goals of this conference is to say "thanks" to some of the fine officers who have taken the CIT training and put it into practice helping people in need. We will be awarding the "CIT Officer of the Year" Awards based upon officers serving in each region of KY.

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

Senator Julie Denton, Chair, KY Senate Health and Welfare Committee. Sponsor of SB104 (2007 General Assembly) that authorized CIT in Kentucky.

Shannon Ware, CEO, Bluegrass Regional MH-MR Board

Janie Miller, Secretary, Cabinet for Health and Family Services

J. Michael Brown, Secretary of the KY Justice Cabinet

Rodney Brewer, Commissioner, Kentucky State Police

William Smock, M.D. Police Physician, LMPD

Dr. Smock will address the medical issues related to persons demonstrating symptoms of Excited Delirium, and mental illness, and how law enforcement can more effectively interact with them.

Bobby Smith, Ph.D., Keynote Speaker,

Former Louisiana State Trooper, who was shot in the line of duty and blinded. He will relay his story of accomplishment and comeback from this ordeal. Dr. Smith founded and is the director of FORTE (Foundation for Officers Recovering from Traumatic Events). He is a renowned author and speaker and has addressed over 1 million people in his career, providing training and motivating people to overcome adversity.

He will impact your life!

A very special presentation will be made during lunch to each regionally-nominated

CIT Officer of the Year

Peers, Commanding Officers, Mental Health center staff, advocates and sponsors are eligible to nominate officers for this award.

CIT Officer Registration Form

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

AGENCY _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE (____) _____ - _____

EMAIL _____

Please Mail or Email Registration to:

Kentucky CIT Program

Attn: Jim Dailey

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Louisville, KY 40222-6535

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Please register early. Space is available for the first 200 registrants only.

This conference is open to sworn Kentucky Law Enforcement officers who have completed the 40-hour CIT training, and their chiefs of police or sheriff.

Registration is required by June 12.

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