

Interactions with Persons with Mental Illness:

INSTRUCTOR COURSE

Class Overview

The Interactions with Persons with Mental Illness INSTRUCTOR COURSE is designed to be an interactive five day, 40-hour class, which focuses on preparing attendees to teach future Interactions with Persons with Mental Illness biennium training blocks. Attendees will be given the skills and materials to return to their agencies and provide 4-8 hours of instruction in Mental Illness Interactions related topics, which ultimately meet state requirements.

In short, the 40-Hour Train the Trainer class has been designed to provide Train the Trainer certification to officers and other non-sworn personnel around the state of New Mexico. With this certification, individuals can provide both the basic and in-service training mandated in 2011.

The topics included in the class are designed to give attendees a basic foundation in law enforcement instruction as well as the specialized knowledge necessary for verbal de-escalation of people in crisis. During the course of the week-long class participants will gain knowledge regarding crises and how people respond or behave in crisis. The concept of mental illness and its effect on the verbal interaction will be addressed as well.

Participants are expected to actively engage in PowerPoint and lesson plan development, classroom instruction, and live scenario situations and facilitation. The class instructors will be current law enforcement officers, police psychologists, mental health providers, and retired law enforcement officers with extensive expertise and experience in verbal de-escalation and

This Class is a NMDPS NMLEA Accredited Class.

*It also meets & exceeds the mandatory requirements for
The Interactions with Persons with Mental Impairments
Class required in 2024-2025 biennium training.*

2024 SPONSORED Class Date

March 11-15th 2024 (SF, NM)

Class Times

8am-5pm

Monday-Friday

Class Cost

FREE

Class is sponsored by the NMLEA

Class Location

Santa Fe

NM Law Enforcement Academy
4491 Cerrillos Road
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Provider information

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Course Topics and Exercises

- Introduction to Interactions with Persons with Mental Illness
- The History of Mental Illness Interactions, the NMDPS Curriculum and the Train the Trainer Class
- Verbal De-escalation Basics
- The History of CIT Training Approaches
- Introduction to Abnormal Behavior
- Mental Illness 101
- Destigmatizing Mental Illness
- Communicating with People in Crisis
- Basic Active Listening Skills
- The Four Steps in Training
- Teaching Adult Learners
- Finding Instruction Resources
- Identifying Community Resources
- Giving effective Feedback and Evaluating with a Purpose
- Basic Scenario Development
- Organizing the Scenario Experience
- Training and Preparing Your Facilitator Pool
- Actor Selection, Training, and Preparation
- Running the Scenario Experience
- Tailoring your class to your audience
- Getting the most of a short timeframe.

*NOTE that this is not a CIT Instructor Course and this class does not prepare you to put on a CIT class.



The Course Director is Dr. Troy Rodgers

Dr. Rodgers is a police psychologist based in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He has a master's degree and a doctorate in clinical forensic psychology. He has worked with law enforcement officers for over 15 years. At the present time, Dr. Rodgers works as a consultant to over 140 local, state, and federal law enforcement, firefighter, ambulance, and corrections agencies.

Dr. Rodgers is a highly sought after trainer in the field of psychology and criminal justice. He is routinely utilized as an expert by multiple regional media outlets. Dr. Rodgers is also certified as a Professional Lecturer and Master Instructor by the New Mexico Department of Public Safety Training Academy.

Class Registration

To register online through the Acadis® Portal, have your Agency Training Coordinator follow the link below:

<https://nmlea.acadisonline.com>

*Agency Training Coordinators can register personnel through the Acadis® Portal. To view the listing, use the **Training and Events** menu on the left-side of the page, and select "**Available Training**".*

*You will see the class listing and a "**Register**" or "**Waitlist**" button to the right. If the "**Waitlist**" button is appearing, this indicates that the class is already at capacity and you will only be added to the waitlist.*

If you have any questions regarding the training, including questions about accommodations, or about registration status please call 505-827-9252 or email nmleatraining@dps.nm.gov.

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