

2017 Statewide Crisis Intervention Team Meeting
Holiday Inn Harrisburg/Hershey
March 23, 2017

Sessions Descriptions

The State of CIT in Pennsylvania

Moderator: Tracy Small

Members of various CIT teams from throughout the Commonwealth will discuss developing CIT refresher courses for special populations such as CIT-Veterans and CIT-Youth, as well as tips for building and sustaining a successful CIT program in the state of Pennsylvania.

Findings from a Multicounty Evaluation of CIT in Pennsylvania

Presenters: Edward P. Mulvey, Ph.D. and Carol A. Schubert, M.P.H.

This session will summarize findings from a PCCD-funded study of over 2,000 police incident reports from four Pennsylvania counties. We will describe differences in characteristics and outcomes for incidents with and without an individual with mental health concerns. We also examine the role that the presence of a CIT trained officer appears to play in the outcomes of these incidents. Finally, we present findings from analyses that look at how outcomes of the incident are related to the presence of a CIT officer once characteristics of the scene (e.g., behaviors of the subject) and characteristics of the police officer (e.g. officer years of experience) are taken into account.

Without a CIT Roadmap You Might Miss the “Welcome Sign”

Presenter: Michele Saunders, LCSW

Do you know where you are going? Whether you are an established CIT program, newly started or planning to start one, the question remains the same. Without a sound framework (roadmap) you may find your program lost, drifting off course, not sure where to go or staying too long in one place. This presentation will focus on articulating and reviewing the CIT Core Elements as the framework (roadmap) to reach a CIT destination as a Community program. Core Elements engage CIT to be “more” than just a training program. With a “*CIT Roadmap*” a community can move forward to build and structure a new CIT program, or improve their existing program for growth and sustainability. Be prepared to share, interact and learn together during this travel experience so that your final arrival destination is CIT the “Community”...Welcome to our CIT Program, you are here to stay!