



Northwest Illinois Criminal Justice Commission

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Psychology of Domestic Violence

DATE: March 9, 2021

Registration Ends: February 9, 2021

TIME: 8:00 AM—4:00 PM 8 Hours

LOCATION: Stewart Centre West, 2900 W. Pearl City Rd., Freeport IL 61032

INSTRUCTOR: Gail Sullivan, MA

All officers are mandated to receive this training

COURSE CONTENT: The police represent the front line in the service response to domestic violence. Law Enforcement has a unique perspective on this all too common social problem. The police are often asked to intervene in this life-long problem of citizens in a few minutes. Answering a domestic disturbance call is the second most dangerous call an officer can answer.

This training takes into consideration the frustration of multiple calls to one address, the disenchantment of not understanding the dynamics of the repeat victim and the efforts that are being put into place to hold all parties accountable. Understanding the dynamics of domestic violence is paramount to law enforcement when they are evaluating and interpreting evidence and interviews at the domestic violence scene. Maintaining a working and updated understanding of legal mandates regarding domestic violence is imperative to successful law enforcement. Law enforcement also needs a positive and essential relationship with other organizations whose mission is to assist domestic violence issues.

The successful law enforcement officer has working knowledge of all of the aspects of domestic violence ranging from a psychological, legal, forensic, social and prevention.

This workshop will provide the officer with the tools needed to successfully answer one of the most difficult calls in law enforcement. It will prepare the participant with skills from all aspects of this crime.

Workshop Content:

Psychological:

- o Psychology of domestic violence
- o Physical/psychological implications
- o Actions of abusers and victims
- o Long term effects upon victims and children
- o Dynamics of aggression and manipulation
- o Offender behavioral cycles
- o Unrealistic expectations of relationships
- o Power and control differential in domestic violence
- o Vicarious impact of domestic violence on officer

Legal:

- o Illinois statutes related to domestic violence 725 ILCS/115-7.4

- o Illinois Stalking statute and relationship to domestic violence

- o Illinois No Contact Stalking orders
- o Orders of Protection

Law Enforcement

- o Interpretation of injuries
- o Impact of police response
- o Impact of police non-response
- o Domestic violence victim centered investigations

Adjunct Agencies

- o Role of domestic violence advocates
- o Role of social services for prevention

Partial funding provided by Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board and MTU#1's request for certification of this course has been approved by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

REGISTRATION:

All registrations are received on the [MTU#1 website](#). Find Registration instructions [here](#)

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Instructor Gail P. Sullivan, MA graduated from Loyola University (BA) and DePaul University (MA) with honors. She has worked in the field of social services and criminal justice for the past 25 years in the private and public sector. She provides training for the Cook County Adult Probation Department, Illinois Crisis Intervention Team and Homeland Security, as well as MTUs across the state of Illinois.

This class has been submitted to ILETSB for approval in meeting mandatory training for:

Mandated Annually

Law Updates Use of Force (must include scenario based or similar approved)

Mandated once every 3 years (begin 1/1/16)

Civil Rights Constitutional and proper use of law enforcement authority

Cultural competency **Procedural Justice** **Human Rights**

Mandated once every 3 years (begin 1/1/17 all/ within 2 yrs. for investigators)

Sexual Assault Trauma Informed Response

Sexual Assault Trauma Informed Investigator

Mandated once every 3 years (begin?)

Mental Health Awareness

Mandated every 5 years (due by 1/1/2020)

Psychology of Domestic Violence

Mandated 32 hours every four years after initial training

Lead Homicide Investigator training