

CRISIS INTERVENTION TRAINING



This **40-hour training** is designed to prepare law enforcement officers to effectively and safely respond to individuals experiencing mental health crises. This comprehensive training covers de-escalation techniques, mental health awareness, local resource navigation, and practical scenario-based exercises.

L April 13-17, 2026
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Before April 5th
20 participants maximum

Our Location
128 INDUSTRIAL BLD. KEARNEYSVILLE, WV

Expert Instructors
Including law enforcement professionals, behavioral health providers, and community experts.

Service Credits
This training provides 40 in-service credits through LEPSIS.



Participants will:

-  Gain skills in de-escalation and crisis communication
-  Enhance their understanding of mental health and SUD
-  Engage in role-play scenarios and interactive exercises
-  Learn to connect individuals in crisis with appropriate community services



- Business casual attire; uniforms not required
- Drinks and snacks provided; break for lunch each day
- Full participation required; completion certificate awarded
- Active engagement expected throughout



Questions?

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This 8-hour Crisis Intervention Training provides an introductory, foundational, CIT-informed approach for law enforcement officers and first responders. Designed for full departments and agencies, the training focuses on recognizing mental health and substance-related crises, understanding the role of law enforcement within the crisis response system, and applying basic de-escalation and communication principles. Participants will gain practical insight into crisis encounters and learn how to identify appropriate referral and diversion options within their community. This course supports agency-wide crisis response capacity and serves as a foundational stepping stone toward the 40-hour CIT certification.



March 19, 2026
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Before March 11th
20 participants maximum



Our Location
128 INDUSTRIAL BLD. KEARNEYSVILLE, WV



Expert Instructors

CIT International
Certified Trainers



Service Credits

This training provides 8 in-service credits through LEPSIS.

Participants will:



Develop foundational skills to recognize and safely respond to behavioral health and substance-related crises



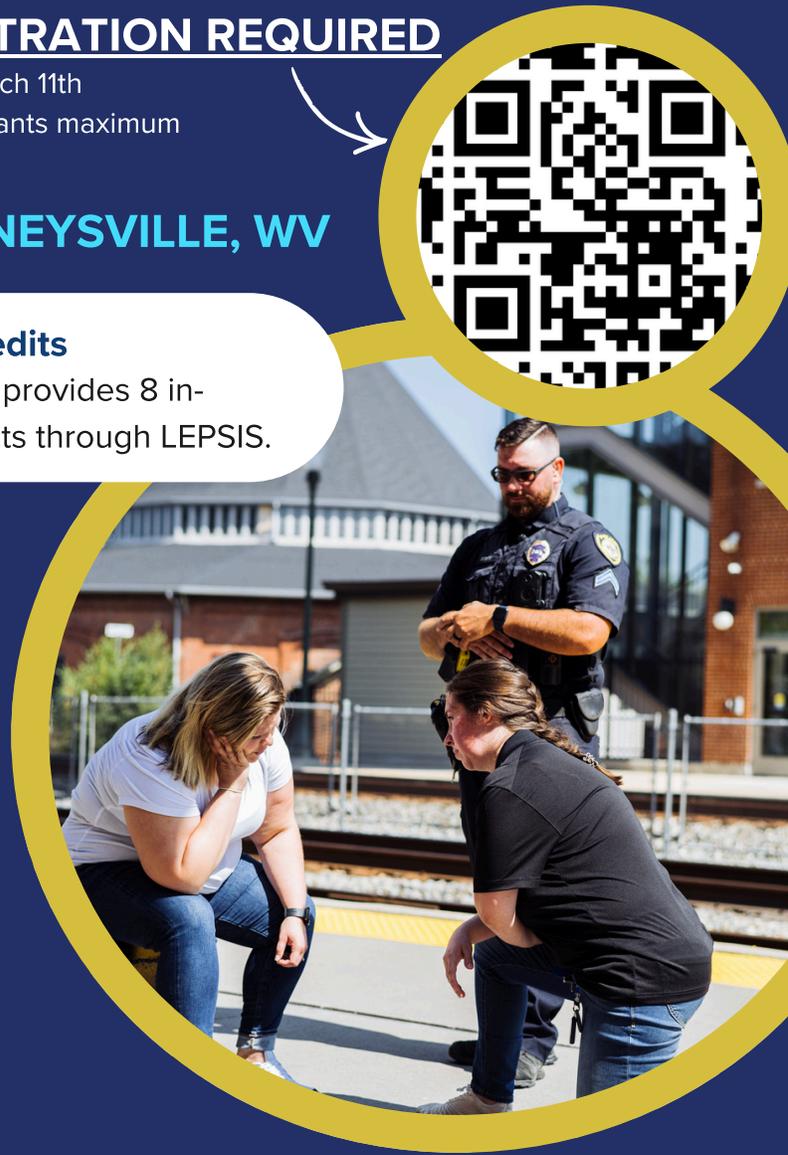
Increase awareness of mental health and substance use disorder indicators commonly encountered in the field



Apply basic de-escalation principles through guided, scenario-based decision-making



Learn how to identify referral and diversion options within the local crisis response system



*This 8-hour training provides a foundational, CIT-informed approach and does not replace the 40-hour Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) certification.

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