

TREATING FIRE SERVICE MEMBERS IN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SETTINGS

Date: Facility: Address:

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Hosted by the International Association of Fire Fighters

This is a two-day, in-person training designed for mental health clinicians who are interested in working with fire service members. This training is ideal for licensed mental health clinicians working in private practice, behavioral health treatment programs, employee assistance programs, or those interested in collaboration with fire department peer support teams. Clinicians will develop best practices for working with fire service members through a combination of traditional classroom instruction and hands-on fire ground training.



- Understand common behavioral health challenges in the fire service and barriers to help.
- Identify foundational principles for treating fire service members.
- Build a successful therapeutic alliance with a fire service client.
- Apply best practices to achieve positive treatment outcomes with a fire service client.
- Establish an effective connection with your local fire department or union.
- Gain direct exposure to the physical and psychological stress of fire and rescue operations through live fire ground training.

BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE IAFF

This course is delivered by the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), the largest labor union for fire service professionals, representing over 350,000 members in the United States and Canada. The classroom portion will be delivered by a licensed mental health clinician and a professional fire fighter with seasoned behavioral health experience.

WHAT TO EXPECT

This experience will safely expose clinicians to fire and rescue operations through participation in live, simulated training on the fire ground. Students will participate in four different fire and rescue scenarios and will be provided required personal protective equipment. By spending the day in a fire fighter's shoes, clinicians will be uniquely prepared to understand the fire service client's daily experience and occupational stressors. Clinicians who complete this two-day training will receive 12 continuing education hours.

TRAINING PREREQUISITE

Prior to attending this training, clinicians must complete the online prerequisite, <u>Understanding the Fire Service for Mental Health Clinicians</u>. This is a free two-hour, online, self-paced course that is approved for 1.5 credits from the National Association of Social Work (NASW).



This program is Approved by the National Association of Social Workers (Approval # 886882120-4061) for 12 continuing education contact hours.



Treating Fire Fighters in Behavioral Health Settings has been approved by NBCC for NBCC credit. The International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) is solely responsible for all aspects of the program. NBCC Approval No. SP-4916.

PREREGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Click here to register

Cost: \$325 Deadline:

Questions?Host Point of Contact:

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