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Welcome to another issue of the Nebraska Disaster Behavioral Health Newsletter. In this issue you will find updates on activities around the state and country. Please visit our website at: http://disastermh.nebraska.edu/

Upcoming Events

September 24 | 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Psychological First Aid class in Bellevue, NE. Register here.

October 8 | 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Psychological First Aid class in Bellevue, NE. Register here.

October 22 | 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Psychological First Aid class in Kearney, NE. Contact Suzanna Davis for more information 308.237.5113 ex 243

Save the Date: October 4, 2013

ATAP Fall Seminar in Lincoln, Nebraska

The 2013 Great Plains Chapter of the Association of Threat Assessment Professionals (ATAP) Fall Seminar: Enhancing Threat Assessment Management and Practice will be held October 4 in Lincoln, Nebraska.

This seminar focuses on improving essential components of a threat assessment and management process, grounded in current empirical knowledge, best practice, and published standards and guidelines for organizational settings. In addition to reviewing the psychological and behavioral process of human violence, participants will learn proven, practical ways to increase the depth of assessment and management practices.

Participants will also be introduced to Enhanced Cognitive Interviewing, an interviewing methodology that increases investigative effectiveness, not only in violence assessment, but in all forms of investigation.

Presenter: James S. Cawood, CPP

Mr. Cawood is President of Factor One (a California based corporation specializing in violence risk assessment and management, threat assessment, behavioral analysis, security consulting, and investigations). Mr. Cawood has worked in the area of threat and violence risk assessment and management, behavioral analysis, violence prevention, security analysis, and incident resolution for more than 25 years.

Registration and additional information can be accessed at:

http://ppcta.unl.edu/ctap/

Resource Spotlight: Disaster Response Apps

GO2AID, PFA Mobile, and ASAP are all new apps to be available soon for your use

GO2AID

Put SAMHSA behavioral health response resources at your fingertips! "SAMHSA's GO2AID mobile app makes it easy to provide quality support to survivors. Users will bε

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- description from SAMHSA website

PFA Mobile

"Following disasters or emergencies, the PFA Mobile™ app can assist responders who provide Psychological First Aid (PFA) to adults, families, and children."

- description from NCTSN website

NOTE: PFA Mobile ™ is not intended to replace PFA training, but to be used as one of many resources that PFA-trained responders can access before, during, and after a disaster response

ASAP

"The Active Shooter Action Plan™ app for iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch, and Android devices is designed to assist individuals and organizations recognize the signs, respond to the situation, and help facilitate the recovery phase of an Active Shooter incident."

- description from ASAP website



Photo courtesy of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN).

BE PREPARED AWARDS

2013 Awards presented at the State Capitol

On September 20th, Lieutenant Governor Heidemann presented the 2013 BE PREPARED AWARDS at the State Capitol in Lincoln. The Lt. Governor's BE PREPARED AWARDS celebrate excellence by Nebraskans in making their communities safer through service focused on preparedness, response, recovery, leadership, and assistance related to disaster, emergency and/or crisis. The BE PREPARED AWARDS were sponsored by the Nebraska Citizen Corps Program and the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency and build upon the Lt. Governor's role as the Nebraska Director of Homeland Security.

Those being honored at the 2013 BE PREPARED AWARDS were:

- Elain Fraiser and the Citizens of Dundy County (Local Hero Award)
- Denise Kollath, Columbus (Excellence in Community Preparation)
- LincUP, North Platte (Excellence in Risk Communication)
- Larry Mattson, Funk (Excellence in Volunteer Preparedness Education and Outreach)
- Central Nebraska Medical Reserve Corps (Citizen Corps Partner Program of the Year
- Patti Motl, Omaha (Citizen Corps Volunteer of the Year)
- Hall County Citizen Corps (Citizen Corps Council of the Year)

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