Managing School Crisis
Initial Two-Day Team Training

MANAGING SCHOOL CRISIS
This course is designed to prepare schools for the inevitable crises that occur within schools and/or that affect those in schools. The training will reflect on the three most common phases of a crisis: pre-crisis planning, acute crisis response and post-crisis activities. Special attention will be given to the most common pitfalls (those that pose the most threat to school personnel from a liability standpoint) associated with crisis response activities.

Participants of this training will be introduced to the Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) framework and specific intervention techniques that can easily be applied within the school setting. These intervention techniques are research-informed and widely recognized for their effectiveness. Participants will be given opportunities to explore the elements of effective crisis management through multiple group activities.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND TRAINING
School Social Workers, School Counselors, School Nurses, School Psychologists, and other school mental health professionals are usually the types of positions that comprise a School Crisis Response Team.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS
- Prevalence and nature of school crisis
- Traumatic stress on learning and school milieu
- Major components, and specific goals of crisis intervention and crisis management
- Standard of Care as it relates to school crisis management
- CISM as a model of crisis intervention
- Group intervention techniques for school personnel
- Protocol used for large incidents and how to respond to and manage a large-scale incident

TRAINING SPECS and COST
Due to the nature of the training, the maximum number of participants for a group training is 35. The cost for the two-day training is $4,000. This training fee includes travel and lodging for the trainer, course certification, and handbook/certificate for each participant. Training host organization is responsible for securing a training location and refreshments for training participants.

Note: The training fee equates to approximately $115 per person (assuming 35 participants).

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