

# Basic CIT-FO Certification Class

## Class Overview

The Basic Crisis Intervention Class (CIT-FO) is designed to be an interactive five day, 40-hour class, which addresses basic verbal de-escalation skills. It is designed for sworn law enforcement officers. During the course of the week-long class participants will gain knowledge regarding crises and how people respond or behave in crisis. The concept of mental illness and its effect on the verbal interaction will be addressed as well.

Participants are expected to actively engage in over ten hours of live scenario situations. One of our goals is to teach officers about crises and mental illness in order to improve their ability and confidence to predict and respond to abnormal behaviors. We believe that if you can predict or anticipate behavior with some degree of accuracy you can become a safer officer.

Through the class activities participants will gain an overall understanding that CIT is designed to be an added tool for the Law Enforcement Officer's tool belt. It is not designed to be a replacement for current skills or other tools. During the week we will identify key issues and history that have prompted law enforcement agencies to pursue more innovative approaches (such as officer safety, decrease in chronic callers, etc.) to crisis management such as CIT.

The class instructors will be current law enforcement officers, police psychologists, mental health providers, and retired law enforcement officers with extensive expertise and experience in verbal de-escalation and crisis management.

## Upcoming 2022 Class Dates

- (1) March 21-25<sup>th</sup> 2022 (Alb. NM)
- (2) May 9-13<sup>th</sup> 2022 (Alb. NM)
- (3) June 20-24<sup>th</sup> 2022 (Alb. NM)
- (4) July 11-15<sup>th</sup> 2022 (Alb. NM)
- (5) November 14-18<sup>th</sup> 2022 (Alb. NM)

## Class Times

8am-5pm each day

## Class Cost

\$600 per person  
Group discounts available

## Class Location

8341 Washington St. NE.  
Albuquerque, NM 87199  
(One Block South of Alameda and  
one block west of Jefferson)

## Close Lodging Options

Holiday Inn Express and Suites  
505-797-2291  
Courtyard by Marriott  
505-823-1919  
Albuquerque Marriott Pyramid  
505-821-3333  
Drury Inn and Suites  
505-341-3600

*This Class is a NMDPS NMLEA Accredited Class.  
It also meets & exceeds the mandatory requirements for  
Interactions with Person with Mental Illness (formerly  
HB93) officer biennium training.*

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## Course Topics and Exercises

- Introduction to the CIT Approach
- The History of CIT
- The Reduction of Civil Liability Through CIT Training
- Increased Public Support Through a CIT Approach
- Abnormal and Deviant Behavior
- Destigmatizing Mental Illness
- Communicating with People in Crisis
- Mood Disorders, Suicide, and Suicide-By-Cop
- Anxiety Disorders and PTSD
- Psychotic Disorders
- Basic Active Listening Skills
- Personality Disorders
- Legal Updates and the NM Mental Health Code (43-1-10)
- Autism, Dementia, Alzheimer's, Developmental Disability, and TBI
- Psychotropic Medications
- Identifying Community Resources
- Working with Consumers
- Working with the Homeless Population
- Practical CIT Strategy and Basic Threat Assessment
- Applied CIT Communication Skills
- How Drugs and Alcohol Affect People in Crisis
- Officer Assault trends and CIT Officer Safety
- CIT Officer Expectations
- Setting up and Maintaining a CIT Program
- And Over 10 Hours of Live Scenario Experience



### *The Course Director is Dr. Troy Rodgers*

Dr. Rodgers is a police psychologist based in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He has a master's degree and a doctorate in clinical forensic psychology. He has worked with law enforcement officers for over 15 years. At the present time, Dr. Rodgers works as a consultant to over 140 local, state, and federal law enforcement, firefighter, ambulance, and corrections agencies.

Dr. Rodgers is a highly sought after trainer in the field of psychology and criminal justice. He is routinely utilized as an expert by multiple regional media outlets. Dr. Rodgers is also certified as a Professional Lecturer and Master Instructor by the New Mexico Department of Public Safety Training Academy.

### **Class Registration**

To register, please fill out this registration form for all attendees and either fax (505-888-5498), mail (PO Box 92002, Albuquerque NM. 87199), or email ([t.rodgers@pspg-nm.com](mailto:t.rodgers@pspg-nm.com)) it in. If you have any questions please call 505-888-5499. Note that we can provide an invoice or quote if one is needed. Checks, purchase orders, etc. should be made out to **PSPG**.

Name of Attendee: \_\_\_\_\_

Department or Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Class Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Method: Check \_\_\_\_\_ Purchase Order \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Card Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Card Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*There is a \$100 No Show/Late Cancellation fee (less than 14 days before an event) for all PSPG classes. No fee will be charged if you reschedule for a future class.**

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