



FIRST RESPONDERS

WHY MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID?

Mental Health First Aid for First Responders teaches you how to **identify**, **understand and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders.** This training gives you the skills you need to reach out and provide initial support to someone who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem and help connect them to the appropriate care. It focuses on the unique experiences and needs of first responder personnel and is a valuable resource that can make a difference in their lives, their coworkers' and families' lives, and the communities they serve.

WHAT IT COVERS

- A discussion of first responder culture, stigma and their relevance to the topic of mental health.
- Outreach tactics to respond to individuals experiencing a mental health crisis
- A discussion of the specific risk factors faced by many first responders and their families.
- A review of common mental health resources for first responders, their families and those who support them.

FREE

for <u>Alabama</u> First Responders

- 100% IN PERSON- interactive
- Earn 3-year CERTIFICATION
- Awarded 8.0 CEUs
- Course MATERIALS & Manual
- Local & National RESOURCES

REGISTER TODAY!

Date and Time: Tuesday, May 7 8:30am-3:30pm

Location: Helena Sports Complex 300 Ruffin Road, Helena, AL 35080

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Register Here:

https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/97883f9f53c24dbfa305de3c0a3eb6cc

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