

Jailer/Deputy Jailer In-service Training
Taylor County Fire Department
1563 Greensburg Road
Campbellsville, KY 42718
March 27th, 28th 29th, 30th, 2023

8:00am (EST) Registration (DAY ONE)

8:30am - 10:00am Intake Screening: Digging for Hidden Dangers- Tracey Reed, Instructor

This course will emphasize the significance of an effective receiving screening at intake and outline the key requirements, observations, and inquiries correctional staff should be making during this process to avoid potential medical emergencies, suicide attempts, injuries to staff/inmates, and even death. In addition, we will discuss various tips on how to improve your staff's interview & observation skills during this process to improve the accuracy of information they obtain from the inmates at this time. Finally, we will discuss how using the information uncovered during this process can assist jail staff in making timely referrals to either your medical/mental health provider and how this information can assist in making an initial housing assignment.

10:00am-11:30am The Basics of Intoxication & Withdrawal for Correctional Officers- Tracey Reed, Instructor

Day in and day out, jails across the United States admit an alarming number of people who are either under the influence of drugs/alcohol or who are suffering from some sort of addiction. Because it is the responsibility of custody staff to ensure that these individuals are assessed and provided with proper care, it is imperative that they are trained in recognizing when an inmate needs medical attention. In this class, we will review some of the more commonly known substances and explore the effects of both intoxication & withdrawal that are associated with them. This class is intended to provide custody staff with the basics needed in identifying behaviors that would prompt them to seek medical or mental health care.

11:30am-12:00pm Lunch will be provided courtesy of Bobby Dunbar, Russell County Jailer

12:00pm- 1:00pm Legal Updates & Best Practices for Corrections Officers- Jeff Carter, Instructor

Jail Officers have different concerns for personal liability than an officer who is working patrol. The subjects are already in custody, so the potential legal issues of probable cause and search warrants, are not at the forefront of your concerns with daily interactions with inmates. We will discuss the current parameters established by the courts when dealing with: Use of Force, Medical Care, Strip Searches, Suicides, and the dreaded Grievance Mechanism. This class will offer recommendations on defending litigation "when" not "if" they knock on our door.

1:00pm -3:00pm Suicide Awareness- Tracey Reed, Instructor

The jail environment embodies fear, distrust, lack of control, isolation, and shame and is often dehumanizing. Coping with entering this environment, inmates often feel overwhelmed and hopeless, leading some of them to choose suicide as a way to escape. Furthermore, offenders are likely to have several risk factors that predispose them to suicidal behavior, including preexisting thought disorders, alcohol or substance abuse problems, mood disorders, and previous suicide attempt histories.

In this course, we will discuss the prevalence of suicide for incarcerated adults and the factors associated with suicide risk. We will address how important it is for your agency to establish protocols for a suicide prevention & intervention program, making sure to include provisions for ensuring that all staff are adequately trained on those protocols.

3:00pm – 5:00pm PREA Law and Transgender Inmates - Jeff Carter, Instructor

In a country that incarcerates more of its people than any other in the world, transgender people are more likely to be stopped and questioned by police, engage in survival crimes such as sex work, end up behind bars, and more likely to face abuse behind bars. This training will begin with an over-view of the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), then proceed into providing corrections practitioners an insight on properly dealing with the issues we face in providing a safe and secure environment for transgender inmates, while satisfying the requirements brought forth with PREA.

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8:00am -12:00am Use of Force- Response to Inmate Aggression- Jeff Carter, Instructor

As Corrections Officers we face many challenges in dealing with the inmate population. Use of Force is utilized in our nations prisons and jails each day. It is our responsibility from the top down to ensure the force we use is consistent with not only our own policies but current case law as well. This class will cover why "Use of Force" is one of the top two reasons Jails and Prisons face lawsuits around the nation and "Best Practices" we can train and implement to be successful defending these legal challenges.

12:00pm-12:30pm Lunch will be provided courtesy of Bobby Dunbar, Russell County Jailer

12:30pm-1:30pm A Duty to Protect: Why Classification is Important- Tracey Reed, Instructor

Classification of arrestees upon entry into a jail is an important aspect of safety and security of the jail, its staff, and other prisoners. Many of the cases which raise issues on classification are brought as the result of inmate-on-inmate assaults. Inmates also have filed lawsuits alleging that their rights have been violated by a discriminatory classification scheme. In these cases, the jail's policy, and practices with respect to inmate classification and housing plans are the subject of scrutiny.

This course will provide an overview of the factors involved in the classification process and how it is useful in understanding how various decisions are made, points where problems may arise, and procedures that could be enhanced.

1:30pm- 2:30pm Cell Searches, Shakedowns and Body Scanners – Jeff Carter, Instructor

Jail Safety and Security is the top priority for every agency in order to provide a safe working environment for staff, and safe living environment for Offenders. Keeping contraband out of our facilities is just one of the tactics we use to accomplish that task. Contraband enters a correctional facility in various ways. This training will cover areas such as; Cell Searches & Shakedowns, Pat, Frisk & Strip Searches, Mail Procedures, Perimeter Checks, Vehicle Searches, and ends with Documenting and sound Policy recommendations to further prepare staff to combat the never-ending mission of limiting contraband within our facilities.

2:30pm – 3:30pm Avoiding Offender Manipulation, Tracey Reed, Instructor

Throughout the career of any correctional officer, there is a strong likelihood that an offender(s) will attempt to manipulate them in some way. This applies to officers whether they are seasoned or a "newbie". This course is intended to make officers aware of the process used by offenders to manipulate them to get them to do what they want. At the conclusion of this course, you will be able to Identify ways inmates manipulate officers, understand the different communications strategies correctional officers can use to prevent inmate manipulation, and learn four (4) ways officers can use to address inmate manipulation.

3:30pm – 5:00pm Patrolling, Observations, & Safety Checks: Are They Really that Important? Jeff Carter, Instructor

One of the most important duties required of a correctional officer is to ensure the safety of all inmates under their charge. The most effective way to accomplish this is by performing regular, but staggered safety/observation checks. In most instances, when agencies are faced with litigation, their policy and practices related to these duties are questioned. In this class, we will review why and how these checks are completed properly in order to lessen liability.