



# MENTAL HEALTH **FIRST AID**

#### WHY MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID?

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among adults.

On average,

people die by suicide every day.

Source: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

From 1999 to 2019,

people died from drug overdoses.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

**Nearly** 

in the U.S. lives with a mental illness.

Source: National Institute of Mental Health

# WHO NEEDS TO KNOW MENTAL **HEALTH FIRST AID**

- Employers.
- · Police officers.
- Hospital staff.
- First responders.
- Caring individuals.

### WHAT IT COVERS

- · Common signs and symptoms of mental health challenges.
- Common signs and symptoms of substance use challenges.
- How to interact with a person in crisis.
- How to connect a person with help.
- Expanded content on trauma, substance use and self-care.

#### **COURSE FORMAT & HOW TO REGISTER**

Training 2,025 leaders by 10/10/25. Join GO-BE WELL 2025 Training Days Thu., Fri., or Sat. | 10AM-4:00PM Register up to 48 hours prior to training date.

• Blended – Learners complete a 2-hour, self-paced online course, and participate in a 4.5- to 5.5-hour, Instructor-led training. This instructor led training is a Zoom video conference.

Registration: www.imwell.network/services \$100.00 per person (includes materials + 3 year certification)

OR Contact: T. Rice at mhfa@imwell.network

**Subject Line: GO BE WELL 2025** 

Learn how to respond with the Mental Health First Aid Action Plan (ALGEE):

- A ssess for risk of suicide or harm.
- **III** isten nonjudgmentally.
- **G** ive reassurance and information.
- **E** ncourage appropriate professional help.
- **E** ncourage self-help and other support strategies.

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