

PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS

★ **Mandated Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse**

In this program, Crime Victims Council combines their expertise of working with victims of childhood abuse and their experience of partnering with criminal justice, medical, and community systems into this highly informative training for professionals who work with children. Training pieces include the history of the Child Protective Services law, defining the 9 categories of abuse, signs and symptoms of victimization, handling disclosures, and reporting suspected abuse to ChildLine. This training is certified by the PA Department of Education and the PA Department of Human Services, and will satisfy the Act 126 and Act 31 mandates (2 or 3 hours).

★ **Bullying, Cyberbullying, and Victimization**

This informative and thought-provoking training focuses on understanding the characteristics of bullying, cyberbullying, and relational aggression. A depiction of the roles youth play in bullying behavior (bully, victim, bystander), as well as the short and long-term effects for both victims and those who bully will be provided through clips from the 2011 film "Bully". In addition, participants will have an opportunity to discuss barriers and effective methods of adult intervention strategies (1 hour).

★ **Sexual Violence Risk Reduction and Awareness**

This training encompasses much of what Crime Victims Council stands for. Information on multiple forms of sexual violence as well as sexual coercion will be provided. Risk reduction techniques for both professionals and their clients/students will be discussed. This training also focusses on examining critical short-term and long-term effects that victims of sexual violence may experience. Common reactions of significant others and appropriate active and reflective listening skills will give participants insight into the best way to support victims in a compassionate and professional manner. In addition, information about community-based resources and links to support organizations will be provided (1 hour).

★ **Healing and Hope: Crime Victims Council of the Lehigh Valley**

The Crime Victims Council of the Lehigh Valley has been in the business of offering healing and hope to victims since 1973. This program focuses on the important services available to all victims in Lehigh and Northampton counties. An overview of victimization, the emotional aftermath of crime and trauma, and specific ways schools, businesses, and community organizations can partner with the Crime Victims Council will be provided (30-45 minutes).

The programs described are provided at NO COST. All of our programs can be adjusted to suit the needs of the specific group. If available, we do need technology for the use of PowerPoint during the program.



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