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The Department of Justice's National Institute of Corrections (NIC) spearheaded the development of a Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training for correctional officers and staff to address the challenges presented by the growing number of arrestees and inmates with mental health issues in jails and prisons across the country.

Officers will obtain useful knowledge and interaction skills necessary to effectively identify and interact with inmates displaying signs and symptoms of mental health disorders. Some inmates who display acute behavioral disturbances require intervention. Officers will improve their ability to recognize potential suicidal behavior and effectively respond to this and other emergencies.

The course length will be 24 hours over three consecutive days. The course will consist of presentations, lectures, discussions, role play and scenarios.

Board Chairman Anthony Vainieri and the Hudson County Board of Commissioners goal is to provide a rich, informative and growth oriented training experience to correction officers. They are also committed to providing the necessary resources to help those individuals who are dealing with issues pertaining to mental illness.

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