

# TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

Jail Mental Health Officer Course (TCOLE 5900) 40-hour Class Hosted by Hardin County Sheriff's Office and LIT Regional Police Academy October 21-25, 2024

### **Course Description:**

This course is designed to certify the student (detention officer) as a Jail Mental Health Officer (Special Officer for Mental Health Assignment under 1701.404 of the Texas Occupations Code). In a jail setting, a Jail Mental Health Officer typically serves as a liaison between the jail and the court and medical/mental health providers. They are generally called upon to assist in de-escalating persons in mental crisis, coordinating care, and assisting with continuity of care as requested.

The course is delivered through a combination of classroom lecture, group discussion and activities, and one-on-one scenario role-play. It covers learning objectives such as understanding common mental disorders, de-escalating people with mental disorders, resources available to assist with the continuity of care, and individual self-care.

Limited spots available.

#### **Class Presented by:**

Melvin G. Bowser, Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (JMHO Master Trainer) Cpt. Scott Delacerda, Hardin County Sheriff's Office (Training Coordinator) Assisted by other subject matter experts.

#### Location:

LIT Multi-Purpose Building located at 805 E. Lavaca St. Rm 262 Beaumont, Texas 77705.

## For registration information, please click <u>HERE</u> and complete the form.

For questions, contact Melvin G. Bowser at melvin.bowser@tcjs.state.tx.us