



PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

An Introduction to Resiliency for Prosecutors

June 18, 2024
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

WEBINAR

Program Summary

This program is an introduction to the importance of resiliency for prosecutors. The presenter will discuss the essential role of wellness programming in the face of prosecutors' challenging and stressful work and provide information on existing resiliency programs. She will detail the logistics of starting a resiliency program, including obtaining funding and fostering buy in from all levels of an organization, and the benefits of building employee resiliency before stressful events occur.

Eligibility

This program is open to County Prosecutors and Assistant Prosecutors, Assistant and Deputy Attorneys General in the Department of Law and Public Safety's Division of Criminal Justice.

Faculty

Renee T. White is a Supervising Assistant Prosecutor in the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office, where she is the Director of the Special Offenders Unit (SOU) and Coordinator of the Prosecutor-Led Mental Health and Veterans Diversion Programs. The SOU handles mental health and veterans' diversion, ID/DD matters, competency, NGRI, and KROL matters and crisis related duty calls. As the Supervising Assistant Prosecutor for the SOU, Ms. White is one of the Duty to Warn and Extreme Risk Protective Order designees for her office. Additionally, she is the Crisis Intervention Team Training (CIT) Law Enforcement Coordinator and the Chief Resiliency Officer for Ocean County. Ms. White is also a registered nurse who has worked in and out of emergency departments within major corporate healthcare systems. She currently works at CityMD in Lacey Township, NJ as an ANCC board certified Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP-BC) and is the owner and practitioner for her own behavioral health practice, Micrennic Health and Wellness, in Little Egg Harbor, NJ. She is also the Rotation Director/Supervisor for PGY-2 Forensic Psychiatry

Residents at Hackensack School of Medicine. Ms. White is a Forensic Nurse-Certified in Sexual Assault (FN-CSA) and an ANCC board certified Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP-BC). Ms. White earned a B.S. in Criminal Justice and History from Rutgers University, a J.D. from Widener University School of Law and an A.A.S. from Ocean County College. She also holds an MSN from Rutgers University, a post-masters certificate from Johns Hopkins University and a Doctorate in Nursing Practice from Yale University.

CLE Credit

NJ CLE Credit: This program has been approved by the Board on Continuing Legal Education of the Supreme Court of New Jersey for 1.0 hours of Alternative Verifiable Learning Format (AVF) total CLE credit. Of these, 1.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism.

Registration

Those who are eligible to apply should use the Zoom Webinar registration link in the Program Announcement email. Students who are registered will receive a confirmation email with a link to access the program.

Students must download Zoom before the webinar in order for the AGAI to record polling responses that are required for attendance verification and CLE credit.

The AGAI will be unable to verify attendance or grant CLE credit to students who have not downloaded Zoom before the webinar.

Agenda

12:30 – 12:50

Buy-in, importance of wellness programming, IACP recommendations, existing programs.

12:50 – 12:55 - Break

12:55 – 1:10

Logistics of starting a wellness/resiliency program, grant funding, engaging the team.

1:10 – 1:15 – Break

1:15-1:30

Policy Considerations, fostering change from the top down, dealing with tragic outcomes on the front end vs. after disaster happens, addressing executive staff.