



Texas Police Trainers LLC Mental Health Officer Course (#4201)



Course Description: This class is designed to certify an individual to be a statewide resource as a mental health officer (MHO), per Texas Occupations Code 1701.404, and the TCOLE Rule §221.11. An MHO assists responding law enforcement officers determine, if and what, actions can be taken regarding the individual(s)'s 4th Amendment rights, due to the individual(s)'s incapacitation caused by their mental health crisis. This course certifies an individual on how to identify applicable situations for intervention, appropriate local resources for the demographics of the jurisdiction, and best practices on building resource/community connections.

This course does not certify the applicant as a mental health care expert or mental health care service provider. This class is to achieve a voluntary and elite designation. The requirements to achieve this elite and voluntary designation reflect the gravity of the duties.

Topics covered:

- Unit 1: Background and Context
- Unit 2: Legal Responsibilities
- Unit 3: Resources and Networking

Who should attend: Texas Peace Officers and Jailers

Course information:

- Host Agency:** Texas Medical Center Police Department
- Training Location:** 7255 Helix Park Ave, Houston, TX 77030 (Hermann Hall second floor)
- Course Date:** March 25-27, 2025
- Time:** 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
- Length of course:** 24 hours (Training hours will be reported by CLEAT)
- Cost per attendee:** Agency contract fee
- Student Equipment:** Laptop and USB thumb drive required.

To register, [click here](#) or go to <https://texaspolice trainers.com/?p=32738>. You can give us a call at 512-766-0659 to pay by phone or to receive an invoice.

Hotel: Holiday Inn Houston S - NRG Area - Med Ctr, 8111 Kirby Dr., Houston, TX. **To receive our Corporate Discount, make your reservation through Texas Police Trainers at 512-766- 0659.**

To obtain the Mental Health Officer Proficiency Certification

Student Prerequisites (TCOLE Rule §221.11)

(a) To qualify for a mental health officer proficiency certificate, an applicant must meet the following requirements:

- (1) currently appointed as a peace officer, county jailer, or justice of the peace;
- (2) at least two years' experience as a peace officer, county jailer, or justice of the peace;
- (3) if not currently a commissioned peace officer or county jailer, an applicant must meet the current enrollment standards;
- (4) if an applicant is a commissioned peace officer or county jailer, an applicant must not ever have had a license or certificate issued by the commission suspended or revoked;
- (5) if an applicant is a commissioned peace officer or county jailer, an applicant must have met the continuing education requirements for the previous training cycle;
- (6) successful completion of a training course in emergency first aid and lifesaving techniques (Red Cross or equivalent); and
- (7) successful completion of the current mental health officer training course and pass the approved examination for mental health officer proficiency.

(b) The effective date of this section is January 14, 2010.

Additionally, the student must have taken:

- De-escalation (TCOLE Course #1849) AND
- Crisis Intervention Training (TCOLE Course #1850) OR Mental Health for Jailers (TCOLE Course #4900)

Please note: Peace officers who completed the Basic Peace Officer Course after 2019 (BPOC 1000667, 1000696, 1000720), will have both 1849 and 1850 and meet the enrollment requirements.

About the Instructor: Ivory Lartigue

Ivory Lartigue began his law enforcement career in 1996 when he enlisted in the United States Air Force and was honorably discharged. He served as a military police officer while stationed in multiple locations. He began instructing new soldiers during his military career while serving as a military police officer. Ivory Lartigue has a master's degree in criminal justice.

Ivory began his TCOLE peace officer career in 2008 and eventually received his Master Peace Officer Proficiency Certification and the TCOLE Advanced Instructor Proficiency Certification. He has worked as a peace officer for a municipal agency, college campus and an independent school district.

Ivory has attended over 250 hours of Mental Health Officer classroom instruction along with multiple hours of other mental health and de-escalation training.

Ivory currently instructs Mental Health Officer Course (#4201), Crisis Intervention Training Update (#3843), Crisis Intervention Training (#1850), De-escalation Techniques (#1849), Basic Instructor Course (#1014), Advanced Instructor Course (#1017) and School Base Law Enforcement (#4064).

