

Office on Violence Against Women Free Training

Topeka Police Departments, Regional Training Center, 2722 SW Topeka Blvd.
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Investigations for Law Enforcement: *A Trauma-Informed Approach*

ABOUT THE COURSE:

Course material will make evident that when law enforcement incorporate trauma-informed core principles and strategies into investigations, these principles and strategies can become standard practice within law enforcement agencies. As practices become standard and departmental culture evolves, community policing efforts will become more effective, thus increasing cooperation between sexual assault victims and law enforcement.

The course introduces learners to trauma-informed approaches and attributes, creating a broader awareness of the importance and nuances of trauma-informed responsive policing in service to building trust in victims — including in marginalized communities — and increasing sexual assault prosecution and convictions.

This course integrates adult learning principles with participatory leadership values and strategies to build upon the expertise of the professional-level participants while modeling engagement strategies.

Module 1: Introduction

Module 2: Foundational Principles of Sexual Assault Investigations

Module 3: Trauma-Informed Response to Victims

Module 4: Key Strategies for Successful Sexual Assault Investigations

Module 5: Presenting Your Case to the Prosecutor

Module 6: Wrap It All Up

The course is instructed by a highly qualified two-person team; bringing the perspective of law enforcement and an allied profession.

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