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## CENTER FOR PUBLIC SAFETY INNOVATION

#### Free De-Escalation Training Opportunity

#### Autism Safety 101— Autism and the Law Enforcement Response

Autism and the Law Enforcement Response training course will provide law enforcement personnel with a basic understanding of autism and how individuals with autism behave, communicate, and react in various situations. Furthermore, it will address high-risk and crisis incidents and provide officers with tips and strategies to defuse and deescalate the situation. Additionally, it will address how to conduct interviews involving victims, witnesses, and suspects who have autism.

#### Who Should Attend: Law Enforcement

#### Instructor: Bart Barta

Autism and the Law Enforcement Response is instructed by Bart Barta. Bart is a retired law enforcement commander with more than 31 years of experience as a former SWAT and Crisis Management Team (Hostage Negations) Commander. Bart's last assignment was serving as the commander of the Coral Gables Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division, where he was responsible for managing the investigation of all violent and non-violent crimes. He is recognized as a subject matter expert by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), and in 2017 he was selected to contribute to the development of autism curriculum for officers in the state of Florida. He is also a nationally recognized instructor who has trained more than 14,000 officers to interact with people who have autism successfully. For six years, Bart served as a member of the University of Miami-Nova Southeastern University's Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) Constituency Board.

#### Register here: https://web.spcollege.edu/survey/37903

**Training Address:** Daytona State College Advanced Technology College 1770 Technology Blvd. Daytona Beach, FL 32117



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<u>General Information</u> Date: June 6, 2025 Contact Hours: 8 Time: 8 am - 5 pm Location: Daytona Beach, FL



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