



Coming Together: First Response to B.C.'s Mental Health Crisis

A one-day conference to provide a voice to mental health consumers and their families, facilitate interagency communication, explore evidence-based research and promote best practices.

When: Wednesday, October 6, 2010 from 9am to 5pm.

Where: The Theatre (on main floor), Justice Institute of British Columbia, 715 McBride Blvd, New Westminster, V3L 5T4.

Who Should Attend: Mental-health practitioners, clinical psychologists, psychiatric nurses, police officers, correctional officers, criminologists and other criminal justice and mental health personnel.

Forum Topics:

- *How Can Research and A Review of Best Practices Assist First Responders?*
- *The Other Side of Mental Health Crisis: Perspectives of Persons with Mental Illness and Family Members*
- *Responding to Mental Health Crises: Perspectives of Police Professionals*
- *Responding to Psychiatric Crises: Perspectives of Mental Health Practitioners*
- *Bringing Together the Perspectives of the Stakeholders: Feedback and Recommendations from Conference Participants*

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- BC Chiefs of Police
- Canadian Mental Health Association – British Columbia Division
- International Centre for Criminal Law Reform and Criminal Justice Policy
- RCMP Pacific Region Training Centre
- Transit Authority Police Service
- Vancouver Coastal Health Authority – Mental Health Emergency Services
- Vancouver Police Department
- Fraser Health

How to Register: Please send an e-mail to advancedpolicetraining@jibc.ca