Information on Private Group Mental Health First Aid Training

How is the training delivered?
You have three options:

• All virtual class: attendees complete 2 hours of online self-study prework prior to a six hour live virtual class
• Hybrid class: attendees complete 2 hours of online self-study prework prior to a six hour live in-person class (note: this does not include breaks or meal time so please add that into your planning)
• All in-person class: attendees complete an 8 hour in-person class. This can be split over two days if preferred. (note: this does not include breaks or meal time so please add that into your planning)

How many attendees do we need?
A minimum of 10 and a maximum of 25. Please note you will be charged for the minimum 10 attendees even if your class size falls below that number on the day of the training.

What are the costs?

• All virtual class: $1,750 flat fee
• Hybrid or all in-person class: $3,000 flat fee plus trainer travel expenses. Trainer travel expenses include airfare, ground transportation, hotel for 2 nights (3 if a two-day class), and meals, upon presentation of receipts.

How do we book a class?
Contact Lori Rubinstein at Behind the Scenes at mhfa@btshelp.org or 212-244-1421. She will discuss trainer options with you and ask you to provide potential dates for your training. Our trainers are all working professionals so their time must be booked in advance and available dates may be limited.

What kind of facilities are needed for a hybrid or all in-person class?

• A room that will allow seating in rounds or classroom style. Attendees must have table space for their workbooks, so theatre-style seating is not acceptable.
• It is up to the organizer whether you wish to provide any kind of refreshments such as water or coffee or food at lunch breaks.

What are the AV requirements?

• A projector
• A screen large enough for the entire class to easily read the projected content
• Internet connection
• A wireless mic (depending on class size)

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What is the class timing?
- You can set the start time for your class
- For the virtual class, the trainer usually takes two 15 minute breaks and one 30 minute break. This can be adjusted upon request.
- For the in-person class you can determine the break schedule. For example, if you plan to provide lunch or give the attendees time to go and get lunch then you can schedule a longer lunch break.

How is registration handled?
Virtual or hybrid class:
- The class organizer must submit an attendee list including name and email to Behind the Scenes at least ten days prior to the class.
- The class will then be registered with the National Council for Mental Wellbeing. Attendees will then receive their log-in information to complete their pre-work.
- Once the attendee list has been submitted, additional attendee names (up to the maximum class size) may be added up to four days prior, providing the individual can complete their pre-work in the given amount of time.

All in-person class:
- We will need an attendance number from you a minimum of two weeks before so that we can order workbooks shipped to you.

How is payment handled?
Once a date and trainer have been confirmed, the organization sponsoring the training must pay a non-refundable deposit of $750 to Behind the Scenes. The balance will be due seven days prior to the class. Trainer travel expenses will be invoiced immediately following the class.

If a class is cancelled between payment of the deposit and seven days in advance, any non-refundable trainer travel expenses already incurred will be payable.