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Loudoun Offers Mental Health Education & Substance Abuse Prevention Trainings in November

Loudoun County offers ongoing mental health education and substance abuse prevention trainings. All trainings are free, but seats are limited and registration is required, with the exception of Rapid REVIVE! The schedule of upcoming classes for November 2023 is as follows:

Adverse Childhood Experiences Training

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) training aims to raise awareness of the impact of potentially traumatic events that occur in childhood. ACEs are linked to chronic health problems, mental illness and substance abuse in adulthood. The training teaches that ACEs prevention is a key to improving a community's well-being. The virtual training presentation lasts about one hour. Discussion and a question-and-answer session will follow the presentation.

The next class will be held:

• **Monday, November 20, 2023**, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

For details about the training and to register, visit loudoun.gov/childhoodadversitytraining.

Opioid Overdose Reversal

<u>REVIVE!</u> is the opioid overdose and naloxone education program for the Commonwealth of Virginia. The training is free and anyone who uses opioids or knows someone who is using opioids is encouraged to attend a training. Loudoun County offers two versions of the program - Rapid REVIVE! and Virtual REVIVE!

Rapid REVIVE! is a shortened format that allows individuals to complete the training in six minutes. After watching a short video and then providing their contact information, participants receive free naloxone nasal spray. They may choose to receive naloxone by mail or arrange pickup. Rapid REVIVE! is available anytime. No registration is required.

- Visit <u>loudoun.gov/rapidrevive</u> for Rapid REVIVE! in English.
- Visit loudoun.gov/reviveespanol for Rapid REVIVE! in Spanish.

Virtual REVIVE! is a one-hour, scheduled training session that requires registration. Participants who complete the training are also eligible to receive free naloxone nasal spray. They may choose to receive naloxone by mail or arrange pickup.

The next scheduled training will be held:

• Friday, November 17, 2023, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

REVIVE! trainings can also be scheduled upon request. For details about the training and to register, visit <u>loudoun.gov/revive</u>.

Suicide Prevention Training

Question Persuade Refer (QPR) training helps people recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to refer someone for professional help. The suicide prevention training teaches three simple steps that anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide; Question, Persuade and Refer. The virtual training presentation lasts about one hour. Discussion and practice opportunities will follow the presentation.

The next class will be held:

• **Monday, November 27, 2023**, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

For details about the training and to register, visit loudoun.gov/suicidepreventiontraining.

For More Information

For more information on the prevention and intervention services offered by the Loudoun County Department of Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Services, visit loudoun.gov/mhsadsprevention or send an email to prevention@loudoun.gov.