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A ROADMAP FOR FIRE/EMS RESPONDING
TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CALLS

Join Washington's first standardized behavioral health training for FIRE/ EMS

Coast delivers an innovative skills-building curriculum tailored to Fire/ EMS who are increasingly responding to behavioral health emergencies and providing follow-up services. Coast focuses on developing real-world skills through competency-based exercises that reinforce classroom learning. We also provide wellness and regional resources that enhance support and knowledge-sharing.

Enhance your expertise and broaden your understanding of how to coast through complex and challenging calls.

Learn the latest information and practices including:

- Varied crisis services in Washington state and in your region; the agencies and laws that affect them
- Non-escalation and de-escalation strategies
- Innovative approaches to individuals who have overdosed on fentanyl or other opioids
- Rapid on-scene observation techniques that enhance interventions
- Best practices for debriefing calls and assessing performance
- Assessing suicide risks within various scenarios
- Situational awareness and safety protocols for FIRE/ EMS

Date & Time

Thursday, May 8, 2025
9:00am to 5:00pm

Location

Walla Walla Police Department - Fulton Community Room
54 E Moore St
Walla Walla, WA 99362

Who Should Attend: Fire/EMS personnel from the nine fire department grant innovation sites + invited guests

To Register: [Spokane/Walla Walla - Registration Link](#)

COAST is a training program developed and delivered by the Behavioral Health Crisis Outreach Response and Education (BHCore) Center at the University of Washington School of Social Work.