

## March 12-13, 2020

Course Number: 666

#### Location:

Carver Fire Department 99 Main Street Carver, MA 02330

Time:

0830-1700

#### Notes:

This is a "Priority Selection" course which is not first come-first serve.

#### **Priority Selection Date:**

February 27, 2020

# FROM BATTLEFIELD TO STREET: ONE UNIFORM TO ANOTHER

### **Course Highlights**

- Types of potential symptoms present in the returning military veteran
- Principles of combat stress interventions
- Challenges being faced not common to previous conflicts
- "Lessons Learned" about combat stress/psychological injuries
- "Deadly Combat Sins"
- "Battlemind" skills that must be transitioned upon returning home
- "Triggers" that can remind the military veteran of their combat experience
- Steps of the RESTORE protocol and where it may be used
- Signs and/or symptoms of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
- Resources for referral and/or additional help

Public safety personnel who also have dual roles in the military are facing new challenges today. Military life and deployments can often leave the first responder/veteran with traumatic experiences that get "triggered" when they return to serve in their public safety roles. The young child struck by a car, entering a burning building, or the need to draw a service weapon can instantly transport our rescuer mentally back to the battlefield. These instances can be anticipated and dealt with but would you know what to do? How do you apply your CISM skills to the combat veteran?

Massachusetts has a large number of fire, law enforcement, EMS, and hospital personnel who are also military veterans. This course is intented for CISM team peers, clinicians, chaplains, military personnel, and anyone else who may be asked to work with public safety personnel who are also in the military such as veteran's outreach staff. The information shared and skills taught in this course have also been reported to be helpful for those that work with active duty and career military personnel.

Completion of "From Battlefield to Street: One Uniform to Another" and receipt of a certificate indicating full attendance (14 contact hours) qualifies as a class in the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation's Certificate of Specialized Training Program

