

# 2025 CIT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

## SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

AUGUST 11 - AUGUST 13, 2025 | \*SUBJECT TO CHANGE

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 10th - BONUS SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**CIT Coordinator Course**

*Grand Ballroom J/K*

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Mission-Critical Emotionally Intelligent De-Escalation for Crisis Response**

*Grand Ballroom A/B*

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Hearing Voices Session #1**

*Orange County Ballroom 1*

12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Hearing Voices Session #2 (This is a second offering and not a continuation of Session #1)**

*Orange County Ballroom 1*

1:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

**Bonus Sunday: Surviving Life on and After the Job - Wellness Training**

*Grand Ballroom A/B*

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Annual Advocacy Summit - The Foundation of CIT: Building an Inclusive Steering Committee**

*Orange County Ballroom 2-4*

### MONDAY, AUGUST 11th

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

**Breakfast and Networking - Meal Provided**

*Multiple Locations*

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

**General Session: Conference Opening, Raffle Prizes and Awards Presentation**

*Platinum Ballroom*

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Workshop Presentations (12)**

- ☐ Broken Like Me: An Insider's Look at First Responder, Community and Self Care  
*Platinum Ballroom 1-4*
- ☐ The Aloha State: Moving Towards a Trauma-responsive Crisis Response System  
*Grand Ballroom A/B*
- ☐ Fort Worth Police CIT: Collaborating for Community Safety and Mental Wellness  
*Grand Ballroom C/D*
- ☐ Veteran Centered Crisis Stabilization & Scene Management Strategies  
*Grand Ballroom G/H*
- ☐ Developing a Youth CIT Program  
*Orange County Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ Autism Response - How to make it better next time  
*Orange County Ballroom 3/4*
- ☐ Expanding Crisis Response Training: Building a Skilled Workforce for Better Outcomes  
*Marquis Ballroom Northeast*
- ☐ Blending CIT, 911 and 988 to Unify Mississippi's Crisis Response  
*Platinum Ballroom 7-10*
- ☐ Is this thing on? Practical evaluation techniques to see if your CIT program is working for you  
*Marquis Ballroom Northwest*
- ☐ Collaborative Response: Roles of Law Enforcement and Mobile Crisis in Mental Health Calls  
*Grand Ballroom E*
- ☐ Advanced Topics in Psychiatric Diagnoses and Medications  
*Grand Ballroom F*
- ☐ How to Advance Crisis Services with Peer Support  
*Grand Ballroom J/K*

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**Lunch on your own**

*On your Own*

**12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.****General Session: Keynote Speaker - Mr. Brian Cuban***Platinum Ballroom***1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.****BREAK: Visit our Sponsors and Exhibitors***Marquis Ballroom Center/South***2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.****Workshop Presentations (12)**

- ☐ Strength Under Pressure: Leading Employees Through Acute Trauma and Chronic Exposure to Stress  
*Grand Ballroom E*
- ☐ A Strategic Pause: How Crisis Intervention Saved a Life  
*Marquis Ballroom Northwest*
- ☐ Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR)  
*Platinum Ballroom 1-4*
- ☐ Gaps, Barriers, and Challenges in Substance Use/Abuse Assessment and Treatment for Adults with Mild-Borderline Intellectual Disability  
*Grand Ballroom A/B*
- ☐ An Innovative Continuum for Sustainable Police Mental Health Partnerships: Prevention, Response, and Enhanced Engagement  
*Grand Ballroom F*
- ☐ Congratulations! You're a CIT Coordinator, now what?!
- ☐ Crisis Response in Schools: Managing protocols and the human experience  
*Marquis Ballroom Northeast*
- ☐ Intoxication, Withdrawal, and Treatment of Substance Use Disorders  
*Platinum Ballroom 7-10*
- ☐ Beyond Training: Advancing Crisis System Transformation with CIT  
*Orange County Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ Sharing Your Story with Law Enforcement: Building engagement and trust  
*Orange County Ballroom 3/4*
- ☐ A to Z: From Program Development to Evaluation Framework for Statewide Jail In-Reach  
*Grand Ballroom J/K*
- ☐ CIT Connects: Maximizing Your Experience at the CIT International Conference  
*Grand Ballroom G/H*
- ☐ CIT Connects: Maximizing Your Experience at the CIT International Conference  
*Grand Ballroom C/D*

**3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.****BREAK: Visit our Sponsors and Exhibitors***Marquis Ballroom Center/South***4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.****Workshop Presentations (12)**

- ☐ Thinking Outside the Box in a CIT Program  
*Platinum Ballroom 1-4*
- ☐ The Sucker Punch: How Trauma and Three Suicide Attempts Shaped My Journey as a Therapist and Crisis Responder  
*Platinum Ballroom 7-10*
- ☐ Two Knocks on the Door: From Devastation to a New Alliance  
*Marquis Ballroom Northeast*
- ☐ Strengthening CIT Steering Committees: Engaging State Councils on Developmental Disabilities and IDD Agencies  
*Grand Ballroom A/B*
- ☐ Ten Steps to Successful Scenario-Based CIT Training  
*Grand Ballroom F*
- ☐ Mission-Critical Emotionally Intelligent De-Escalation in Crisis Response  
*Grand Ballroom E*
- ☐ Partners in Progress: Readyng Crisis Response Programs for Evaluation  
*Grand Ballroom C/D*
- ☐ Creating and Implementing a 911 Diversion Program  
*Orange County Ballroom 3/4*
- ☐ Crisis Care on Wheels: Transforming Mobile Response to a Person-Centered Approach  
*Grand Ballroom G/H*
- ☐ Brain Injury & Crisis: Partnering for Effective Interventions, Improving Outcomes, and Building Community Resilience  
*Orange County Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ Leveraging Advocates and the Voice of Lived Expertise in CIT  
*Grand Ballroom J/K*
- ☐ See Spot Serve: Incorporating Therapy Canines in Crisis Response Programming & Deployment  
*Marquis Ballroom Northwest*

**5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.****NETWORKING EVENT***House of Blues***TUESDAY, AUGUST 12th****7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.****Breakfast and Networking - Meal Provided***Multiple Locations***8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.****General Session: Keynote Speaker - Dr. Victoria Harris***Platinum Ballroom*

**9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.****BREAK: Visit our Sponsors and Exhibitors***Marquis Ballroom Center/South***10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.****Workshop Presentations (12)**

- ☐ More Than a Feeling  
*Grand Ballroom A/B*
- ☐ Best Practice in Emergency Response for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) and Other Diverse Populations  
*Grand Ballroom F*
- ☐ CITI Public Policy Committee: Strategies to Advance Officer Wellness  
*Grand Ballroom G/H*
- ☐ Developing a Comprehensive Crisis Continuum of Care: Tales from the Field  
*Platinum Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ Integrating the Core Elements of CIT into the Development of an Innovative Comprehensive Crisis System of Care Between- Perspectives from Law Enforcement and Behavioral Health  
*Orange County Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ The World Through the Eyes of People in Crisis: How Neuroscience Enhances Interventions  
*Grand Ballroom E*
- ☐ Development and Implementation of an Advanced Training Curriculum for Non-Law Enforcement Co-Responders (i.e. Clinicians, Peers, and other First Responders)  
*Marquis Ballroom Northeast*
- ☐ Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Awareness & Wellness-TBI Education and Resources for Officers & Citizens  
*Grand Ballroom C/D*
- ☐ Conundrum of Care: Police and Mental Health Providers Unite to Tackle High-Utilizer Youth Cases  
*Marquis Ballroom Northwest*
- ☐ From New Year's to New Paws  
*Orange County Ballroom 3/4*
- ☐ Designing and Implementing a Train-The-Trainer CIT Program for the Ukrainian National Police  
*Grand Ballroom J/K*

**11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.****NETWORKING LUNCH - Meal Provided***Multiple Locations***12:10 p.m. - 12:50 p.m.****Coin/patch/pin swap***Marquis Ballroom Center/South***1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.****Workshop Presentations (12)**

- ☐ Tactical sensory training for resiliency and self regulation during critical incidents and chronic stress  
*Grand Ballroom F*
- ☐ From Crisis to Care: Enhancing Skills and Support for First Responders  
*Marquis Ballroom Northwest*
- ☐ Patient Not Prisoner: How Crisis Intervention Teams Have Saved My Life  
*Grand Ballroom G/H*
- ☐ Preaching to the Choir: CIT Programs Work, So What's the Problem??  
*Platinum Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ Crisis Response at -40F: Partnering with Law Enforcement and Dispatch in Fairbanks, Alaska  
*Orange County Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ After the 40 Hours: Building a Robust and Sustainable CIT Program  
*Marquis Ballroom Northeast*
- ☐ Advancing the Use of Psychiatric Advance Directives (PADs) in California's Crisis Response System  
*Grand Ballroom C/D*
- ☐ Crisis Response and Intervention Training: How it Can Enhance Your CIT Program  
*Grand Ballroom J/K*
- ☐ ADEPT: Advanced De-escalation and Escalation Prevention Training  
*Grand Ballroom E*
- ☐ Fund Raising 101  
*Grand Ballroom A/B*
- ☐ No Filters, No Jargon: Ask a Docs Anything About Mental Health and Evaluations  
*Orange County Ballroom 3/4*

**2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.****BREAK: Visit our Sponsors and Exhibitors***Marquis Ballroom Center/South*

**3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.****Workshop Presentations (12)**

- ☐ Dangerous Behavioral Indicators – The Difference Between A Mental Health Crisis and Psychopathology  
*Grand Ballroom E*
- ☐ The Critical Role of Crisis Receiving Centers & Peers in CIT Programs  
*Orange County Ballroom 3/4*
- ☐ Brains, Badges, and Burnout: Rethinking First Responder Wellbeing Through Neuroscience  
*Marquis Ballroom Northeast*
- ☐ Crawl, Walk, Run Your Way to Effective De-escalation Training  
*Grand Ballroom F*
- ☐ Situational Awareness for Clinical Professionals  
*Marquis Ballroom Northwest*
- ☐ Families In Focus in CIT  
*Platinum Ballroom 9/10*
- ☐ And the Oscar Goes to: Working with professional actors to conduct standardized scenarios  
*Grand Ballroom J/K*
- ☐ We're on the Same Side! Working WITH the Police When a Loved One Needs Help  
*Platinum Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ Reimagining Incarceration and Law Enforcement's Understanding of Substance Use Disorder  
*Grand Ballroom G/H*
- ☐ No More Lists: The Power of Post Crisis Navigation  
*Orange County Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ Breaking Barriers: How Collaboration is Transforming Crisis Care in one Pennsylvania Region  
*Grand Ballroom A/B*
- ☐ Sensory Implications when Responding to someone in Crisis with Developmental Disabilities  
*Grand Ballroom C/D*

**4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.****BREAK: Visit our Sponsors and Exhibitors***Marquis Ballroom Center/South*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13th****7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.****NETWORKING BREAKFAST - Meal Provided***Multiple Locations***8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.****General Session: Message of Hope Keynote Speaker - Mr. Kevin Fischer***Platinum Ballroom***9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.****BREAK: Visit our Sponsors and Exhibitors***Marquis Ballroom Center/South***10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.****Workshop Presentations (12)**

- ☐ Certified Police Social Workers: Addressing Underlying Needs  
*Grand Ballroom C/D*
- ☐ Understanding Huntington's Disease: Partnering with First Responders for Effective Intervention  
*Grand Ballroom A/B*
- ☐ Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM). How Co-Response Teams Work to Prevent Targeted Violence  
*Grand Ballroom E*
- ☐ U.S.VETS OC Veteran Peer Support & Cultural Competency  
*Grand Ballroom G/H*
- ☐ Collaborative Crisis Response: Integrating Law Enforcement and Systems-Based Practices for Supporting Individuals with IDD and Mental Health Needs  
*Orange County Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ 988/911 Collaboration: Strengthening our Communities through Relationships, Resources, and Support  
*Marquis Ballroom Northeast*
- ☐ You Good? Two words that saved my life and stopped me from suicide  
*Grand Ballroom F*
- ☐ But Wait, There's More: Advance CIT Courses and Programming to Continue Growth and Development  
*Orange County Ballroom 3/4*
- ☐ Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Refresher Course: Enhancing Officer Preparedness in Responding to Mental Health Crises  
*Marquis Ballroom Northwest*
- ☐ From Start to Gold; Implementing a CIT Regional Program in Orange County  
*Grand Ballroom J/K*

**11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.****BREAK: Visit our Sponsors and Exhibitors***Marquis Ballroom Center/South***11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.****Workshop Presentations (12)**

- ☐ Calm Under Pressure: Unlocking the Power of Body-Based Techniques to Defuse Crisis  
*Grand Ballroom E*
- ☐ The Role of Certified Peer Support in Crisis Care: Enhancing Trust, Recovery, and Outcomes  
*Platinum Ballroom 9/10*
- ☐ Two Self-Care CIT Stories- On a Winning Streak  
*Orange County Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ Transforming Crisis Response: Collaborative Approaches in Behavioral Health – San Bernardino County Steering Committee Panel  
*Platinum Ballroom 1/2*
- ☐ Not Just Another Co-Response: A Trauma Informed Approach to Improving Outcomes for Children  
*Marquis Ballroom Northeast*
- ☐ Co-Response: Not just for big cities  
*Grand Ballroom G/H*
- ☐ Harnessing Science When it Matters Most: The Integrated Behavioural Emergency Assessment and Response Model  
*Grand Ballroom J/K*
- ☐ The START Model – Enhancing Crisis Response for People with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities through Partnerships  
*Orange County Ballroom 3/4*
- ☐ Advanced Communication Skills for Public Safety Professionals  
*Grand Ballroom F*
- ☐ Empowering CIT Instructors: Strategies for Maximizing Student Growth and Engagement  
*Marquis Ballroom Northwest*
- ☐ 911 Crisis Call Diversion: Assessing Policy Changes and Measuring Effectiveness  
*Grand Ballroom A/B*
- ☐ Revolutionizing De-escalation Competency Training: Harnessing Virtual Reality for Real-World Impact  
*Grand Ballroom C/D*

**12:30 p.m.****CONFERENCE CLOSES****EXHIBIT AREA HOURS OF OPERATION****Sunday, August 10th**

12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Set-Up)

Monday, August 11th	7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. (Set-Up)   9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 12th	7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 13th	7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

CIT STORE HOURS OF OPERATION

Sunday, August 10th	12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Monday, August 11th	6:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.   9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 12th	7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.   9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 13th	7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.   9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION HOURS OF OPERATION

Sunday, August 10th	12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
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