EMAIL MEMORANDUM

TO: Sheriffs with Local Jails and Regional Jail Superintendents

FROM: Robyn M. de Socio, Executive Secretary

RE: Training for Jail Mental Health Screening Instruments

I am writing to follow up on my communication to you on Tuesday, June 20 regarding the required use of designated jail mental health screening instruments, and to announce training programs that the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services has created for administering these screening instruments. Please see the following announcement, and distribute to the appropriate coordinator within your jail.

CC: Sheriff Participants in Regional Jails
    Governing Bodies
!!! SAVE THE DATE – Register NOW !!!

DBHDS is sponsoring 5 separate 90-minute trainings on the Brief Jail Mental Health Screen (BJMHS), the Correctional Mental Health Screen (CMHS), basic Mental Illness Identification, and basic Interviewing skills.

This training is in response to recent Budget Language (J-2, J-3) requiring local and regional jails to provide MH Screening.

*No travel is necessary, no cost is necessary. All you need is a computer, internet access, and a phone (also, please be sure your computer has the most recent Adobe Flash Player).*

*Training dates and Registration can be found below:*

**Training Dates:**
- Thursday July 6th @ 2:00 PM
- Monday July 10th @ 10:00 AM
- Tuesday July 11th @ 10:00 AM
- Monday August 7th @ 10:00 AM
- Wednesday August 9th @ 2:00 PM

**Registration:**

*One person may register for multiple people, or individuals may register themselves.*

Please just be sure to include your email when you register. After you register, we will send you a web link to attend the training. *Click Here to Register - or cut and paste the following link in your browser:*

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MH_Jail_Screening

*If you have any questions, please contact Jana Braswell at jana.braswell@dbhds.virginia.gov*