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## **AUTISM AND THE LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSE**

**DATE:** May 19, 2026

**TIME:** 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Town & Country Inn and Suites

110 N 54th Street, Quincy, IL

**INSTRUCTOR:** Bart Barta (Retired Police Major)

President of Autism Safety 101, Inc.

**Meets IL Mandates: Autism-Informed Law Enforcement Response (3 hrs.), Constitutional Use of LE Authority (1 hr.), Crisis Intervention (1 hrs.), Human Rights (1 hr.), De-escalation Techniques (1 hr.), Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time (1 hr.)**

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### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course will provide law enforcement personnel with a basic understanding of autism and how individuals with autism behave, communicate, and react in various situations. Furthermore, it will address high-risk and crisis incidents and provide tips and effective strategies to defuse and de-escalate potentially volatile situations. Additionally, it will address how to conduct interviews involving victims, witnesses and suspects who have autism.

**Non-Member Tuition:** **\$0.00\*\*** non-member tuition shall apply to State/Federal agencies and Local Law Enforcement agencies which are not members of MTU #9. Tuition will be invoiced to departments upon course completion. If a pre-registered student from a non-member agency fails to attend training, and the agency fails to provide advance notice within 7 days of the start date of that class, the agency will be invoiced the entire amount of the student's tuition. [See Tuition Policy Here](#)

**No Shows/Cancellation Policy:** West Central IL Criminal Justice Council-MTU #9 has instituted a No Show/Cancellation fee of \$50.00 to be invoiced to member/non-member agencies who do not provide sufficient notice of cancellations seven (7) days before start of class. This Fee will be invoiced within a week of an officer's absence from a training course in which he/she was registered. If an agency is unable to provide advance notice of its intent to cancel course registration because of circumstances beyond its control, the Director will have the discretion to waive this payment. Any requests to waive No Show/Cancellation Fee the Director in writing. (View Full Policy [HERE](#))

**To Register:** Follow this link to Register: <https://mtu9.org/page/3/register-now> If you experience problems or https: ALL registrations must go through your Sheriff, Chief, or Training Officer.

**This course is certified and approved by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board**