The Eleventh Judicial Criminal Mental Health Project (CMHP)-Jail Diversion Programs in Miami-Dade County has been recognized as a model of excellence. Under the direction of Judge Steve Leifman, the project was established in 2000 to divert individuals with serious mental illnesses and co-occurring substance use disorders away from the criminal justice system and into comprehensive community-based treatment and support services. The program operates CIT pre-booking diversion and post-booking diversion serving individuals booked into the jail and awaiting trial. All participants are provided with individualized transition planning including linkages to community-based treatment and support services. Other programs and supportive services, such as utilizing Peer Specialists, the SOAR Entitlement Unit and the Miami-Dade Forensic Alternative Center have been developed and implemented to ensure successful recovery and community integration outcomes can be achieved with the appropriate assistance and support.

**Educational Objectives**

1. Participants will be able to identify program components of a successful jail diversion program: pre-booking and post-booking.
2. Participants will be able to describe creative solutions to program barriers.
3. Participants will be able to identify community need and the necessary stakeholders to implement a successful jail diversion program.