

RIVERSIDE COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT

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Course Title: (Class 21.8: Foundation and Definitions: Signs and Symptoms)¹

Hours of Instruction: 2.5

Course Objectives:

- 21.8.1 Identify common Behavioral Health terminology. (MCT)
- 21.8.2 Identify specific characteristics of MHBI disorders commonly encountered among the offender population. (MCT)
- 21.8.3 Identify specific characteristics related to dementia, autism spectrum disorders, and neurological disorders. (MCT)
- 21.8.4 Identify the most common behaviors associated with mental health issues. (MCT)
- 21.8.5 Identify abnormal physical or emotional behaviors which might be indicative of a mental health concern. (MCT)
- 21.8.6 Discern between possible indicators of mental illness, intellectual disability, medical conditions and substance abuse. (MCT)
- 21.8.7 Identify decompensation when it occurs. (MCT)
- 21.8.8 Identify safety risks, disabilities, and danger to self and/or others. (MCT)
- 21.8.9 Differentiate between irrational/erratic mental health indicators and antisocial/assaultive behavior. (MCT)
- 21.8.10 Identify offenders who are exhibiting drug/alcohol use which may be a manifestation of their mental illness or medication. (MCT)

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¹ Riverside County hires an external instructor to teach this class; therefore, the material is not available for review as it is not property of the Riverside County Probation Department.