

## Who should know Mental Health First Aid?

- Teachers
- School staff
- Coaches
- Camp counselors
- Youth group leaders
- Parents
- Adults who work with youth

### Why Youth Mental Health First Aid?

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signsof mental health and substance use challenges among children and adolescents ages 12-18.

10.2%

of youth will be diagnosed with a substance use disorder in their lifetime.

Source: Youth Mental Health First Aid\*\* 1 in 5

teens and young adults lives with a mental health condition.

Source: National Alliance for Mental Illness\* **50%** 

of all mental illnesses begin by age 14, and 75% by the mid-20s.

Source: Archives of General Psychiatry\*\*\*

## Register today!

### **Delivery Format:**

In-Person Instruction
Open to the Community \*MUST PRE REGISTER\*

#### **Date and Time:**

May 1, 2024 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Lunch Provided

## Location:

Toms River Fire Training Center 1780 Church Road Toms River, NJ 08753

#### Where to register:

Register Online: http://tinyurl.com/YMHFATRMAY



# The course will teach you how to apply the MHFA Action Plan (ALGEE):

- Assess for risk of suicide or harm.
- Listen nonjudgmentally.
- Give reassurance and information.
- Encourage appropriate professional help.
- **Encourage** self-help and other support strategies.





#### Sources.

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