

The Trauma Institute of Orange County on behalf of The Welcome Orange Training Institute & the Department of Social Services Presents:

## Vicarious Trauma: To Protect and Serve Those who Protect

### About the Program:

Vicarious Trauma is not related to a geographical area, but a demographic one. Working with trauma survivors as a mental health professional can be very rewarding and inspiring but also often challenging, placing the professional at risk for vicarious trauma, and over time, symptoms of burnout. In this dynamic, powerful, and emotional presentation, Sheriff Whitcomb will take participants through the whats, whys, and hows of Vicarious Trauma, focusing on how self-awareness and self-care can be critical tools for building both inner resiliency and mitigating the effects of being in the “field of trauma” so that one may continue being in service for years to come.

### Presented By:

Timothy Whitcomb is the Sheriff for the Cattaraugus County Sheriff Office in Western New York. He has over 30 years in Law Enforcement, 7 years working major crimes in the Criminal Investigation Bureau.

Sheriff Whitcomb holds a Master’s degree in Counseling Education from St. Bonaventure University and is a certified police instructor in the areas of Interview and Interrogation, Basic and Advanced Juvenile Officer Training, the Investigation of Sex Crimes and the Law Enforcement Response to School Violence. He is a graduate of the 206<sup>th</sup> session of the FBI National Academy and his specialized training includes Crisis Negotiation with the Los Angeles Police Department; Death Scene Management with the FBI and he is certified as a SWAT Team fitness specialist.

Sheriff Whitcomb has been an adjunct professor for both Saint Bonaventure University and Jamestown Community College. He is a past president of the New York state Sheriff’s Association and the State of New York Police Juvenile Officer Association.

Previous speaking engagements include: National Sheriff’s Association Conferences, NYS Sheriff Association Sponsored Trainings, FBI Buffalo LEADS Conference, Federal US Attorney training for Sandy Hook staff, FBI National Academy, NYS DCJS Trauma in Law Enforcement Training Conferences, CALEO, Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.), US Secret Service Conference, NYS Children’s Alliance Trauma Conference, Believe Conference – Professionals who work with sexual assault victims, NYS VINE (Victim Information and Notification Everyday) Conference and others.

**When: May 3, 2022**

Session 1: 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM

or

Session 2: 1:30 PM to 5:00 PM

### Where:

Auditorium at Emergency Services Center  
22 Wells Farm Road  
Goshen, NY 10924

**Registration: Please register for one session only.**

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### Continuing Education Credit:

The Trauma Institute of Orange County is recognized by the New York State Education Department's State Board of Social Work and Mental Health Practitioners as an approved provider of continuing education. This educational offering is acceptable for **3** continuing education contact hours for social workers, mental health counselors, psychoanalysts, creative arts therapists, and marriage and family therapists. Variable credit for partial attendance may not be awarded based on state board guidelines.

**Cost: Free**

