

# When we are challenged by our clients: Working with survivors of crime with mental illnesses

## A virtual workshop from Disability Rights Wisconsin

Wednesday, September 22

9AM – 12PM

For advocates working with survivors of crime, some of our most difficult moments happen when a survivor is experiencing active mental health symptoms.

Rather than labeling those survivors as “uncooperative” or “attention-seeking,” this workshop seeks to reframe the issue and asks the advocate to identify how *we* are challenged. Presenters will discuss:

- commonly experienced mental illnesses
- tools for how to continue to communicate with and support survivors
- referrals including peer support as a way of assisting survivors in the long-term

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