Health Preparedness Training

Health preparedness training is key to maximizing recovery from any incident including man-made or natural disasters, pandemics and other public health crises. This page features scheduled health preparedness and response training opportunities for Vernon College Employees.

Course	Presenter(s)	Date	Status
Vernon College 42nd Annual North Texas Regional CARE Conference- A multi-disciplinary conference designed to meet the continuing education needs of the professional in the area of mental health, family and protective services, juvenile and adult probation services, criminal justice, addiction counseling, and social work. For more information refer to webpage at 2025 NTRT Brochure! (vernoncollege.edu)	Jenipher Janek M.ED,. LPC (ESC-Region 12) Tracy Derr, LCDC Eduardo Chavez (North Texas DEA) Brain Arias (Wichita Falls PD) Kevin Boring, M.A. (NTSH Retired) Jason Shaw MED, LPC-S	**05-13-2025 Thru 05-15-2025**	**PAST**
Suicide Prevention Training- An educational program designed to teach lay and professional "gatekeepers" the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to respond.	QPR Institute	**09-20-2024**	**PAST**
Autism Awareness Training- An educational program designed to teach lay and professional "gatekeepers" facts and statistics, stigma, ableism and working with/supporting students with autism along with available resources and highlights of people with autism.	Stephanie Mescher Vernon College	**04-11-0204**	**PAST**
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Celebrate Disability Pride- In this interactive session, join Rachel White, PASS Department Director and Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD) Coordinator as she shares how Vernon College makes our campuses as accessible/adaptable as possible to those of all abilities. Sessions are available on both the Vernon Campus and Century City Campus. **RSVP is required as complimentary lunch is provided during these sessions.**	Rachel White Vernon College	**07-13-2023**	**PAST**
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Trends in College Students' Mental Health- learn insights from leaders in mental-health care about the currents state of mental health among college students, what looming effects has Covid-19 had on the mental health crisis, and what is the future of mental-health services on campus.	Chronicle of Higher Education	**06-08-2023**	**PAST**
Educational Webinar Series- Trauma-Informed Leadership: From Awareness to Action.	edWeb.net	**06-01-2023**	**PAST**
Vernon College 40th Annual North Texas Regional CARE Conference- A multi-disciplinary conference designed to meet the continuing education needs of the professional in the area of mental health, family and protective services, juvenile and adult probation services, criminal justice, addiction counseling, and social work. For more information refer to webpage at 2023 NTRT Brochure! (vernoncollege.edu)	Dr. Don Hebbard (Amberton University) Jennifer Garner (Christ Counseling Ministry) Catherine Earley (Midwestern State Univ.) Matt Kelly (Texas DPS) Dan Buesing (Texas DPS) Mark Warren (Texas Assoc. of Counties) Jason Shaw (McMurry University)	**05-16-2023 Thru 05-18-2023**	**PAST**
Mental Health Matters- With substantial increases in demand for mental health services, psychologists across the nation are stepping up to assist colleges and universities embrace a broader culture of well-being in an attempt to better equip staff and faculty in supporting students in need.	Rock Crossing Counseling & Positive Frame of Mind Counseling	**02-17-2023**	**PAST**

Stop the Bleed: Bleeding Control for the Injured- Our nation's threat from intentional mass-casualty events remains elevated. Enhancing public resilience to all such potential hazards is identified as a priority for domestic preparedness. As uncontrolled bleeding is identified as one of the causes of preventable death from trauma, BCon was developed for direct training for immediate responders (lay personnel).	L. Pressler Trauma Educator Untied Regional Trauma Services	**09-29-2022**	**PAST**
Becoming a More Effective Educator through the lens of Self Care- This course will take the participants through the importance of utilizing reflection, boundaries, and self-awareness as an educator. With the stressors that come with being in higher education, the importance of self-care is of high importance.	Dr. T Fox / Dr. W. Helmcamp Midwestern State University	**01-29-2023**	**PAST**
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Support Well-Being- A Guide to Employee Mental Health- The mental health of each employee has a ripple effect on the organization. Collectively, it impacts individuals' well-being, their co-workers, the business' bottom line, and even society as a whole. With that, mental health awareness is critical to boosting mental health in the workplace. Supporting mental health initiatives is not just the right thing to do from a moral perspective- but also a strategic imperative for Vernon College	J. Beckham / M. Dillard Red River Hospital	**08-15-2022**	**PAST**