

## **Violence Risk Assessment**

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### Description

In this training, EMPS providers and supervisors will learn the fundamentals of violence risk assessment for children and youth. Specifically, this training will review the need for violence risk assessment, the role of the EMPS service provider and distinguish between violence prediction and risk assessment. Participants will be introduced to a violence risk assessment tool, the SAVRY, and be trained on how to utilize it in their work. Participants will also be introduced to the National Center for the Analysis of Violent Crime (NCAVC) threat assessment model to consider level of risk. Participants will be introduced to de-escalation strategies to apply while in the community. The training lasts three hours.

### Learning Objectives

As a result of this training, EMPS providers will:

1. Gain a broader understanding of the prevalence and manifestations of violence
2. Gain a broader understanding of normal child and adolescent development and the risk and protective factors related to abnormal development and violence
3. Understand the basic structure and clinical utility of the Structured Assessment of Violence Risk in Youth (SAVRY)
4. Develop basic skills in violence and threat assessment.
5. Develop de-escalation strategies.

### Training Outline

- Introduction: Why are You Here?
- Role of the EMPS Service Provider
- Understanding the Issue: Background and Statistics
- Foundations of Risk Assessment: Introduction of the SAVRY
- De-escalation strategies
- Discussion and Q&A