



Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION **TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM 2025-07**

DATE: June 5, 2025

TO: Criminal Justice Agency Administrators
Criminal Justice Training Center Directors
Criminal Justice Selection Center Directors

FROM: Director Chad Brown 
Criminal Justice Professionalism Division

SUBJECT: Approval of Specialized Course, #3029, Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias (ADRD) Training for Criminal Justice Officers

This technical memorandum announces the approval of a new elective, online course for all criminal justice officers.

House Bill 801 created s. 943.17299, F.S., to require Commission staff to develop a continued-employment online training relating to Alzheimer's disease and related dementias (ADRD).

Commission staff consulted with the Department of Elder Affairs; the Alzheimer's Association; Florida State University's College of Medicine, Department of Geriatrics; and various criminal justice agencies around the state to develop training that provides instruction on:

- recognizing the behavioral signs and characteristics of ADRD,
- communicating effectively with people living with ADRD,
- employing the use of alternatives to physical restraints, and
- identifying signs of abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

This elective, 2-hour online training is designed to teach officers how to respond to certain ADRD-related calls that they may encounter while on duty. The training includes video instruction, officer job aids, and caregiver resources to improve officers' understanding of the disease.

On May 15, 2025, the CJSTC approved the 2-hour course which may count toward an officer's mandatory retraining requirement, and officers may access the new course through FDLE's Online Mandatory Training website: <https://www.fdle.state.fl.us/FCJEI/Online-Mandatory-Retraining.aspx>

If you have questions about the approval of the course, please contact Training and Research Manager Rob Bates at RobertBates@fdle.state.fl.us or (850) 410-8672.

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