



## **Structured Interview for Violence Risk Assessment (SIVRA) in Practice Training & Certification Course Sample Agenda**

### **Description:**

This one-day certification course boosts practitioners' comfort and skills in using NABITA's Structured Interview for Violence Risk Assessment (SIVRA) tool. It provides a refresher on SIVRA and detailed training on conducting interviews for accurate results. Designed for those looking to improve their interviewing skills, the course uses case scenarios to facilitate the live role-play of a SIVRA interview in a supportive setting, allowing practitioners to practice and get feedback on their skills.

A key feature of this training is an interactive exercise that guides participants through the interview process, allowing them to serve the role of the interviewer, while the facilitator portrays the referred student to provide a realistic learning experience. This approach aids practitioners in honing their skills and developing confidence in conducting effective interviews beyond theoretical knowledge.

Learners should complete SIVRA prior to enrolling in this course.

### **Learning Outcomes:**

After completing this training, participants will be able to...

- Apply the SIVRA to an in-depth case study and accurately interpret and score a case
- Conduct an effective SIVRA interview to obtain accurate and robust information
- Gather follow-up information and identify other key stakeholders to interview to check the accuracy of the information and gather additional insight for a case

## **Agenda 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

### **SIVRA Overview and Refresher**

- Review of SIVRA and rating
- Preparing for the interview
- Review of gathering quality information and assessing credibility and plausibility

## **Opening the Interview**

- Explaining scope of privacy, purpose of assessment, and how the results will be used
- Role Play
  - Draft talking points for opening the interview in groups
  - Practice role playing the opening spiel

## **Case Study Role Play**

Participants will engage in role-playing exercises to practice conducting a SIVRA interview and will receive feedback on their interview and assessment techniques. This role play will include:

- Brainstorming and outlining initial line of questions based on referral
- Practicing initial lines of questions in an interview
- Reviewing information gathered and identifying missing information, areas of further exploration, and points of clarification
- Addressing the missing information and points of clarification
- Identifying additional sources of information and gathering collateral information

## **Case Study Scoring**

- Review information gathered during the interview and apply the SIVRA to assess the risk and protective factors.

Note: The day will include one morning and one afternoon break (approximately 15 minutes each) and a one-hour lunch break. Training start and end times for in-person events are determined by the host site. All virtual training sessions take place from 10 AM – 5 PM ET unless otherwise specified.