



Special Housing Unit (SHU) Training for DOCCS & OMH Staff

The Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS), Office of Mental Health (OMH) and the Justice



Justice Center staff who attended the SHU training included (Left to Right): Abby Semago, Melissa Finn, Special Prosecutor Patricia Gunning, Carole Greene and Kim Fellows.

Center have collaborated to provide inmates with better access to mental health treatment services inside the correctional facilities. The [Justice Center](#) is responsible for monitoring state mental health programs and finding innovative ways to improve them. The Justice Center has been working with DOCCS and OMH on how to improve the quality of mental health care provided within the correctional facilities.

One component of this collaboration is to give Correction Officers the proper training and instruction needed to successfully identify and respond to an inmate's mental health needs. The latest training session was held at Sing Sing Correctional Facility (Westchester County) for DOCCS and OMH staff who work at Bedford Hills C.F (Westchester County).



A Corrections Officer raises his hand at the SHU training that took place at Sing Sing Correctional Facility.