



DAN PHILIPS

NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF RESPONDER HEALTH

Chief Dan Phillips (Ret.) is the National Director of Responder Health. He is a subject matter expert in the building and sustaining of law enforcement peer teams and has responded to critical incidents and mass casualty scenes across the country.

Dan started his law enforcement career as a Deputy Sheriff with the Brazos County Sheriff's Department in Bryan, Texas, in 1994 and went on to serve as Chief Deputy with the United States Marshals, retiring after serving 23 years.

Dan served seven years as a Deputy Marshal on the Gulf Coast Violent Offender Fugitive Task Force in Houston, TX, then spent four years as the supervisor in Waco, TX, for the Lone Star Fugitive Task Force. In 2006, he was promoted to Washington DC and was selected as the first operational Chief for the U.S. Marshals Service peer support program, the Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT). From 2009 to 2012, he served as the Chief Deputy and the appointee by Attorney General Eric Holder as the U.S. Marshal for the Eastern District of Texas. Dan returned to a headquarters senior management position in 2012 where he was Chief of the Office of Crisis Services and supervised the CIRT, the agency Employee Assistance Program (EAP), and developed the Employee Resiliency Program (ERP), which focused on emotional survival and officer wellness.

Dan is the recipient of six U.S. Marshals Director's awards, including Operational Employee of the Year in 2008. Dan has been certified in Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) in both advanced peer and group disciplines. He served as the Director of Support Services for Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S) at National Police Week from 2006-2016. Dan has taught nationally for various programs and agencies over the past 10 years, and is an accomplished speaker and published author. He has two Bachelor's degrees from Texas A&M University, in Psychology and English, and is currently working on his Master's degree in Counseling.