



### DAN FARNWORTH

### UNITED KINGDOM EMERGENCY SERVICES NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE (NHS)

- Sir Winston Churchill Fellow 2018
- EMT UK Ambulance Service NHS
- Founder of Mental Health Awareness
   Campaign for First Responders Our Blue Light
- Figure head for the Royal Foundation's 'Heads Together' Programme
- Awarded NHS Hero award in May 2018 by HRH Prince William
- Honored with the Prime Minister's 'Point of Light Award' by Theresa May in June 2018





### **COPING STRATEGIES**

#### AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- What are coping strategies and why do we need them?
- Identify ideas for suggested best practice and discuss practical ideas to achieve this.
- To use our discussions and ideas to put together a draft best practice document, for further discussion and progression.



# 1 IN ? FIRST RESPONDERS WILL CONSIDER SUICIDE

(MIND 2016)

### Contributing Factors:

- > Stigma
- > Culture
- > Long working hours
- > Relentless work load
- Lack of formal support structure



### DAN'S STORY





### SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL

- Believed that, if given the correct tools ordinary people could achieve extraordinary things
- Believed that sharing our best methods of work with other nations was the key to overall success







PARAMUS NEW JERSEY PROUD TO BE STIGMA-FREE



### CANADA & THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA









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Be Active

Do what you can, Enjoy what you do, Move your mood Tearning Keeb

Embrace new experiences, See opportunities, Surprise yourself Give

Your time, your words, your presence Connect

Talk and Listen, Be there, Feel Connected



Remember the simple things that give you joy



### INTERACTIVE SESSION

- 1. Practical solutions to dealing with everyday situations
- 2. Separating work and home
- 3. The role of mindfulness activities to support you
- 4. How not to feel responsible for people's actions and experiences?
- 5. Compassion fatigue





### WHATS NEXT?

### **CULTURE**

Improve the culture of our services by reducing the stigma, raising awareness and starting the conversation around health and wellbeing in the workplace and at home

### **SUPPORT**

Offer true support for our colleagues, including resilience training and offering the right support, at the right time and in the right place - from day one

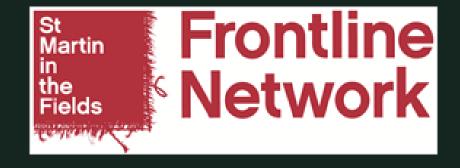
#### HEALTH

Provide healthy working conditions and the tools to ensure colleagues are able to live a happy, healthy and fit lifestyle at work and at home



## WHATS NEXT? NETWORK

"Alone we can achieve amazing things, but when we work together the possibilities are endless"









### THANK YOU

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