

THE MAXWELL & ELEANOR BLUM PATIENT AND FAMILY LEARNING CENTER

AVADE Workplace Violence Prevention

AVADE® is an acronym for Awareness-Vigilance-Avoidance-Defense-Escape. It is the most comprehensive, current, and effective approach to preventing, avoiding, de-escalating, and mitigating violence and aggression in any workplace setting. AVADE® can help you become safety-aware with a vigilant mindset, help you understand body language communication and de-escalation, and teach you defense techniques for yourself and others.

This online program is free and open to Mass General staff, patients, and the general public.

To attend this program, click on this link:

<https://partners.zoom.us/j/87041506202>

Please submit questions you may have about the topic before the program to: PFLC@partners.org so that the speaker may address them during the session.



Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2022

Time: 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

For more information,

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Featured Speaker: Matthew Thomas, CPP

Matt has been with MGH Police, Security and Outside Services for over 20 years as an officer, a supervisor and an investigator. Currently, he is the department's training, development and communications specialist, and is an active member of MGH's Domestic Violence Working Group, Men Against Abuse and Gun Violence Prevention Coalition. Matt graduated from the Northeast Regional Police Institute in 1995 and holds a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from UMass Lowell. He has taught hundreds of classes on managing aggression, active shooter response, behavioral analysis and workplace safety, along with many other security-related topics. Matt is board certified in security management, holding the designation of Certified Protection Professional.

