

## **DESCRIPTION**

The purpose of Criminal Thinking group is to help the participant see how criminal thinking errors impact decisions in daily life. Techniques from cognitive behavioral therapy, including Rational Self Analysis (RSA), are used to identify the patterns of criminal thinking that occur in a wide range of situations. The protocol can be used in a group or in an individual format as outlined in the curriculum. The curriculum and journal are available in English and Spanish and are gender-responsive.

The Criminal Thinking journal reviews criminal thinking errors, provides education on the influence of thoughts and feelings on behaviors, and details how to conduct an RSA to improve decision-making. The concepts and skills presented in this treatment protocol are best learned by interactive practice, review, and by completing the between-session assignments.

Employees should consult the program material for length and duration of the class. Program materials and updated SENTRY codes are located under the FSA Programs link on the Reentry Services Division Sallyport page.

## **LOCATIONS**

Available at all BOP institutions.

## **NEEDS**

Antisocial Peers and Cognitions

## PROGRAM DELIVERY

To ensure program fidelity and proper credit, **Criminal Thinking** must be delivered by Psychology Services.

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