Best Practices in Crime Prevention Facilitation

- Greet your audience by establishing a personal connection. Maintain eye contact throughout the presentation.

- Use a voice loud and clear enough to be heard and understood. Employ body language that communicates your ideas visually.

- Describe your objectives in the beginning. Sum up main points at the end.

- Define key concepts. Provide at least one practical example of each one.

- Use support material that complements but does not complicate the presentation (PowerPoint, worksheets, chalkboard). Keep it interesting but simple!

- We learn by doing! Include at least one hands-on exercise from the manual.

- Gauge participants’ understanding by encouraging questions and comments. Rephrase the questions so the entire class hears them.

- Teach the objectives accurately, and as they are presented in the manual.

- Manage time carefully! Break up lectures and discussion at appropriate points. There is a lot of material, and you are likely to need more time instead of less.