

## **Gasaway Consulting Group LLC**

### Program Description

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## **Is Our Culture Killing Us?**

Despite numerous advances in fire service technology, systems and practices, firefighter injury and death rates remain unchanged from previous years. One contributing factor that greatly influences firefighter safety is the impact of the fire service culture.

This session will examine several long held cultural beliefs and fire service traditions that are detrimental to improving firefighter safety. This session will examine the culture of the fire service; illustrating the influence that cultural belief and practice has upon firefighter health and safety. Insight will be offered that reveal organizational indicators denoting institutionalized apathy towards safety. Leadership keys to change the organizational culture so to adopt and internalize a culture of safety will also be presented.

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