



February 2014

Disability Awareness Training Newsletter

LOOKING FORWARD TO SPRING

Articles of Interest

[Bureau of Justice Statistics: Crimes Against Persons with Disabilities, 2009-2012](#)

[Updated Train the Trainer Evaluation Summary](#)

Upcoming Trainings

[Firefighter/EMS Train the Trainer - Westchester County](#)

Fri. March 7 (7pm-10pm) & Sat. March 8 (8am-5pm) at the Westchester Co. Dept. of Emergency Services in Valhalla, NY. Click link to register.

[Firefighter/EMS Train the Trainer - Suffolk County](#)

Fri. March 28 (7pm-10pm) & Sat. March 29 (8am-5pm) at the Suffolk Co. Department of Health Services EMS Division in Yaphank, NY. Click link to register.

[Law Enforcement Train the Trainer - Erie County](#)

Tues. April 1 (8:30am-4:30pm) & Weds. April 2 (8:30am-4:30pm) at the Erie Co. Law Enforcement Training Academy in Williamsville, NY. Click link to email Scott Neff at DCJS to register.

[Law Enforcement Train the Trainer - Essex County](#)

Thurs. April 10 (8:30am-

Dear David,

While February was short and the weather continues to challenge us, we continue to progress with multiple initiatives. We always welcome your input.



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NYS 911 Coordinators Association Conference

NU FRDAT to unveil Train the Trainer curriculum for 911 operators/dispatchers at the 911 Coordinators Association Conference in Lake George, NY in May 2014.

Current Outreach and Research

NYS ADA Coordinators and National Incident Tracking

As mentioned in our last newsletter, one of our current projects is reaching out to Town Hall Training graduates who serve as ADA Coordinators in their municipality to assess the completion of duties and responsibilities and the current status of municipal committees. In addition, we will be contacting municipalities that are required to have an ADA Coordinator but have not yet identified one. **Under federal law, any municipality with 50+ employees are required to have an ADA Coordinator.** Please visit our [online listing](#) to review the status of your municipality's ADA Coordinator and contact us if you have any information regarding your local coordinator.



In addition, we have established a new tracking system to review and analyze national incidents between first responders and persons with

4:30pm) & Fri. April 11 (8:30am-4:30pm) at the Essex County Public Safety Building in Lewis, NY. Click link to email Scott Neff at DCJS to register.

[Firefighter/EMS Train the Trainer - Essex County](#)

Fri. April 11 (7pm-10pm) & Sat. April 12 (8am-5pm) at the Essex County Public Safety Building in Lewis, NY. Click link to register.

[Firefighter/EMS Train the Trainer - Wayne/Ontario County](#)

Fri. April 25 (7pm-10pm) & Sat. April 26 (8am-5pm) at the Wayne County Public Safety Building in Lyons, NY. Click link to register.

[Firefighter/EMS Train the Trainer - Onondaga County](#)

Fri. May 2 (7pm-10pm) & Sat. May 3 (8am-5pm) at the Fayetteville Firehouse in Fayetteville, NY. Click link to register.

[Firefighter/EMS Train the Trainer - Otsego County](#)

Friday May 16 (7pm-10pm) & Saturday May 17 (8am-5pm) at the Oneonta Fire Dept. Click link to register.

disabilities. We will be identifying past and recent incidents, researching the outcomes, and tracking trends that emerge from our findings. This will allow for more precise, incident-specific training development.

Emergency Management Questionnaire

Niagara University First Responder Disability Awareness Training and the New York State Independent Living Council (NYSILC) have teamed up with the University at [Albany Disability Law Clinic](#) to assist NYS emergency managers



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in identifying the basic areas of need and compliance in properly responding to individuals with disabilities before, during, and after an emergency. This was introduced at the NYS Emergency Managers Association conference on February 12th. Program Director David Whalen is a council member on NYSILC and chairs their emergency preparedness sub-committee.

New Partnership!

Accessibility Services

Niagara University and Accessibility Services have teamed up to bring more awareness and aid to municipalities trying to come up to code with the ADA. Vice President Dominic Marinelli has been with the United Spinal Association for 25 years. Mr. Marinelli provides continuing education to members of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and the Society of American Registered Architects.



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