



Greetings,

Spring has sprung. May brings Stroke Awareness month. Do you know the symptoms of a stroke? Take a look below in the resources section to gain some knowledge on what to look for. May is also National Military Appreciation Month. It is a good time to reflect on our freedoms and the sacrifices our service men and women.

This is a good time to refresh your knowledge and those around you on strokes, ADA Service Animal Protocols, and PTSD.

As First Responders, many times we are so focused on taking care of others that we can tend to ignore our own physical and mental health. Please take a look at our resources section to learn information on the effects of traumatic events on First Responders.

May Newsletter 2017

RECENT NEWS HEADLINES	RESOURCES
<p>Teen seeking Eagle Scout badge teaches first responders about service animals</p>	<p>Use FAST To Remember The Warning Signs Of A Stroke</p>

[New Card Helps Disabled Communicate with Police in Stressful Situations](#)

[HB 115 would alert police to communication disabilities](#)

[Why are we criminalizing behavior of children with disabilities?](#)

[First Responders and Traumatic Events: Normal Distress and Stress Disorders](#)



NACDD

National Association of Councils
on Developmental Disabilities

The National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities (NACDD) recognizes the importance of First Responders being trained on how to accurately and appropriately respond to individuals with disabilities. NACDD and NU FR DAT have collaborated to present a webinar on Wednesday, May 17th 3pm EST. This will be a lead up to the NACDD plenary session that Dave Whalen will be conducting with Missouri CDD Executive Director Vicky Davidson and New York State CDD Program planner Kimberly Berg.

The NACDD conference will be held in Salt Lake City, UT July 12-14 with the First Responders Disability Awareness Training sessions on Friday the 14th.

If you would like to participate in the webinar please see information below:

To join: 800-832-0736; passcode *4880400# and
<http://nacdd.adobeconnect.com/dat/>

**First Responders Disability Awareness Inaugural Missouri
Train the Trainer set for June**

The development of the curriculum now complete, the debut of the Missouri First Responders Disability Awareness Training is set. On June 12th & 13th the Kansas City Fire Department will

be holding the First Firefighter/EMS Train the Trainer and on June 14th and 15th the Kansas City Police Academy will be holding the First Law Enforcement Train the Trainer course in Missouri. First Responders and disability advocates throughout Missouri have provided essential information and expertise to make the training specific to Missouri. Some highlights will be the KCPD video, the Firefighter modified curriculum and additional videos on autism, Traumatic Brain Injury, and Alzheimer's disease.

Also scheduled are the next round of training sessions, with the debut of the MO 911 Telecommunicators program at their annual conference September 19-20 in Tan Tara and the Missouri State Police hosting the Law Enforcement session September 21-22.

More details to follow.



NU FR DAT providing multiple training opportunities for 911 telecommunicators

NU FR-DAT attended the Navigator conference in New Orleans LA, on April 12-14, and provided 40+ attendees with Disability Awareness training and completed a 911 telecommunicator Train the Trainer course. NENA has provided multiple opportunities for FR-DAT to train their 911 telecommunicators, with upcoming training in San Antonio, Texas for the NENA 2017 conference being held on June 3th-8th where a full-day training and a break-out session will be completed.

"NENA works with 9-1-1 professionals nationwide, public policy leaders, emergency services and telecommunications industry partners, like-minded public safety associations, and other stakeholder groups to develop and carry out critical programs and initiatives, to facilitate the creation of an IP-based Next Generation 9-1-1 system, and to establish industry leading standards, training, and certifications."

For more information on the upcoming conference [click here.](#)

Various states
looking to pass house bills to promotes positive interactions
between individuals with disabilities and law enforcement

The **Alaska Council on Developmental Disabilities** and the **State Independent Living Council of Alaska** are looking for support to pass HB 16. This bill would require Law Enforcement to take 8 hours of disability awareness training and give individuals the opportunity to place an optional discrete notification of there disability on their state identification.

"The high stress of police work can result in miscommunication and unintended consequences between law enforcement personnel and people with disabilities."

For more information on House Bill 16 [Click Here](#)

In **Washington**, "State senators unanimously approved House Bill 1258, the Travis Alert Act, which would require training for firefighters, police and paramedics on how to work with people with disabilities." Theresa King, mother of a child with Autism lobbied continuously with her son at her side to get this essential law passed. The bill will also call for a task force to look into the feasibility of adding information people voluntarily submit about disabilities to the 9-1-1 call system.

Please find more information [here](#)

The **state of Ohio** Law Makers have also passed sub-house bill Sub. House Bill 115. Comparable to Alaska's HB 16, the bill would allow individuals to place information regarding a disability they may have on there state issues identification cards. The bill comes to light after two men with Autism were pulled over and arrested due to the officer assuming they were drunk. After further investigation the men were found to be sober and released from jail.

Please find the full article [here](#)



UPCOMING FIRST RESPONDERS DISABILITY AWARENESS TRAINING

Please mark your calendars and make your colleagues aware of these upcoming NU FR DAT Train-the-Trainer program opportunities.



MAY 9, 2017: INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR HEALTHCARE SECURITY & SAFETY, DISABILITY AWARENESS TRAINING AT THE CONFERENCE CENTER AT SHEPPARD PRATT 6501 N. CHARLES ST

REGISTRATION INFORMATION: [CLICK HERE](#)



Upcoming Conferences & Training Sessions

- **May 9, 2017**
 - Training - **Law Enforcement Disability Awareness Training -**

Baltimore, MD

- Hosted by the International Association for Healthcare Security & Safety
- Registration details [here](#).

• **May 17, 2017**

- Training -**NACDD Member Services Committee Webinar- Disability Awareness Training (DAT)**
Registration details [here](#).

• **May 18, 2017**

- Conference - **Developmental Disabilities Day-Niagara Falls Conference Center**
 - For more information [Click Here](#).

• **June 3, 2017 - June 8, 2017**

- Conference - **National Emergency Numbers Association (NENA) Conference & Expo - San Antonio, TX**

• **June 8, 2017**

- Conference - **National Homeland Security-Buffalo, NY**

• **June 12, 2017 & June 13, 2017**

- Training - **Kansas City, MO – Firefighter/EMS Disability Awareness Train the Trainer**
 - Hosted by: Kansas City Fire Department
 - For more information [Click Here](#).

• **June 14, 2017 & June 15, 2017**

- Training - **Kansas City, MO - Law Enforcement Disability Awareness Train the Trainer**
 - Hosted by: Kansas City Regional Police Academy
 - For more information [Click Here](#).

• **July 12-14, 2017**

- Conference - **National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities–Salt Lake City, UT**
 - For more information [Click Here](#)

• **September 19 - 20, 2017**

- Training -**Tan Tara, MO–911 Telecommunicators Train the Trainer**
 - More information to come

• **September 21 - 22, 2017**

- Training - **Kansas City, MO - Law Enforcement Disability Awareness Train the Trainer**
 - Hosted by Missouri State Police

- More Information to come

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