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Program Announcement

First Responder Awareness Training for Autism and Other Disabilities

Date/Time: October 26, 2022

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

The Monroe County Public Safety Training Facility (PSTF), in partnership with the Nassau Suffolk Chapter of the Autism Society of America (NSASA), will be holding *First Responder Awareness Training for Autism and Other Disabilities* at 1190 Scottsville Road, Rochester, New York. This **free** course provides first responders, including law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical service personnel with the skills necessary to conduct successful interactions with individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

This course has been approved for three (3) continuing medical education (CME) credits by the Nassau Regional EMS Council (REMSCO).

Lunch will be provided. When making your reservation, please advise if you have any dietary restrictions.

Prerequisites

• Active members of a Police, Fire, or EMS agency authorized to operate in New York State

Required Attire and/or Equipment

- Attire (dress code)
 - o BDU pant and Polo-style shirt; or
 - Department authorized training uniform

Instructional Areas Include

- Overview of Autism and other disabilities
- How people are affected by autism
- Challenges associated with ASD that may impair communication with first responders
- Autism-related indicators, sensory problems, and calming techniques
- Search considerations for autistic individuals who are reported missing

Course Tuition and Fees

• Tuition: Free

• Estimated Student Fees: **None**

Reservations: To reserve a seat and register for this course, please contact Veronica Garcia at:

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