**Niagara University Safety Awareness Training for Individuals with Disabilities**

**Date:** March 12, 2020

**Time:** 9:00am – 12:00 PM

 Place: Joplin Public Safety Training Center

 5102 Swede Ln

 Joplin MO, 64801

 **Directly across from Joplin Airport**

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**Safety Awareness presentation description:**

Be it the parent of a toddler or an adult transitioning to adult life, there are many angles and factors that go into ensuring the safety and well-being of a person with a disability. Whether it be establishing a fire safety or disaster preparedness plan, interacting with a police officer, calling and communicating with a 9- 1-1 telecommunicator, or knowing to have your medical information ready for an EMT, there are many other aspects to ensure the well-being of any individual with a disability, but how does it differ and what do we need to know to be sure it turns out best for the individual. Disability Awareness Training has developed curriculum, spun off its grants in First Responder and Emergency Management Training, for parents of and individuals with disabilities to address comprehensive understanding of this topic.

Niagara University’s First Responder and Emergency Management Disability Awareness Training is the nation’s only comprehensive training for firefighters, law enforcement, 9-1-1 telecommunicators, emergency medical services and emergency managers. The Missouri Council on Developmental Disabilities (MOCDD) has grant funded this program in your state.

**Presenters:**

* David Whalen, Program Director
* Chief Dustin Lunow, Joplin Fire Department
* Corporal Ketrina Jones, Joplin Police Department
* April Ford, Jasper County 911 Dispatch
* Vicky Davidson, Executive Director-Missouri Council on Developmental Disabilities, MO State Emergency Management Assn
* Director Keith Stammer, Joplin Emergency Management
* Chief Dave Demery, Metro Emergency Transport Service (METS)



**Topics to be addressed include, but are not limited to:**

**911 Operations**

* Calling 911
* Disclosure/explanation

**Law Enforcement**

* Victimization
* Proper Interactions
* Disclosure
* Communication
* Ways to contact

**Firefighters**

* Fire Safety planning
* Registries
* Alarms for blind/low vision and deaf/hard of hearing
* Egress/Exiting for individuals with physical disabilities
* Community Outreach

**Emergency Medical Services**

* EMT/paramedic defined
* Physical Disabilities
* Deaf/Hard of Hearing
* Information ready to go
* Service animals
* Hospital advance notice

**Emergency Management**

* Identification
* Advance/registry
* Personal preparedness

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