

# Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center

in collaboration with the

NYS Commission on Quality of Care and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities,  
Autism Society, and Alzheimer's Association Hudson Valley/Rockland/Westchester, NY Chapter

present:

# EMERGENCY CARE

## for Individuals with Special Needs

### April 14, 2012

### 8:00AM - 4:45PM

**Hampton Inn, 2361 South Road, Hudson River Room, Poughkeepsie, NY**

**Hudson Valley Regional EMS Council Authorized  
6 hours of CME**

**Purpose & Target Audience:** To review scene management, critical decision-making, safety and communication for best results during emergency contact with persons with special needs. **This program is for all emergency responders.**

<b><u>Program Agenda:</u></b>	8:00am-8:30am	Registration & Refreshments
	8:30am-8:45am	Welcome & Introduction
	8:45am-10:15am	Close Encounters with "THOSE" People
	10:15am-10:30am	Break
	10:30am-12:00pm	Close Encounters with "THOSE" People (continued)
	12:00pm-1:00pm	Lunch & Networking
	1:00pm-2:30pm	Autism & Emergency Responder Response
	2:30pm-2:45pm	Break
	2:45pm-4:15	Approaching Alzheimer's
	4:15pm-4:45pm	Farewell Remarks, Evaluations & CEU's

### **Program Descriptions:**

**Presentation 1 - Close Encounters with THOSE People: A Different Perspective on Diversity & Disability** - by Jo Fenton, Training Coordinator, NYS Commission on Quality of Care and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities, Division of Advocacy.

We so often hear people talk about "those" people. Who exactly do we mean by "those" people and how does our relatability to "those" people affect our job performance? Join in this activity-based workshop designed to provide an opportunity for emergency responders to learn how to better meet the needs of persons with special needs.

**Presentation 2 – Autism and Emergency Responder Response** - by Suzanne de Beaumont, Assistant Executive Director, Resource Center for Accessible Living

The purpose of this program is to ensure and enhance critical decision-making, communication, safety and scene management during Autism-related contacts in the field and emergency room. The following will be reviewed:

- Characteristics of Autism.
- Identification of public safety risks for people with Autism Spectrum Disorder.
- Autism and contact with the criminal justice system.
- Communication Do's and Don't's.
- Getting the most out of an interview with a person with Autism.
- Working with families and/or advocacy organizations.

**Presentation 3 – Approaching Alzheimer's: Make Your First Response the Right Response** - by Meg Boyce, Director of Programs and Services, Alzheimer's Association - Hudson Valley, Rockland/Westchester, NY Chapter

The purpose of this program is to provide relevant and practical information to emergency responders. The training is designed to give emergency responders information that will make it easier for them to do their job quickly and effectively when dealing with an Alzheimer's patient. Attendees will:

- Receive important information about persons with Alzheimer's disease and dementia.
- Be able to understand the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia and relevant treatment.
- Learn recognizable traits of dementia (age, facial expression, attire, balance/gait, actions) and how to approach the diagnosed individual.
- Ascertain communication techniques (talk tactics).
- Become familiar with the Stages of the disease.
- Be able to determine Alzheimer's alerts in the home.
- Signs of neglect.
- Disaster response and strategies.

### **Registration**

- Registration fee = \$75
- This program will be webcast. Please contact Kathy Doyle at (845) 883-7260 for details and additional information.
- To register, please print the registration form and mail completed form with payment to:  
**Catskill Hudson AHEC, 598 State Rt. 299, Highland, NY 12528.**  
You may also contact our staff at (845) 883-7260 to have a registration form emailed to you.
- Registration deadline is **March 30, 2012**. No cash refunds after this date.
- Includes continental breakfast, lunch, and refreshments.
- Rooms can be reserved at the Hampton Inn by calling (845) 463-7500.

**Contact Info.** - For additional information, please contact (845) 883-7260 or visit our website at [www.chahec.org](http://www.chahec.org).

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## **REGISTRATION FORM**

***PLEASE PRINT***

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please print your name exactly as you would like it to appear on your name tag (i.e., credentials, certifications, etc.)*

**Please check one that applies to you:**

**Medical Personnel**

**Non-Medical Personnel**

**Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**County:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Alternate Phone (required):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I will attend as follows: (please select one):**

**Venue Attendance = \$75**

**Webcast Attendance = \$65**

***Please mail the completed registration form with check payment to:***

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