

Autism Recognition, Response and Risk Management

Training for First Responders, Parents, Caregivers, Educators & Service Providers



Research indicates that persons with developmental disabilities, including a rapidly rising autism population, are about seven times more likely to come in contact with law enforcement professionals.

Police and first response professionals will meet children and adults with autism in field situations. Dennis Debbaudt's training will make these interactions safer and less stressful.

Autism Recognition, Response and Risk Management training sessions will help law enforcement, emergency response, and criminal justice professionals recognize the behavioural symptoms and characteristics of a child or adult who has autism, learn basic response techniques, learn about the high risks associated with autism, and will offer suggestions and options about how to address those risks, increase officer and citizen safety, and avoid litigation.

In 1994 Dennis Debbaudt's book, *Avoiding Unfortunate Situations* became the first to address the interactions between law enforcement professionals and people with autism. Since then he has become known as the world's leading authority on the development of curriculum training tools and techniques for law enforcement professionals, with many years of experience presenting autism related law enforcement training sessions. Debbaudt's training materials are in use by law enforcement agencies in the U.S., Canada and the United Kingdom.

When: Wednesday March 31, 2010

**Location: Invista Centre
(1350 Gardiners Road, Kingston)**

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Professionals and Emergency Responders

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Family and Caregivers

**This training is being offered at no cost to participants, all fees have been paid by the sponsors
Space is limited so registration is required, refreshments will be provided
To register please visit the training calendar at www.community-networks.ca**

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