

Safety and Emergency Preparedness

Includes alerting first responders of special needs - Remember to update

Pennsylvania State Police Informational Card For People With Autism

PSP Has Created A Card That Can Be Carried By People With Autism And Presented During Any Encounter With Law Enforcement To Ensure The Interaction Is As Safe And Productive As Possible.

Information at www.media.pa.gov/Pages/PA-State-Police-Details.aspx?newsid=868

Card at www.pa.gov/content/dam/copapwp-pagov/en/psp/documents/safety/Autism_card.pdf

HealthBridges - Create an Accommodation Card

Use the form below to create an accommodation card. It will allow you to create a personalized accommodation message. Select the appropriate values from the lists. When finished, click on the "Create Card" button below to create your accommodation card. Print the card and keep it with your other identification cards. https://healthbridges.info/health-education/accommodation-card/?_gl=1*1pf0z6h*_ga*MTE0NDY4ODM4NS4xNzIyMjY3ODYz*_ga_8VEZBF6DL4*MTcyMjI2Nzg2My4xLjAuMTcyMjI2Nzg2My4wLjAuMA..

PROJECT LIFESAVER

A no-cost program offered by law enforcement and other emergency responders in 41 states... Do you have a loved one who wanders away from your residence? •Have you had to call 911 when a loved one cannot be found? •Do you know a loved one who often "escapes" from home? If you answer "yes" to one or more of these questions, you may wish to enroll.

Persons enrolled in the program wear a small transmitter, about the size of a wristwatch, which emits a unique tracking signal. If a person goes missing, search teams use their signal receiving equipment to track and locate the missing person.

412-350-3138, <http://alleghenycountypa.us/project-lifesaver/>

Yellow Dot Program This program assists citizens in the "golden hour" of emergency care following a traffic crash when they may not be able to communicate their needs themselves. Placing a Yellow Dot decal in your vehicle's rear window alerts first responders to check your glove compartment for vital information to ensure you receive the medical attention you need. The program is a cooperative effort between PennDOT, the state departments of Health and Aging, the Pennsylvania State Police, the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, first responders, and local law enforcement. www.pennndot.pa.gov/TravelInPA/Pages/Yellow-Dot.aspx

Special Needs Registry The Special Needs Registry is a volunteer registry of information by those with a mental or physical disability that would be helpful for emergency personnel to know when responding to a crisis. 412- 473-2550, www.alleghenycounty.us/Government/Police-and-Emergency-Services/911-Communications/Special-Needs-Registry

Western Pennsylvania Search and Rescue Development Center

Includes Operation: Take Me Home, provides a safety device for the special need population that wanders 412-856-4357, www.wpsardc.org/

Envelope of Life *This program is for City of Pittsburgh residents – reach your community services entity to ask about similar programs in your area* The Envelope of Life is a standardized form that provides lifesaving information to emergency personnel in times of crisis or medical uncertainty. Tips include: •Display the envelope with the City of Pittsburgh seal facing OUT so that it is visible.

•Attach the envelope to a prominent place in your house – a refrigerator, a door or somewhere else a paramedic can easily find it.

•Keep a copy at home and one with you. 412-622-6930, <http://pittsburghpa.gov/ems/special-programs/envelope-life.html>

Pittsburgh Poison Center (PPC) For emergencies: 1-800-222-1222 (Line is staffed 24 hours per day), www.upmc.com/services/poison-center

Emergency Preparedness resources

Allegheny County Department of Human Services www.alleghenycounty.us/Human-Services/Resources/Safety-and-Consumer-Protection/Emergency-Preparedness.aspx

ODP Emergency Preparedness resources: [Emergency Preparedness Workshops – AID In PA](#), [Be Ready PA \(paautism.org\)](#) and [Emergency Preparedness Resource Collection – AID In PA](#)

PIT is proud to support the Hidden Disabilities Sunflower Program. Many disabilities, such as autism, chronic pain, epilepsy, low vision, hearing loss, dementia, anxiety disorders, and brain injuries, are not immediately obvious to others. If you or someone you are travelling with has an invisible disability, you can choose to wear the Sunflower as a discreet way to indicate to our airport staff that you may need some additional support when going through the airport processes. <https://flypittsburgh.com/sunflower-program/>

The following airlines have joined the **Hidden Disabilities Sunflower network** and have trained their entire workforce to support individuals with non-visible disabilities. Click on the airline name to find out how each airline supports Hidden Disabilities Sunflower users.

<https://hdsunflower.com/us/insights/post/airports-around-the-world>