

Think **DIFFERENTLY.**

Dutchess County Executive Marcus J. Molinaro

invites law enforcement officers, fire fighters, EMTs, and security guards to

Autism Awareness Training for First Responders

Thursday, May 9th

Choose your session

1 p.m.

**Dept. of Emergency Response
392 Creek Road, Poughkeepsie**

6 p.m.

**Dept. of Behavioral & Community Health
230 North Road, Poughkeepsie**

Nationally renowned instructors Captain Bill Cannata (Westwood, MA Fire Department - retired) and Lt. Jimmy Donohoe (Pensacola, FL Police Department) will teach first responders how to best interact with an individual with Autism during an emergency.

Topics will include:

- Identifying characteristics and behaviors of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
- Effective communication
- Building relationships with the ASD community
- Special tactics, rescue techniques, and patient care options

Register at dutchessny.gov/AutismAwarenessTraining

*To request reasonable accommodations, including sign language interpreters,
contact Wendy Cady at wcady@dutchessny.gov or 845-486-3432.*

Notice is required seven days prior to the event.

