



**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**  
**Municipal Police Training Academy**

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## RIMPTA Training Announcement

### Autism and the Law Enforcement Response

**Program Date:** February 21, 2018

**Time:** 0800-1200 Hours

**Location:** Municipal Police Training Academy  
Classroom  
CCRI Flanagan Campus  
1762 Louisquisset Pike  
Lincoln, RI 02865

Detective Jason Head of the Newport Police Department an Autism and Law Enforcement Coalition (ALEC) instructor will present this impactful workshop. The incidence of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) occurs in one out of every 68 births. People with ASD are 7 times more likely to have 911 encounters than other members of our community. Many in public safety believe ASD calls to service have the potential to reach epidemic proportions over the coming years.

This workshop will discuss the following issues: What is Autism, behavior and characteristics of citizens with ASD, the ALEC program, suggested responses for law enforcement, avoiding unfortunate outcomes, ensuring safe outcomes and how to communicate with ASD children and adults.

The goal of this workshop is to help you and your agency develop the tools necessary to be ahead of the curve and increase the potential for safe and positive outcomes.

**Who should attend?** Patrol Officers, Campus Police, supervisors, school resource officers, detectives, dispatchers and any personnel who wish to improve their knowledge of Autism Spectrum Disorder.

This workshop is offered free of charge. To register, please complete the attached registration form and fax or e-mail to Mrs. Donna Lavalley at (401) 722-3151, [donna.lavalley@risp.gov](mailto:donna.lavalley@risp.gov), by Friday, February 16, 2018. Business casual attire or department uniform of the day is required at all Academy continuing education programs unless specifically noted.

For more information regarding the Rhode Island Department of Public Safety Municipal Police Training Academy please go to: [www.rimpa.ri.gov](http://www.rimpa.ri.gov).



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Mrs. Donna Lavallee at <a href="mailto:donna.lavallee@risp.gov">donna.lavallee@risp.gov</a> or (401) 722-3151 (Academy Fax)			
Please contact Captain David Ricciarelli at <a href="mailto:david.ricciarelli@risp.gov">david.ricciarelli@risp.gov</a> or (401) 722-7096, with any questions regarding this training. <b>RSVP by February 16, 2018</b>			

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