

Welcome!
AAC 101 for First Responders
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AAC Relief: Hurricane Harvey

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Children and adults with severe speech/language disabilities often use Augmentative and Alternative communication (AAC). Join this national effort to support individuals/family members/other AAC stakeholders directly impacted by Hurricane Harvey.

I Have A Need

Get assistance: connect with the goods and services you need.

I Want to Give

Send supplies: connect with people who need them.

I Want to Volunteer

Lend a hand: connect with people who need your help.

Locate or suggest donation centers, shelters, and other recovery resources:

Find Resources »

Emergency Information

Emergency: 911

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Community Updates

Post Updates

To obtain information about how to obtain food, shelter, clothing, mental health counseling, etc. [Edit](#)

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People can call the centers 24/7 and receive information on how to obtain many resources including food, shelter, clothing, mental health counseling, etc. United Way of Texas 2-1-1 call centers.

Facebook, Twitter, Plus icons

Durable Medical Equipment Distribution in Houston Saturday Sept 9 [Edit](#)

AAC Disaster Relief

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This site supports individuals who use AAC so they can re-establish their communication. The United States Society for Augmentative Communication (USSAAC) manages the site and is currently focused on the aftermath of hurricane IRMA.

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Welcome to AAC Disaster Relief for Hurricane Irma [Edit](#)

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This site assists people with severe speech and language disabilities who use augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) to enable them to communicate. We are focusing on the aftermath of Hurricane Irma. Help us get the word out!

Individuals who use AAC and their family members can request help or sign...

Read More

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New Site added to address needs of people who use AAC and their family members impacted by Hurricane Irma [Edit](#)



AAC 101 for First Responders

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Disclosure Statements

- ▶ The presenters have neither relevant financial nor non-financial relationships to disclose.

Learning Objectives

- ▶ Participants will learn
 - ▶ How to communicate information concerning AAC to individuals who work as first responders
 - ▶ How to reach first responders who need information on communicating with individuals who use AAC
 - ▶ Describe ways to replicate the training for first responders in their own communities or whom to contact for the training

Imagine...

How this all started...

- ▶ AAC World (permission granted by Holland-Bloorview Kids' Rehabilitation Hospital in Toronto, Canada)
 - ▶ First held in 2013
 - ▶ Representative from Indiana State Police attended in 2014
 - ▶ Representative from Southwest Fire District attended in 2016
- ▶ Initial first responder training was held in August 2016

How We Got the Word Out

- ▶ One person: Nick Clarke from Southwest Fire District
- ▶ Contacted Sheriff Department
 - ▶ 5 in-services in January 2017 for entire department
- ▶ FWFD – video (November 2016)
- ▶ Driven by word of mouth and social media
 - ▶ First responders are realizing the importance of this training and are giving us more contacts

Format of The Presentation

- ▶ One hour lecture
- ▶ 5-10 minutes of scenarios
- ▶ 5 minutes wrap-up
- ▶ 5 minutes of Q & A

What we covered

- ▶ Define AAC
- ▶ Who might use AAC
 - ▶ Individuals with developmental disabilities
 - ▶ Individuals with acquired disabilities

What we covered

- ▶ Research about people with disabilities being victims of crime
- ▶ Joan Petersilia from University of California-Irvine
- ▶ Diane Bryen from Temple University

What we covered

- ▶ Different levels of AAC
 - ▶ No tech
 - ▶ Low tech
 - ▶ Medium tech
 - ▶ High tech

What we covered

- ▶ Access points
 - ▶ Direct selection with finger point, toe point, head or chin stick, infrared pointer, eye gaze
 - ▶ Scanning with a switch

What we covered

- ▶ Individuals participate in a role-playing exercise
 - ▶ A first responder
 - ▶ A “victim” who may have been given a communication system
 - ▶ Given 1 of 6 different scenarios to solve

What we covered

- ▶ Following the scenarios:
 - ▶ Q & A about how they solved their scenarios
 - ▶ Provided additional tips
 - ▶ Invited them to attend other AAC activities on our campus
 - ▶ Post-training survey

Responses From Participants

- ▶ We are analyzing data collected from approximately 700 participants
- ▶ Verbal comments

Call To Action!

- ▶ We can't do it all ourselves!!!
- ▶ How to get contact information for area first responders

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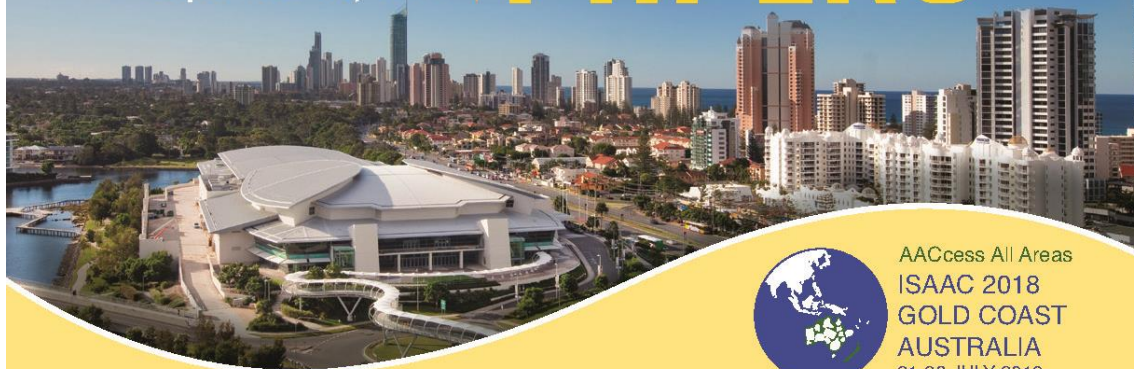
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