

## MEDICALERT LEAP PROGRAM

Provides FREE Services for Community Members and FREE Resources for Law Enforcement Agencies to Improve Outcomes During Wandering Emergencies.

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The statistics are frightening. 6 out of 10 persons with Alzheimer's will wander/become lost. 50% of individuals with autism will elope. They are often drawn to water & traffic.

If wandering residents are not located within 24 hours, 61% of those are found deceased.

Additionally, wandering emergencies place a tremendous strain on law enforcement. According to the *New York Times*, search and rescue operations typically cost **\$1,500 per hour**, and low-tech rescue operations **average 9 hours**.

## **About MedicAlert Foundation:**

- International non-profit charitable organization.
- Founded in 1956 by Dr. Marion and Chrissie Collins with a simple mission to help save lives by providing emergency medical information during a specific time of need, which is known as the "MedicAlert Moment".
- The Foundation has been endorsed by virtually every major national medical organization including the
  - American Hospital Association
  - American Medical Association
  - American College of Emergency Physicians
- Today, MedicAlert has millions of customers worldwide with nine international affiliates.

## HOW THE LEAP PROGRAM WORKS

Publicize Free MedicAlert Products & Services to Protect Your At-Risk Community Members

- Community registration events
- Press Releases
- Safety Fairs
- Promotional Materials

## 2 Enroll Residents in MedicAlert to Ensure Officers Have Access to Critical Information

- Community registration forms provided
- Law enforcement enters residents' information into MedicAlert online portal
- MedicAlert creates medical ID and ships directly to residents

### Receive Free Training & Resources for Your Agency's Officers

- Ensure officers in field know how to utilize MedicAlert IDs to access critical information via MedicAlert's 24/7 Emergency Response Center (more info on back side)
- Online training and regional training opportunities available

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## How MedicAlert Helps Law Enforcement During Wandering Incidents:

### MEDICALERT'S 24/7 EMERGENCY RESPONSE CENTER

Call the 800# engraved on MedicAlert IDs and connect with our Emergency Response Center, which grants law enforcement with immediate access to our member's health information. MedicAlert Foundation's Emergency Response Center is staffed by medically trained personnel who then:

- Communicate vital medical information including medical conditions, medications and dosages, and allergies.
- Connect law enforcement with family/caregivers to ensure they are safely returned home and reunited with loved ones.
- Transmit medical records, if needed, to the responding hospital to ensure proper treatment and care.

# How MedicAlert Helps Families During Wandering Incidents:

## MEDICALERT'S DEMENTIA & AUTISM SERVICES

Services provided in partnership with national partners: Alzheimer's Association and National Autism Association



+ safe return



#### MedicAlert + Safe Return

24/7 Wandering & Emergency Response Services for Individuals with Dementia





#### **MedicAlert Found for Autism**

24/7 Wandering & Emergency Response Services for Individuals with Autism/ Cognitive Disorders

When a MedicAlert member is reported missing, we establish a community network with local law enforcement, family and local support agency (local Alzheimer's and autism organizations, etc). When the member is found, we provide law enforcement with medical history and provide family contact information to ensure the member is safely returned home.

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