## Activating Community Champions in Resuscitation:

Partnering for Change



## **Presenter Disclosure Information**

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#### FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE:

• None

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• None



## **Learning Objectives**

1. Examine how to develop and support volunteer groups to enhance cardiac arrest response

2. Analyze ways to assist local volunteer organizations to improve partnership upon return to your community



## 7 Rivers Cardiac Arrest Preparedness and Education (7R CAPE)





# What we Do:

- Help people order and install AED's, pads, batteries
- Answer questions and problem solve, refer to sources (>100 contacts/year)
- Provide free, non-certified CPR/AED trainings (goal 500 pp/year)
- Sponsor and host the Annual Heroes and Survivors Banquet attended by over 170 EMS professionals, volunteers and survivors (11<sup>th</sup> Annual 2023)
- Assist communities with Heart Safe Applications
- Available for PR work and stories/demonstration/education
- Partner with Stop the Bleed and Narcan coalitions
- Participate in events to raise awareness: parades, sporting events
- Identify and support survivors and their families











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## Strengths

- Access
- Connections
- Passion
- Focus
- Free!
- Stories
- Non-medical; Talk the talk
- Non-Denominational
- Heart Safe Communities





# Sudden Cardiac Arrest and You!





# Challenges/How can Your Organization Support Volunteer Groups

- Volunteers: Identifying, engaging
- Skills: Tech, Public Speaking, Teaching, Administration
- Database and data management
- Non-profit management
- Financial support
- Communications: with EMS, Healthcare, Fire, Police; Getting their message out; Coordinating services
- Privacy
- Feeling valued



## Keep it FUN!!!



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#### Don't miss the Awards Announcement and Closing Ceremony

## Saturday 12:35 - 1:00 PM



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