

# Emergency and Disaster Planning

It is more than a yearly drill or 911 call



Thursday, April 12, 2018

8:30 am to 1:00 pm

at

The Arc of Blair County

431 Jackson Avenue

Altoona, PA 16602

814.946.1011

Registration opens at 7:30 am  
(coffee/continental breakfast) \*no cost

It will never happen to us. Not at my agency, not in Blair County. That is what the people in Louisiana, Texas, Puerto Rico and, regionally, at Hyndman said.

The fact is, Blair County is ripe for a large-scale emergency due to the railroad tracks that run throughout the county. An emergency does not have to be catastrophic in nature. It can be severe winter cold or storms that prohibit services to be provided, or it can be a building fire, or automobile or van accident. What is your agency protocol for these situations?

A committee, comprised of a wide network of Blair County disability agencies and health organizations, and in partnership with First Responders and the Emergency Management Department, is planning a training that will have us rethinking what we know to do in an emergency.

- This free seminar is for agencies and providers who work with mental health, behavioral health, intellectual, physical or other disabilities.
- Management, coordinators, and direct care staff are encouraged to attend.
- This training is not for families or individuals with a disability.
- An interactive tabletop exercise will occur with a First Responder at each table.
- Learn what to do if part of the county is forced to evacuate.
- Develop a plan if First Responders cannot get to you or shelter-in-place is enacted
- Pack to Go Kits to keep at group homes and agencies if evacuation is necessary

Emergency Preparedness  
for People with Disabilities



Blair County



To register for the no cost April 12 training, visit the training page of The Arc website:

[www.thearcblair.org](http://www.thearcblair.org) 814-946-1011