



The Importance of Completing a Premise History Form

This resource provides information on the importance of completing a Premise History Form and what should be included to keep you or a loved one in your family safe in the event of an emergency.



What is a Premise History Form?

Police and other first responders respond to many types of calls to serve the community. When a police or other first responder comes to an address, they normally do not have much information. Premise History Forms are completed to better serve you, your loved one, your community and first responders. You can help prepare first responders to assist you or your family member in the safest and most effective way possible by providing necessary information on the Premise History Form.

Who should complete a Premise History Form?

You can complete a Premise History form for yourself or for a family member. If you or your loved ones have special needs or accommodations that you want first responders to be aware of, you should complete a Premise History Form.

How can I find a Premise History Form?

You can find Premise History Forms for your county on the ASERT website (<https://paautism.org/resource/ems-notification-forms/>). In counties where a form is not available, the website of the county emergency management agency or local public safety office is listed. You can reach out to these offices to learn more about the services they offer and may be able to notify the emergency responders in your area about your family member this way. Please check back regularly for updates on emergency notification forms.

What should I include in a Premise History Form?

You can include any information that you think would make it better when police or other first responder is coming to your home in an emergency. Premise History Forms can include any sensory sensitivities, special accommodations, effective soothing or coping methods, and method of communication. For example, sensitivity to lights and sirens, an iPad used as a communication device, or a weighted blanket for comfort.

What should I do after I complete the Premise History Form?

Once you complete a Premise History Form, you can take it to your local police department or county dispatch center, and they will enter the information into their computer system. You should update the Premise History Form every two years to make sure the information is up to date.

What will police or first responders do with my information?

Completing the Premise History Form is voluntary. Your information will be entered into the police or first responder computer system so if there is an emergency at your home, they will know in advance of any information that would be helpful to respond to a situation safely and effectively.