



Fall Meeting Training

Surviving the Job: Developing the 11 Best Practices Into Your Daily Routines

Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2019 | 2:45 – 4:30 pm

Belair Conference Center | Cherry/Maple Room

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Cancer is a serious threat facing today's fire service, but there are easy and low-cost ways you can lower your risks. Make plans to attend this session that will help you turn the 11 best practices for firefighter cancer prevention as outlined in the Lavender Ribbon Report into specific actions. Presenters Brian McQueen from the National Volunteer Fire Council and John M. Buckman III from the International Association of Fire Chiefs Volunteer and Combination Officers Section will explain how to incorporate these life-saving practices into your daily routines in order to reduce your exposure risks and protect yourself and your fellow firefighters from occupational cancer.

Presenters:

Brian McQueen is a retired public school district administrator with 34 years in education, and currently serves on the school board as their Vice President. He has been in the volunteer fire service since 1977, serving as Past Chief and President of the Whitesboro Volunteer Fire Department. Brian is a Past Director for the Firemen's Association of the State of New York, and currently is serving as their Interim Director of Office Affairs. He is also a Past Deputy Fire Coordinator; Co-Founder of the Believe 271 Foundation Inc., a foundation formed to assist volunteer firefighters battling cancer and life-threatening illness; serves on the NVFC Executive Committee; and is Chair of the NVFC Cancer Focus Area. Brian is a co-author of the Lavender Ribbon Report and speaks on the national level on the topic of occupational cancer in the fire service.

Chief John M. Buckman III served 35 years as fire chief for the German Township (Indiana) Volunteer Fire Department, and 15 years as director of the fire and public safety academy for the Indiana State Fire Marshal Office. He is the Director of Government and Regional Outreach for IamResponding.com. Buckman is a past president of the International Association of Fire Chiefs and a co-founder of the IAFC Volunteer and Combination Officers Section. In 1996, Fire Chief Magazine named Buckman Volunteer Fire Chief of the Year. Buckman is an accomplished photographer, a co-author of the Lesson Learned from Fire-Rescue Leaders, and the editor of the Chief Officers Desk Reference. Buckman is the owner of Wildfire Productions. Buckman is a member of the Fire Chief/FireRescue1 Editorial Advisory Board.