

## **Code Red – Returning to scenes of traumatic events**

All members are aware that dealing with traumatic events and critical incidents can be mentally and emotionally demanding, and that subsequent exposures to the scene of these events can have a damaging impact on the mental health of our members.

Due to a recent direction to members who attended a critical incident to participate in reactive Home Fire Safety visits in the immediate area of the incident, the State Committee has resolved that:

- members who attend a traumatic event or critical incident, are hereby not to elect or be directed back to that area to conduct Community Activities until further notice from the State Secretary;
- and encourage all members to submit a NIIENM's form for these types of events.

In Unity

Leighton Drury State Secretary