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Violence & Injury Prevention Program
Saint Francis Hospital & Medical Center

Dear Child Advocate:

We are excited to announce that the **Kids In Safety Seats – CT Program** an initiative of the Violence and Injury Prevention Program of the Trauma/Surgery Department at Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center will offer an upcoming National Certification Training for Child Passenger Safety, Course ID CT #20160411394, on October 15, 16, 22 and 23, 2016. Class times run from 8AM to 5PM. The course will take place at the Innovation + Learning Center at Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center (260 Ashley Street, Hartford, CT) Parking Lot C entrance.

The cost of the class is \$285. Of that fee, **\$85.00 is paid online** to Safe Kids Worldwide (www.cert.safeduring the time you register, and the remaining **\$200.00 is to be sent to the Violence and Injury Prevention Program** (checks only), which pays for administrative, safety products and programming costs. The check should be made **payable Violence and Injury Prevention Program** and mailed to the address below; it should be received no later than October 3, 2016.

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Dress: Please plan to dress comfortably and remember that we will be participating in both indoor and outdoor activities each day of class. Law enforcement should plan not to wear gun belts, if policy allows.

To sign up, go to <http://cert.safekids.org/> - click on "Find a Course"- and follow the directions.

This 32-hour program is designed to educate individuals to become Child Passenger Safety Technicians. Topics covered include: the need for child passenger safety programs, relevant federal legislation and safety standards, crash dynamics, vehicle occupant protection systems, selection, installation and use of child safety seats, misuse and compatibility issues, and organizing and coordinating a child seat checkup event. Teaching strategies include lecture, hands-on practice, and group discussion. Written and performance examinations are given throughout the program. Participation in all course activities and successful performance on all examinations leads to national certification as a Child Passenger Safety Technician. The certification period is two years.

Individuals who obtain certification should be willing to serve as a child passenger safety resource for their organization and the community. After successful completion of the Certification training you will be:

- equipped to provide basic awareness about child passenger safety issues
- able to provide basic instruction in child passenger safety to families and caregivers.

If you are interested in becoming a Child Passenger Safety Technician, please contact me at 860-970-9839, or via email mfelicia@stfranciscare.org for more information.

Respectfully,



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