



## PULSE LINE SEMINARS

# INTERACTING WITH PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES (IWD)

IWD provides first responders with tools to recognize characteristics and traits of various disabilities and mental health disorders and provides best practices and up-to-date approaches, techniques, and communication tools to promote more positive interactions with people with disabilities. This course includes:

- ADA requirements and accommodations
- Overview of various characteristics of physical and developmental disabilities to include, deaf, cerebral palsy, seizure disorders, autism, downs syndrome, IDD and others
- Anti-escalation techniques used to avoid sending someone into a meltdown or crisis
- De-escalation techniques if someone is already in crisis, especially those with intellectual disabilities
- IDD and mental health resources available for first responders

**REGISTRATION: 7:30 AM**

**TRAINING: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM**

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## DATES & LOCATIONS

THUR.  
**APR**  
**03**

### GRAND JUNCTION

Convention Center  
159 Main Street  
Grand Junction, CO 81501

THUR.  
**APR**  
**17**

### CASTLE ROCK

Holiday Inn Express  
610 Genoa Way  
Castle Rock, CO 80109

To register, click on the location links above or email [channac@cirsa.org](mailto:channac@cirsa.org).

- Morning beverages & catered lunch will be provided.
- The cost of the training is **FREE** for members, however, space is limited and registration is required.

## PRESENTER



### **ALI THOMPSON** **CEO & CHIEF** **DEVELOPMENT AND** **TRAINING OFFICER**

Ali Thompson is a dynamic national speaker who develops and presents continuing education training on numerous specialized investigation

techniques and first responder interactions with people with disabilities. Ali served over 25 years in the field of law enforcement as a dispatcher, patrol officer, field training officer, and detective investigating both property crimes and crimes against persons.

In 2013, she became a criminal investigator with the State of Colorado and later worked at the Attorney General's office where she investigated allegations of abuse and neglect of at-risk persons. She was appointed to the Colorado Developmental Disabilities Council in 2019 where she served for 5 years and also chaired the Legislative and Public Policy Committee.

Ali has a strong passion for serving others, which led her to create Pulse Line Collaborative Training. With her deep professional and personal understanding of the issues involved in these areas – she is the proud mother of two children with significant disabilities – PLCT is able to offer an in-depth educational experience on law enforcement and disability issues.