

Responder Quick Card

A fold-over card for a wallet, backpack, wheelchair pouch, or go-bag. It travels with the person when you cannot.

I may need help. Please read.

Responder card

Call me

Give me time: wait about (seconds)

I communicate by

☐ Speech

☐ Few words

☐ AAC device

☐ Sign / ASL

☐ Non-speaking

☐ May not follow commands

☐ Unexpected touch may upset me

What helps me

Please avoid

Please call

graymattersalliance.com/reunification

First contact and phone

Second contact and phone

Urgent medical need or allergy, and by when

Equipment that must stay with me

My full profile is held by (name or agency)

In danger or hurt? Call 911 first. Release me only to my contacts or the agency above.

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What goes on the card. Only what a stranger needs in the first minute: what to call the person, how they communicate, what helps, what to avoid, who to call, and anything time-critical. Everything else stays on the full profile.

Where it goes. Somewhere responders look: a wallet, the front pocket of a backpack, a wheelchair or walker pouch, or clipped inside a coat. Tell the person it is there, if they can understand, and ask their permission to carry it.

What stays off the card. Home address, date of birth, diagnosis, Social Security or Medicaid numbers, and any passwords. If the card is lost, a stranger should learn nothing that puts the person at risk.

Keep it current. Update it when you review the profile, every 6 months or after a change in contacts, medications, or equipment. Shred the old card.