



# Informational Bulletin

## Safety Stand Down 2019

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Safety Stand Down 2019 has been taking place this week. It is running from June 16-22, 2019. This event highlights critical safety, health, and survival issues for the fire and emergency services. All personnel have been asked to take the week of June 16-22 to focus their attention on safety and health education and training. A week is provided to ensure all duty shifts can participate.

This year's theme has been **REDUCE YOUR EXPOSURE: IT'S EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY**. Cancer is one of the most serious threats facing firefighters, but there are specific actions you can take to lessen the risks to yourself and your crew.

In response to this year's theme we have been working to establish training and procedures for use of Post-Incident Exposure Reduction Kits. These kits will be carried on all engines and specialty apparatus within the Fauquier County Fire Rescue System. Training will be online and the use of these procedures and the contents within the kits can reduce hazardous carcinogen exposure by as much as 85%. Please expect to see these items in your stations and the training to be released by the end of this week.

Additional literature and resources have also been brought to each station to be displayed. Please keep these items posted and use them as a reminder of what each and every person can do to reduce their own risk every day.

Questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Battalion Chief Lorenzen.