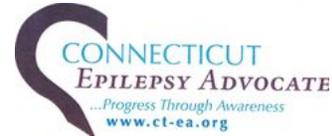


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RapidSOS and Connecticut Epilepsy Advocate partner to provide enhanced access to emergency services for people with epilepsy

- 240 million¹ 9-1-1 calls are made every year in the U.S.; over 70%² are from mobile phones, which fail to provide exact location to emergency dispatchers
- 1 in 26 people will develop epilepsy at sometime in their life.³
- Haven represents a transformation in access to emergency services – from a phone call solely dependent on voice to a robust data connection for voice, text, medical/demographic data

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Connecticut Epilepsy Advocate today announced a partnership with [RapidSOS](#), an advanced emergency technology start-up revolutionizing personal safety and family security. The partnership will provide the RapidSOS Haven mobile app for one year free, enhancing communication with emergency services and providing unprecedented family connectivity. Haven sends important data to 9-1-1 to aid in fast emergency response and better situational awareness for first responders.

Working together, RapidSOS and Connecticut Epilepsy Advocate will support those with epilepsy and their families, by connecting them to loved ones and providing peace of mind that emergency help is one touch away. With one tap on Haven, the app connects the user with the nearest dispatch center anywhere in the contiguous U.S., while providing a voice connection and a data pipeline to 9-1-1, to transmit:

- Precise location
- Type of emergency
- Relevant medical and demographic data
- Text messages: Haven speaks the text message if the dispatch center does not have the capability to receive texts. Currently works one-way (user to 9-1-1); two-way coming in future

“We are honored to partner with Connecticut Epilepsy Advocate to give members of the epilepsy community free access to the Haven app,” said RapidSOS co-founder and CEO Michael Martin. “Haven empowers people with epilepsy by giving them the ability to reach emergency help wherever they are, all while staying connected to their families.”

When setting up the app, users enter medical conditions, allergies, and medications, so that if an emergency occurs, life-saving information is communicated directly to 9-1-1. Additionally, after an alert has been triggered, Haven notifies emergency contacts, so that family and friends are informed. The Haven app also includes access to RapidSOS’ Family Connect feature. For the first time, people can call 9-1-1 on behalf of a loved one, transmitting their loved one’s location and relevant data directly to the

¹ National Emergency Number Association. <http://www.nena.org/?page=911Statistics>

² National 911 Program. *Review of Nationwide 911 Data Collection*. <http://www.911.gov/pdf/current911datacollection-072613.pdf>

³ Epilepsy Foundation. <http://www.epilepsy.com/learn/epilepsy-statistics>

dispatch center closest to them. Additionally, Family Connect allows users to share their location with loved ones, see family members' real-time locations without the distraction of a phone call or text, and easily ask family and friends for help. A user can choose who can see their location and when it is shared, ensuring privacy and control.

"This partnership between RapidSOS and Connecticut Epilepsy Advocate allows us to provide another important tool for people with epilepsy," said Robert Fiore. "We want to ensure that people with epilepsy have all they tools they need to live life as uninterrupted by epilepsy as possible."

RapidSOS is offering Haven for free for one year to those associated with Connecticut Epilepsy Advocate, when they sign up [here](#). The Haven app is available for iPhone and Android devices and works anywhere across the contiguous U.S. and Hawaii, with one touch emergency calling in over 250 countries and jurisdictional territories. For more information about RapidSOS and the Haven app, visit www.rapidsos.com.

About RapidSOS

RapidSOS was formed in 2012 by a team of M.I.T., Harvard, and Stanford grad students who had personal experiences with the challenges of the existing emergency communication infrastructure. Working closely with the 9-1-1 community, tech and telecom companies, and leading investors, RapidSOS is developing technology to predict and preempt emergencies before they occur, dynamically warn people in harm's way, and ensure that first responders are one touch away globally. Learn more at www.RapidSOS.com

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About Connecticut Epilepsy Advocate

The Connecticut Epilepsy Advocate was formed as an alternative organization to make more people "Aware about Epilepsy". The Connecticut Epilepsy Advocate is different from other organizations. The goal of the organization is to help people living with Epilepsy in any way possible. A few of the many things address by the organization, include Medic Alert bracelets and wrist chain that can tell an EMT, doctor, or even a stranger that you have Epilepsy. The organization has even design an I.C.E. (In Case of Emergency) sheet. The Connecticut Epilepsy Advocate was founded on November 11, 2009 along with its official website.

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