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#### New Jersey Disaster Critical Incident Stress Response







In times of stress, First Responders turn to us. The New Jersey Disaster Critical
Incident Stress Response Team
Program was established through a
grant offered by the NJ Office of
Victim Witness Advocacy. It allowed
the Office of Employee and
Organization Development (OEOD)
and University of Medicine and
Dentistry of NJ (UMDNJ),
University of Behavioral Healthcare
(UBHC) to collaborate its efforts
on First Responders victimized
by disaster response after September
11th, 2001.

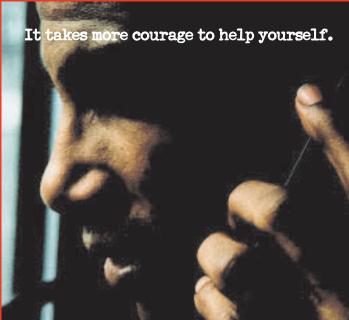
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### On 9-11

## You were there for them We're here for you

On September 11th, 2001, you survived the worst terrorist attack in the history of our country. Reliving your experience can be emotionally overwhelming. That's why there's The New Jersey Disaster Critical Incident Stress Response.



# NJDCISR helps you deal with the emotional stresses of your job

When your life is centered around helping other people, it is often difficult to ask for help yourself. We understand. Many of our counselors have gone through similar experiences. So they know how to listen and provide the kind of insight and support you need at crucial times in your life.

#### 24-hour hotline: 866-4U-NJ-1ST

We offer confidential 24-hour hotline services in support of our New Jersey First Responders. We can offer help in the following areas:

- Crisis Intervention
- Peer Support
- Clinical Services
- Training Programs
- Referral Services



## Test yourself for these stress symptoms

If you are experiencing any of these symptoms, try simple stress reduction techniques. If you checked many boxes, you may require more than simple relaxation techniques. Consider asking a professional counselor for help in dealing with the stressors in your life.

- Fatigue
- ☐ Sleeplessness
- ☐ *Irritability, anxiety or depression*
- ☐ A change in appetite
- ☐ Headache, backache or chest pain
- ☐ Noticeably negative attitude
- **¬** Numbness
- ☐ Feeling overwhelmed or out of control
- $\square$  Poor concentration
- ☐ Little things bothering you
- ☐ Frequent crying
- ☐ Muscle spasms
- ☐ Constipation or diarrhea
- ☐ Shortness of breath
- ☐ Difficulty controlling temper

