

"LOOSE LIPSSINK SHIPS"



One of the many reminders heard during WW II still holds true today. What we say as searchers and radio operators may not only lead to disastrous results, it may also cost you, your unit or county \$\$ in fines. A subject's health information is now under federal mandate. HIPAA, The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, is very specific on what can be said about an individual's health condition be it word of mouth or over the air.

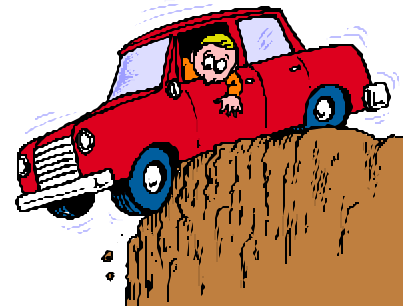
So what do we need to know?



Mark your calendar for September 7th to learn the do's and don'ts behind the act. Marina Zuetell, N7LSL, Communications Technology Specialist with the State Dept. of Health will be on hand to give us a brief tour through this maze of directives. Marina is also the Western Washington Medical Services Communications Director with an excellent background in what SAR and Communications personnel need to know about this law.

STRESS

While the cartoons may be entertaining, stress can be very real and frightening. Most deal effectively with everyday stress but as volunteer SAR and communicators are we prepared for **Critical Incident Stress**. The scenes and drama we sometimes encounter may add a type of stress to our lives we don't even know is there. It is this type of stress fire and law deal with on a daily basis but may be totally foreign to us.



Hear Kelley Thompson, a member of the Grays Harbor EMS Critical Incident Stress Debriefing team explain what to look for in ourselves and team members. How to control this stress and what the CISD team can do to help individuals and groups will also be part of her program. The Grays Harbor Communications dispatcher will also discuss **Adrenalin** and how this usual friendly body chemical can turn and place us in some deadly situations.



ALL SAR AND COMMUNICATIONS PERSONNEL ARE MOST WELCOME

WHERE: Grays Harbor Forestry Building, 2nd floor, 310 W. Spruce, Montesano, WA

WHEN: Wednesday, September 7th, 7 PM

Please RSVP to wenzel@olynet.com or (360) 532-7470 if attending so we have enough seating.

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