# Who will speak for you if you can't?

- Having accurate and timely information is extremely important in a medical emergency.
- Many times, the stress and anxiety caused by a medical emergency overwhelms the patient or family member's ability to provide accurate information.
- The treatments that emergency responders and hospital personnel provide can be significantly influenced by your medical history, medications you take and the allergies you have

The Vial of Life helps ensure that Emergency Responders have the correct information at the right time so that medical professionals can provide proper treatment.

## **Contact Us**

For information on this program or to pick up a Vial of Life toolkit, please contact us at:



Durham County Emergency Medical Services 201 N Roxboro St., 3rd floor Durham, North Carolina 27701 Office (919) 560-8285

# Durham County EMS Vial of Life

**L**ifesaving **I**nformation **F**or **E**mergencies

Saving Time...



...Saving Lives

# It's a quick and simple way to help protect you and your family.

To complete the **Vial of Life**, follow these simple steps:

- 1. Fill out a Durham EMS Vial of Life information sheet for any occupant in your household that may require special attention during an emergency.
- 2. Roll up the information sheet and place them into the prescription bottle.
- 3. Place the prescription bottle in your refrigerator on the top shelf, condiment shelf or in a highly visible location.
- 4. Place the decal on the outside of your refrigerator in a highly visible location.
- 5. An additional Vial of Life can be kept in the glove compartment of your vehicle. Be sure to place a decal on your rear windshield for emergency responders.







# If you need help filling out your Vial of Life information sheet...

• Contact your doctor OR EMS will be able to assist you with any questions you may have.

### **New Information Sheets:**

- Be sure to keep all of your medical information up to date!
- Fill out a new information sheet anytime your medical information changes, including new diagnosed medical conditions or prescriptions.

### Need more vials?

Not a problem! You can obtain a new Vial of Life by stopping by our headquarters located at:

201 N. Roxboro Street 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Durham, NC 27701 P: 919-560-8285

Or you can submit a request through Durham One Call!



