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For Immediate Release:

The Epilepsy Advocacy Network, affiliate of Epilepsy Alliance of America, will be hosting a virtual Town hall meeting to kick off Epilepsy Awareness Month in November!
 This forum will be a way for our local and national politicians to meet with their constituents either to hear from them on topics of interest or to discuss specific upcoming legislation or regulation.

ORGANIZATION: Epilepsy Advocacy Network of Illinois & Eastern Iowa, Affiliate of Epilepsy Alliance of America
HEADLINE: Epilepsy Advocacy Network of Illinois & Eastern Iowa, Affiliate of Epilepsy Alliance of America to Host Virtual Town Hall to kick off National Epilepsy Awareness Month
DATE: October 31, 2020
TIME: 10:30a.m.
LOCATION: ZOOM – Log into <https://zoom.us/join>
 Meeting ID - 925 433 8618
 Password – EANIL

URL FOR MORE INFORMATION: epilepsyadvocacynetwork.org

ABOUT THE EVENT: The Epilepsy Advocacy Network of Illinois & Eastern Iowa is challenging everyone in the local community to find ways to use their brains during National Epilepsy Awareness Month in November. The Network is hosting a virtual town hall on Saturday October 31, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. through ZOOM. The goal is to bring attention to epilepsy and epilepsy funding, a disorder that affects more than 170,000 people and their families in Illinois and Iowa. These efforts are part of the Epilepsy Advocacy Network of Illinois & Eastern Iowa’s 2020 message for Epilepsy Awareness Month to create focus on Epilepsy & Seizure disorders and to change the conversation around seizures. According to the [World Health Organization](http://www.who.int), epilepsy is the most common serious brain disorder worldwide with no age, racial, social class, national or geographic boundaries. The [U.S. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention](http://www.cdc.gov) (CDC) estimates that 3.4 million people in the United States are affected by epilepsy. “For the epilepsy community, every day is ‘epilepsy awareness’ day,” says Erika Fleck, Service Coordinator of the Epilepsy Advocacy Network. “But, November is the time of the year for our community to come together to promote awareness, education, and rally others to take action. This year, we are challenging everyone in the community to join us in finding ways to increase awareness, education, and funding for epilepsy and make sure everyone knows how to offer first aid to someone having a seizure.

If you would like an opportunity to talk Pre-Registration is REQUIRED as we will have limited time. You will be allowed 2 minutes to speak during your turn. All microphones will be muted except for speaker and moderator. You can reserve a spot by emailing eanillinois@gmail.com
 Program will be recorded in its entirety for dissemination at a later date.

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