

About the Presenters

John Putt is an associate member of the Alpine Rescue Team. He has over 30 years of experience as an EMS professional, paramedic, paramedic captain, firefighter and field instructor. For the past ten years, John has developed training programs for first responders. He continues to instruct first responders in Mass Casualty Incident Command Systems. John served on the San Francisco Fire Department as an Acting Paramedic Rescue Captain and instructor for SFFD Paramedic Training Academy and Paramedic Association. John was directly involved in the recovery of 30 victims from the 1970 Wichita State University airplane crash as a member of the Alpine Rescue Team, rescue of victims of dehydration during World Youth Day in 1992, and in the rescue of flood survivors in 1976 Big Thompson Canyon Flood. The smaller, multiple patient events in John's career involve numerous incidents with 3 or more critically injured patients from shootings, auto accidents, and apartment fires. John recognizes the value in applying the same system, templates and processes to these small incidents to prepare for large scale incidents.

Jerry Petrilli is a current member of Alpine Rescue Team which is a Mountain Rescue Association certified team. The team is located in Evergreen, Colorado and has primary responsibility for a three county area with diversified high altitude terrain. This terrain dictates search and rescue knowledge in various disciplines including: avalanche, high angle, search, and scree evacuation. Prior to entering Alpine Rescue Team he spent over 29 years in Federal Law Enforcement with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (A.T.F.). He served in various assignments, including the Special Response Teams (SWAT), Special Agent in Charge of the Tactical Response Branch, and as the Resident Agent in Charge of the Tactical Response Branch, and as the Resident Agent in Charge in Denver, Colorado. Jerry is a graduate of Adams State College in Alamosa, Colorado and a former Marine and Vietnam veteran.