

# ADA Volunteer Leadership Professional Award



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In 2000, people with diabetes were becoming seriously ill when they were denied food and medication in Philadelphia jails. The American Diabetes Association - along with seven people with diabetes who had been denied essential care fought back. They filed *Rosen v. City of Philadelphia*, a federal class action lawsuit. The successful settlement of that case has made Philadelphia a

model for treatment of people with diabetes who are arrested. It resulted in the creation materials that are used around the country to train law enforcement officers on how to respond to diabetes emergencies.

The ADA Volunteer Leadership Professional Award is presented to the legal team whose dedication to justice made this victory for people with diabetes possible.

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