

This visor card is intended to be a tool to improve communication and ease access for individuals with aphasia who drive or are a passenger in a vehicle. The card should be placed on the back side of the visor. Should an individual be approached by law enforcement, they should safely keep his/her hands on the steering wheel and wait until the officer is at the window to indicate the presence of the visor card.





Other problem

An individual in this vehicle has APHASIA

Aphasia is a communication disorder that is the result of stroke or other brain injury. A person with aphasia may have difficulty talking, understanding what others are saying to them, reading, writing and/or doing calculations with numbers. Please do not assume that they are under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Individuals with aphasia are competent and intelligent; they can make their own decisions. You can communicate better with an individual with aphasia if you:

- □ Write down the key words that you are saying.
- □ Provide enough time to have the person respond to your statement or question.
- □ Verify what you heard, but be careful of accepting yes/no responses, as these are often impaired.
- □ Use gestures or drawing and encourage the individual to do the same.

For more information or assistance, contact the National Aphasia Association at answers@aphasia.org

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