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## **County Health Department Leads STOP THE BLEED Training Teaches New York State Association of County Health Officials Staff**

(Albany, NY)-- Staff from the New York State Association of County Health Officials (NYSACHO) recently took part in a STOP THE BLEED training program led by the Montgomery County Health Department.

STOP THE BLEED is an international program initiated by a federal interagency workgroup. The program partners with numerous government, not-for-profit and commercial organizations to save lives by raising awareness of basic actions to stop life threatening bleeding following everyday emergencies and man-made and natural disasters.

Advances made by military medicine and research in hemorrhage control during the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq have informed the work of this initiative which exemplifies translation of knowledge back to the homeland to the benefit of the general public.

Montgomery County Health Director Sara Boerenko said: “The collaboration with NYSACHO and the Montgomery County Health Department continues to grow and flourish. Providing this training allows both teams to showcase the important work each organization strives to accomplish.”

NYSACHO Executive Director Sarah Ravenhall said: “The STOP THE BLEED training gives individuals the tools they need to be prepared to respond to a bleeding injury, and adds an important element to overall emergency preparedness. The training provided by the Montgomery County Public Health Department is a great demonstration of how our local public health workers help save lives. We are so grateful to them for coming out and showing us public health in practice.”

Montgomery County Executive Matthew L. Ossenfort said: “We are proud of the dedication of our Health Department and their effort to continue STOP THE BLEED outreach. They have trained hundreds of people in our community and those numbers continue to grow.”

To learn more about this initiative, visit: [www.stopthebleed.org](http://www.stopthebleed.org)



Staff from the New York State Association of County Health Officials NYSACHO pictured with employees of the Montgomery County Health Department after receiving STOP THE BLEED training.