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Safety and Health Topics: Emergency Preparedness Bulletin

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The KCER Program: Lessons Learned and Looking Ahead



As part of Kidney Awareness Month, Healthcare Ready invited KCER to discuss lessons learned from recent hurricane seasons. This article shares insights on how KCER plans to improve ESRD emergency management by working with all stakeholder partners.

Read More: <https://tinyurl.com/y3lv3mq7>

Tornado Season Safety



Tornado season begins in March, with activities increasing throughout the month and peaking in April, May, and June. Tornadoes are violent events that can cause death. Understanding what to do before, during, and after a tornado can help you and your family survive a major tornado unharmed.

Read more: <https://tinyurl.com/y6xgut2u>

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Keeping Food Safe in a Power Outage

In the event of a power outage, food in your refrigerator should be safe if the power is out no longer than four hours and the door stays closed. The Food and Drug Administration provides some additional food safety tips in the video link below to ensure you stay safe in the event of a power outage.

Watch Now: <https://tinyurl.com/y283czx6>



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Survey Shows More Americans Are Prepared for a Major Emergency

The results of a recent study conducted by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) show that more Americans are preparing for major disasters. Experts say the best way to reduce the chance of being surprised by a disaster is to make a plan.

Read More: <https://tinyurl.com/y6xhlnq>

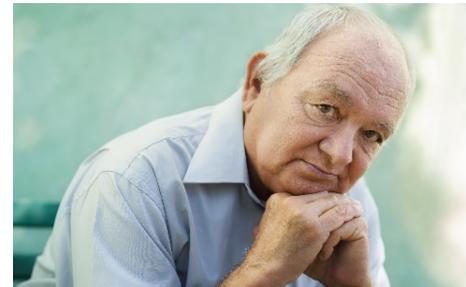


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Coping with Traumatic Events

Natural disasters are sudden events that can cause stress and anxiety. It is common for people who have gone through a traumatic event to feel a sense of loss and helplessness. If you or a loved one recently experienced stress or anxiety because due to a disaster or emergency, this article gives you guidance on when and where to find help.

Read More: <https://tinyurl.com/y2adu7wj>



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Emergency Preparedness Tabletop Exercises

Tabletop exercises are an important step in any emergency preparedness and recovery plan. They are used to clarify roles and responsibilities and to identify additional preparedness needs. Dialysis organizations can find emergency preparedness tabletop exercises on the KCER website. Dialysis organizations can also use the resources to meet the exercise requirement that is part of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Emergency Preparedness Final Rule.

Read More: <https://tinyurl.com/y2qtu3nw>



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