



## Disaster Preparation and Recovery

### Tracking Health Care Facilities During Emergencies

An emergency status system (EES) that tracks residential and inpatient health care facilities during emergencies, including evacuations, power outages, and structural damage to facilities affected by hurricanes, can be used by other state agencies and entities interested in monitoring storm-affected areas. An ESS web portal allows health care providers and authorized representatives to enter facility information. For more information, please contact Molly Mckinstry at (850) 414-9796 or [mckinstm@ahca.myflorida.com](mailto:mckinstm@ahca.myflorida.com). 2007 AHCA-002

### Emergency Contact Database

An employee emergency contact/location tracking database system reduces time developing and maintaining emergency contact and location information on Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services employees. For more information, please contact Paul Palmiotto at (850) 921-6235 or [palmiop@doacs.state.fl.us](mailto:palmiop@doacs.state.fl.us). 2007 DACS-001

### Identification of Construction Contractors Causing Post-Hurricane Harm

New procedures to facilitate identification of construction contractors causing post-hurricane harm to consumers resulted in quicker revocation of licenses. For more information, please contact Jerry Wilson at (850) 410-3475 or [jerry.wilson@dbpr.state.fl.us](mailto:jerry.wilson@dbpr.state.fl.us). 2007 DBPR-027

### Employee Disaster Planning Web Based Tool

A web based tool provides Department of Children and Families managers, supervisors, employees, and human resources professionals relevant and timely information for disaster planning and recovery operations. The Agency for Persons with Disabilities also has access to this webpage, which includes information on office closings, timesheet preparation, leaves of absence, compensation, disaster recovery reporting, and frequently asked questions. The web page is updated for each declared tropical storm, hurricane and disaster. For more information, please contact Linda Wotring at (850) 922-5145 or [linda\\_wotring@dcf.state.fl.us](mailto:linda_wotring@dcf.state.fl.us). 2007 DCF-089

### Remote Access Portal for Telecommuting and Emergency Applications

A secure internet portal enables the Department of Children and Families to expand its capability to provide access to services by clients, community partners, and department staff who work from home or other remote locations - especially during emergencies. This initiative positions the department for additional savings when, during emergency operations, temporary staff are deployed to help handle increased demand for services. Limited access can be granted to temporary staff at almost no cost. For more information, please contact David Warfel at (850) 922-6347 or [david\\_warfel@dcf.state.fl.us](mailto:david_warfel@dcf.state.fl.us). 2007 DCF-098

### MyFlorida Family and Individual Help Website

A simple "one-click" search mechanism assists citizens seeking assistance on disaster relief. A link goes directly to the point of desired information, not just to an agency. For more information, please contact Mike Gardner at (850) 487-8944 or [mike\\_gardner@dcf.state.fl.us](mailto:mike_gardner@dcf.state.fl.us). 2007 DCF-102

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### **Special Needs Shelter Client Discharge**

A needs assessment tool developed by the Departments of Elder Affairs and Health helps emergency managers, program staff and community outreach volunteers rapidly determine the needs of vulnerable populations in community shelters and disaster recovery centers regarding housing, medical, nutrition, clothing, transportation, food stamps and services. The tool has become a national best practice for discharge planning for special needs shelters and community outreach and disaster recovery centers. For more information, please contact Fran Brooks at (850) 414-2046 or [brooksf@elderaffairs.org](mailto:brooksf@elderaffairs.org). 2007 DEA-002

### **Hurricane Preparedness Manual**

A hurricane preparedness manual for state parks includes a step-by-step guide to hurricane preparedness, safety during and after a storm, tracking forms needed for submission of Federal Emergency Management Agency paperwork, and emergency assets/phone numbers. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Haslage at (772) 546-0900 or [elizabeth.haslage@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:elizabeth.haslage@dep.state.fl.us). 2007 DEP-015

### **Enterprise Exender Communications Technology**

A transmission control protocol network for systems network architecture improves the Department of Financial Services' ability to simplify disaster recovery procedures. For more information, please contact Dana Rupp at (850) 413-2262 or [dana.rupp@fldfs.com](mailto:dana.rupp@fldfs.com). 2007 DFS-008

### **Avian Influenza Continuity of Operations Plan**

An Avian Influenza Continuity of Operations Plan developed by Department of Environmental Protection staff is intended to promote uninterrupted delivery of life-sustaining services to Florida citizens and visitors -- such as ensuring a continuous supply of clean drinking water -- even in the face of a pandemic. For more information, please contact Melinda Moody at (850) 245-2006 or [melinda.moody@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:melinda.moody@dep.state.fl.us). 2007 DEP-024

### **"Fortify Florida" Hurricane Preparedness Exposition**

The state's first Hurricane Preparedness Exposition, held in Tampa, brought together insurance companies, contractors, home improvement stores, emergency managers and other public and private sector participants to educate homeowners about tools needed to harden homes against hurricane damage and ways to reduce their insurance premiums up to 40%. For more information, please contact Audrey Brown at (850) 413-2429 or [audrey.brown@fldfs.com](mailto:audrey.brown@fldfs.com). 2007 DFS-027

### **Increased Security by Co-Locating Server Infrastructure**

Co-located all of the Division of Retirement's information technology equipment to the Shared Resource Center, a facility hurricane rated to 200 mph, provides 24/7 staffing, state of the art smoke/heat/water detection systems, fire rated walls and ceilings, redundant power, and an intrusion detection system. For more information, please contact Cathy Kreiensieck at (850) 413-9309 or [cathy.kreiensieck@dms.myflorida.com](mailto:cathy.kreiensieck@dms.myflorida.com). 2007 DMS-021

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### **Disaster Resistant Computer Facility**

A disaster-resistant computer environment eliminates downtime and weather/heat related shutdowns. For more information, please contact Pat Campbell at the Department of Education, (850) 245-9846 or [pat.campbell@fldoe.org](mailto:pat.campbell@fldoe.org). 2007 DOE-004

### **Plan to Dispense Medications and Information during Disasters**

A Residential Enclave Dispensing Plan (RED Plan) enhances the operational readiness of 22 residential enclaves in Collier County to handle health-related emergency incidents, and to mitigate demands on medical services and roadways caused by disasters. The plan provides a framework for governing bodies to design, develop and staff a dispensing/vaccination center, and to collaborate in planning, information sharing and coordination before, during and after a biological emergency. For more information, please contact Harper Simpson at (239) 732-2631 or [Harper\\_Simpson@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:Harper_Simpson@doh.state.fl.us). 2007 DOH-006

### **Master Employee Information System**

A system to manage and maintain staff's contact information, special needs shelter assignments, training records, equipment custody records, and other employee information is available from the Volusia County Health Department. For more information, please contact Jack Myers at (386) 274-0873 or [Jack\\_Myers@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:Jack_Myers@doh.state.fl.us). 2007 DOH-009

### **Emergency Vaccine Preservation Kit and DVD**

To avoid the loss of vaccine doses during emergency events, a contact and instruction kit for providers attaches to their refrigeration units for easy access. Transparent plastic sleeves with magnetic strips facilitate use of critical information. A training DVD in English and Spanish accompanies the kit. This initiative is applicable to medication requiring refrigeration in all providers' offices, not just vaccine doses. For more information, please contact Rick Barrett at (850) 245-4444 or [rick\\_barrett@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:rick_barrett@doh.state.fl.us). 2007 DOH-025

### **Personal Protection Training for First Responders**

An emergency medical services curriculum trained first responders in a consistent, standardized way, saving \$140,000 and redistributing ill-fitting equipment that was going to waste. For more information, please contact Jack Pittman at (850) 487-3146 or [jack\\_pittman@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:jack_pittman@doh.state.fl.us). 2007 DOH-028

### **Epidemiology Hurricane Response Toolkit**

The Epidemiology Hurricane Toolkit is a set of guidelines and analysis tools for county health departments to conceptualize and implement disease monitoring activities, outbreak investigation and management, and other aspects of the epidemiologic response to natural disasters such as hurricanes. The toolkit dramatically decreases field staffing. For more information, please contact Janet Hamilton at (850) 245-4444 ext. 2403 or [Janet\\_J\\_Hamilton@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:Janet_J_Hamilton@doh.state.fl.us). 2007 DOH-042



### **Reduced Administrative Costs of Disaster Reimbursement**

A disaster time keeping system increases efficiency and reduces costs associated with documentation required for Federal Emergency Management Agency reimbursement of labor costs for disaster response and recovery efforts. This system can track events of any type or size, whether local or statewide. For more information, please contact Roger Twitchell at (850) 245-4444 ext. 3028 or [Roger\\_Twitchell@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:Roger_Twitchell@doh.state.fl.us). 2007 DOH-048

### **Maintenance of Traffic Training**

Training for approximately 450 employees of the Departments of Transportation, Corrections and the Highway Patrol helps to ensure that traffic control devices will be in place during hurricane evacuations to facilitate safe travel of emergency responders on state roads and contra-flow on interstate highways. For further information, please call Ed Ward at (386) 961-7581 or [ed.ward@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:ed.ward@dot.state.fl.us). 2007 DOT-001

### **Hurricane Damage Inspection Reports**

Process mapping of the preparation of Hurricane related Detailed Damage Inspection Reports for federal reimbursement to local governments for hurricane-related damages to their roadway systems help District 4 to process the paperwork within the 180 day time limit. For more information, please contact Ann Broadwell at (954) 777-4325 or [ann.broadwell@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:ann.broadwell@dot.state.fl.us). 2007 DOT-029

### **Process to Pay Contractors for Hurricane Repairs**

A process to document Hurricane Wilma damage to ongoing construction projects in District Four resulted in more than \$2 million of reimbursements by the Federal Highway Administration. For more information, please contact Patrick McCann at (954) 777-4387 or [patrick.mccann@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:patrick.mccann@dot.state.fl.us). 2007 DOT-035

### **Remote Site For Data Preservation and Business Continuity**

A remote computing capability performs high-volume backups of operational data and provides continuity of information technology services should a disaster strike Florida State University's Tallahassee campus. For more information, please contact Carl Baker at (850) 644-2591 or [carl.baker@fsu.edu](mailto:carl.baker@fsu.edu). 2007 FSU-005

### **FEMA-Required Training**

Training on the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Incident Management System was developed at the University of Central Florida for a variety of employees. For more information, please contact Rick Grouby at (407) 823-5223 or [wgrouby@mail.ucf.edu](mailto:wgrouby@mail.ucf.edu). 2007 UCF-003