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NORTH GEORGIA HEALTH DISTRICT Newsletter

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



How do WE Prep?

Our health district is part of the Emergency Preparedness and Response network in Cherokee, Fannin, Gilmer, Murray, Pickens and Whitfield counties. For over 20 years, staff of our Award Winning Emergency Preparedness Department have coordinated plans with our local and state partners to make our residents, families, and communities better prepared for disaster, whether they are natural or man-made. [LEARN MORE](#)



North Georgia Health District staff attended the **2023 Emergency Management Association of Georgia (EMAG) Conference** in April. Pictured above, Jennifer King, PIO (far left) and Deputy Director Louise Hamrick (2nd from right) attended the meeting with our Emergency Preparedness Team: (left to right) Emergency Preparedness Specialist Lana Duff, Training Officer Ryan Wilson, and (far right) Emergency Preparedness Director Darryl Camp. Lana and Darryl are also pictured at right displaying our area's recognition from the Georgia Department of Public Health and the Georgia Hospital Association who had bestowed honors in 2022 to each health district and their partnering healthcare coalition for their outstanding preparedness and response efforts, especially concerning COVID-19.

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IT'S HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK!

How do YOU Prep?

You can cope with disaster by preparing in advance and by working with your family as a team. Follow these steps to be prepared. 1. Get informed. 2. Make a plan. 3. Assemble a kit. 4. Maintain your plan and kit. Knowing what to do is your best protection and your responsibility.

Learn More
on how to
Prepare from
Ready.gov



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for Hurricane
Preparedness
Tips, including
those above &
MORE!

Emergency Preparedness Kit Items

P	P	G	O	L	C	S	B	L	A	N	K	E	T
Y	A	A	R	S	A	F	E	T	Y	P	L	A	N
E	Y	E	G	L	A	S	S	E	S	A	F	W	M
I	B	T	H	G	I	L	H	S	A	L	F	A	E
D	U	C	T	T	A	P	E	S	L	G	S	Y	D
I	G	A	B	G	N	I	P	E	E	L	S	N	I
E	A	S	T	O	R	A	G	E	B	A	G	S	C
P	H	O	N	E	C	H	A	R	G	E	R	S	A
S	O	E	T	E	E	I	T	T	O	L	O	F	T
E	H	T	C	A	N	O	P	E	N	E	R	O	I
P	A	S	G	A	B	H	S	A	R	T	F	O	O
B	W	A	T	E	R	H	T	S	S	S	O	D	N
F	E	S	E	H	C	T	A	M	M	I	S	T	S
T	E	P	F	I	R	S	T	A	I	D	K	I	T

BATTERIES
FOOD
WATER
MATCHES
PHONE CHARGERS
FIRST AID KIT
EYEGLASSES
DUCT TAPE
CAN OPENER
SAFETY PLAN
BLANKET
SLEEPING BAG
MEDICATIONS
STORAGE BAGS
FLASHLIGHT
TRASH BAGS

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/5565527/>

Find & mark all the listed items that belong in your Emergency Kit. Click the puzzle to download and print, or play online by clicking [HERE](#)

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CATOOSA • DADE • FANNIN • GILMER • GORDON
MURRAY • PICKENS • WALKER • WHITFIELD

April 25th Quarterly Meeting and Tabletop Exercise

The North Georgia Healthcare Coalition serves as a unifying force for the counties within Georgia Hospital Association Region A to collaborate with public health on coordinating healthcare resources and plans and facilitate communication among healthcare stakeholders. The coalition meeting on April 25th included a Burn Surge Annex Tabletop Exercise. The goal was to enhance operational area awareness and capabilities so we can effectively address the needs of burn patients as part of the whole community emergency response framework. Several coalition members attended, and the meeting and exercise were led by North Georgia Health District's Darryl Camp and Region Hospital A Hamilton Medical Center's Jerry Tatum.



Opioid & Substance Misuse Response

[MORE INFO](#)

Brittney Carmichael, North Georgia Health District's new Public Health Analyst and Opioid and Substance Misuse Response Program Coordinator, provided a presentation at the North Georgia Healthcare Coalition meeting in which she explained her mission is to help reduce deaths and harm from substance use and overdoses in our communities. She is reaching out to hospitals and healthcare facilities to help her deliver training, education, and resources where needed.