



Register Ready Program for At Risk Populations

At Risk Populations In Hunterdon

Groups:

- Persons of extreme age
- Persons with disabilities or medical conditions
- Persons with limited English language proficiency
- Persons with cultural or geographic isolation (immigrants, etc)
- Persons who are economically disadvantaged



Register Ready Program

- ❑ State wide voluntary program
- ❑ Created to keep vulnerable populations safe
- ❑ Increases awareness of at risk populations
- ❑ Registrants can sign up for short or long term periods
- ❑ Personal contact information stays in the system for about a year before you have to renew
- ❑ Information is confidential



Register Ready Registry

- ❑ Helps identify, assist, and manage at risk populations during an evacuation
- ❑ Provides web surveying for individuals and facilities; allows rapid survey entry for administrators
- ❑ Identifies people at risk who need assistance and the type of assistance needed (e.g., sight, mobility, medical equipment)
- ❑ Provides in-depth reporting and mapping capabilities



Program Leaders

- ❑ Hunterdon County Office of Emergency Management heads the program
- ❑ Human Services handling logistics
- ❑ Hunterdon County Department of Health publicizing program



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Successful Registration Requires:

- ❑ Collaborating with local agencies
- ❑ Marketing
- ❑ Community outreach
- ❑ Knowledge of at risk populations and where they are located

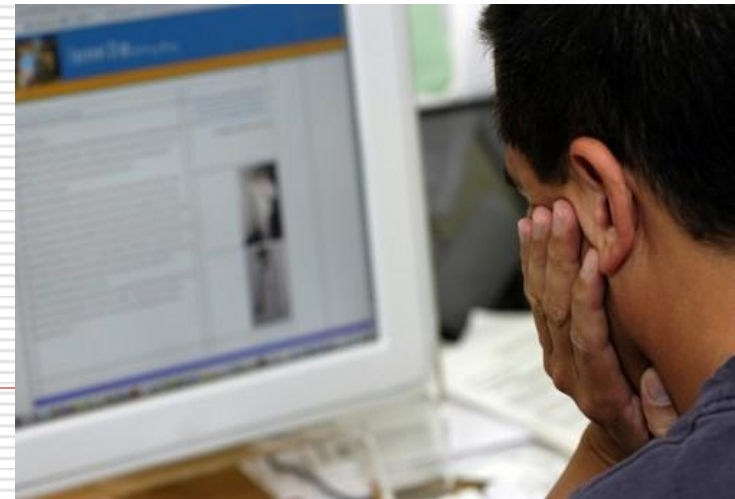


Who Should Sign up for Register Ready

- ❑ Anyone who is unable to evacuate and/or shelter on their own, due to a disability and/or medical condition
 - ❑ Individuals needing some type of supervision
 - ❑ Those who have communication limitations
 - ❑ Those who cannot transport themselves
 - ❑ Individuals who want to maintain Independence but want a safety net in **case family can't reach them**
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Benefits of Registry

- ❑ Registration allows for early identification
- ❑ Better able to assist at risk residents in an emergency
- ❑ Services are of no cost to residents
- ❑ Convenience of registration



Registry Plans

- ❑ Assessing demographics and registry outcomes by OEM
- ❑ Obtaining county agency Information from Hunterdon Helpline
- ❑ Media-public service announcements
- ❑ Communications-LINCS
- ❑ Health Education campaign-reaching the community through presentations or health fairs
- ❑ **Goal:** Getting as many individuals registered as possible



Why Do We Need a Registry?

- ❑ Protecting our citizens
- ❑ Agencies don't know who is at risk
- ❑ Sheltering
 - Find out the number of at risk populations
 - Analyze findings to allocate appropriate resources
 - ❑ Locations
 - ❑ Staffing requirements
 - ❑ Equipment



Program Services

- ❑ Notification of evacuation
- ❑ Identification of evacuation levels and routes
- ❑ Transportation & schedule services
- ❑ Sheltering
- ❑ Transfer assistance



3 Types of Shelters

□ **General Shelter:**

General Care Shelter client is a person who requires non-medical emergency sheltering

Functional Needs Shelter:

Functional Needs Shelter client is a person who will require assistance that exceeds the basic level of care provided at a General Care Shelter

Medical Needs Shelter:

Medical Needs Shelter client is a person who requires additional assistance that surpasses care in a Functional Needs Shelter

Information Alert

At Risk Populations should monitor for any new or updated information if possible through:

- TV/Cable
- Internet
- Radio
- Newspapers



Items Needed During Evacuation

- All medications & instructions
- Medical support equipment
- Name, phone number of physician/home health agency/hospital where you receive care
- Family phone numbers
- Identification/documents - With photo and current address
- Comfort items
- Money



Sources of Information

- ❑ Disability.gov www.disability.gov
- ❑ Ready.gov www.ready.gov
- ❑ OEM <http://www.state.nj.us/njoem/>
- ❑ Hunterdon County Department of Health
<http://www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/health.htm>
- ❑ Register Ready
<https://www13.state.nj.us/SpecialNeeds/>



Thank you!



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