

AT-A-GLANCE: INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES & ACCESS & FUNCTIONAL NEEDS

Who Are Individuals with Access & Functional Needs (AFN)? Individuals with function-based needs (related to a restriction or limited ability to perform activities normally considered routine) that may require assistance before, during, and/or after a disaster or an emergency.

Emergency Kit

Medical Supplies

- ❖ Extra eyeglasses and/or hearing aids
- ❖ Battery chargers and extra batteries for hearing aids, motorized wheelchairs, or other battery-operated medical or assistive devices
- ❖ Extra medicine, oxygen, insulin, catheters, or other medical supplies you or a family member uses regularly

Documents

- ❖ Medical insurance cards, Medicare/Medicaid cards, physician contact information, list of any allergies and medical history
- ❖ Copies of medical prescriptions, doctor's orders, and the style and serial numbers of the support devices you or your family member uses
- ❖ Medical alert tags or bracelets, or written descriptions of you or your loved one's support needs, in case you are unable to describe the situation in an emergency

Other

- ❖ Supplies for a service animal



Emergency Plan

Consider what needs you or your family may have should you have to shelter-in-place or evacuate to a different location. Be sure to:

- ❖ Create a support network to help you plan
- ❖ Tell someone you trust where you keep your emergency supplies and give them a key to your home
- ❖ Sign up for emergency alerts from your community
- ❖ Call 2-1-1 for information about critical health and human services available in your area
- ❖ Keep contact information for local independent living centers, as well as support and services organizations, in a safe, accessible place
- ❖ Notify your utility provider if you are dependent on electricity to operate a life sustaining device
- ❖ Provide any necessary organizations or service providers with information about your functional needs

Medical Support

- ❖ Identify multiple locations to receive dialysis or other life-sustaining medical treatment Work with your primary provider to create a plan to obtain and ensure services in case of a disaster
- ❖ Develop back-up plans for personal assistance services, hospice care, or other forms of in-home assistance

Transportation

- ❖ Work with local transportation providers and/or disability services to plan ahead for accessible transportation



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