February 2012 UPDATE

IN THIS ISSUE: Practices about planning for people with disabilities during an emergency

Going to Anaheim?

We'll be tweeting from the Public Health Preparedness Summit this week.

Let us know if you're there. We'd welcome the chance to meet you in person.

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New practices added this month

Drive-thru PODs (UT)
Banks collaborate to dispense antivirals
Details here.

Sharing ILI data (TX)
New toolkit for schools and health agencies

FAMILY PREPAREDNESS

IN THIS PRACTICE: Two Florida agencies created a family preparedness guide that includes:

- Specific needs for people with disabilities
- Possible situations they might face (eg, terrorism, floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, and nuclear emergencies)
- Tools such as checklists and forms

Details here.

RADIATION EMERGENCIES

IN THIS PRACTICE: By mapping residences, using full-scale exercises, and staying in frequent contact, Arizona officials have streamlined their efforts to quickly locate, evacuate, and decontaminate vulnerable people living within 5, 10, 15, and 50 miles of the nation's largest nuclear generating plants. Details here.
Vulnerable children (AZ)
Child protective services during emergencies
Details here.

Free clinics (OR)
Training nursing, pharmacy students to give shots
Details here.

Vaccines at home (AZ)
Partnering with paramedics to provide flu vaccine
Details here.

More new practices

WE HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT YOU

What's your educational background?

Answer this month's poll and see instant results from your peers around the country.

ABOUT US

www.publichealthpractices.org is a joint project of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) in Washington, DC, and the Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy (CIDRAP) at the University of Minnesota. The Web site is a one-stop shop for concrete tools and strategies to respond to the health consequences of disasters and emergencies. Learn more about us here. UPDATE is prepared and published monthly by the project staff at CIDRAP, and past issues are available on the site.

The US Nuclear Regulatory Commission provides this graphic to illustrate the geography of emergency planning zones.
Submissions are accepted in all categories, and we especially welcome practices addressing bioterrorism, chemical emergencies, natural disasters, and radiation preparedness.

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