

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM**

### **PURPOSE:**

Emergency preparedness, response, and recovery begin at the individual level. The best way to prevent injury and loss of life during an emergency evacuation is advance planning that prepares the individual for such an event. Experience shows that without proper planning and community preparedness, disasters become even more chaotic and unnecessary loss of life and injuries result. In short, individuals may face increased risk, higher death rates, and difficulty in evacuating without prior planning at both the household and agency levels.

Prior to, during, or after a disaster, there is often a need to establish areas of safe refuge or shelters to temporarily house those who are displaced as a result of a disaster. It is essential to be prepared to shelter or provide safe refuge during an emergency or disaster to all individuals within a community who do not have an alternative such as friends and family. The management of nursing, convalescent, retirement and other group facilities are responsible for the evacuation and sheltering of their own residents. Note: Medical Needs Shelters do not provide actual medical care, but do traditionally provide amenities such as back-up power for those who are dependent on medical devices.

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

This is a tool to help home health, hospice and other agencies assist their patients/clients in developing an appropriate emergency evacuation plan. This document, if it's an electronic PDF, can be filled out on your computer.

This form should be completed by the patient/client, their responsible party (local family member, friend, legally authorized individual, etc.), or the current healthcare provider, and reviewed annually and updated at the time of an impending natural disaster.

Complete all sections of the evacuation information form. Be sure to indicate all "yes or no" choice questions. If more than one person in your household needs assistance during evacuations, each one must complete a separate form. The patient or their responsible party must sign the evacuation information form.

**Section A.** Please complete the requested Patient/Client information.

**Section B.** Please complete the requested Emergency Contacts for the Patient/Client.

**Section C.** Please show where a Patient/Client is planning to stay during a disaster or emergency event.

**Section D.** Any anticipated assistance that the Patient/Client requires for emergency planning should be indicated here.

**Section E.** Please enter specific medical care information about the Patient/Client; be as detailed as necessary.



# PATIENT/CLIENT EVACUATION PLANNING: A Tool for Emergency Preparedness

This is a tool to help home health, hospice and other agencies assist their patients/clients in developing an appropriate emergency evacuation plan. Pursuant to HIPAA statutes, some information in this document may be confidential and handled as HIPAA and other privacy law require. Medical Needs Shelters do NOT provide medical care so this will not be a good option for sheltering someone receiving home care. This document is strictly designed to help caseworkers and healthcare providers develop evacuation and sheltering plans for patients.

## A. PATIENT INFORMATION:

TODAYS DATE:

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex:  Male  Female

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different from above) : \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Is English Your Preferred Language?  Yes  No **IF NO**, Your preferred language is: \_\_\_\_\_

Living Situation:  Living Alone  With Spouse  With Spouse & Children  With Parents  With Other Relative  
 With Non-Relative  With Child(ren)  Service Animal  Pets

## B. EMERGENCY CONTACTS:

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Caseworker (Primary) : \_\_\_\_\_ (Other) : \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Completing This Form (if different from above) : \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Company : \_\_\_\_\_

## C. DURING A DISASTER I PLAN TO :

- Stay with a Relative/Friend in the Area
- Stay in Residence
- Stay with a Relative/Friend Outside the Area
- Other Plans (describe): \_\_\_\_\_
- As a Last Resort:** Go to a Shelter *(Caseworker can help determine other shelter needs)*

## D. ASSISTANCE REQUIRED:

Do you anticipate needing the assistance of another person? \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No

If so, do you have a caregiver that could go with you? \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No

If yes, Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Transportation Plan:  Car  Taxi  Bus  Van  Ambulance

Name of Transportation Company or Family Member and Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** *Inability to ride in a car, taxi, bus, or van requires transportation by ambulance. If you require special/ambulance transportation and/or a hospital, you must make those arrangements yourself.*

**Patient Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E. MEDICAL CARE INFORMATION:** (Check all that apply.)

- Memory Impaired
- Speech Impaired
- Sight Impaired
- Hearing Impaired
- Mobility Impaired
  - Walker/Cane
  - Wheelchair, Manual
  - Wheelchair/Scooter, Powered
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Mental Health Impaired
  - Describe: \_\_\_\_\_
- Alcohol/Substance/Tobacco Use or Dependence
- Insulin Dependent
  - Is Insulin Self-Administered?  Yes  No
- Open Wounds
- Incontinence
- Obesity – Weight
- Service Animal:
- Bedridden
  - If so, height & weight: \_\_\_\_\_
- Oxygen Dependent, Portable
- Oxygen Supplier and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Dependent Upon Electrically Energized Equipment
  - Electrical Equipment Required:
    - Nebulizer
    - Respirator Dependent
      - Details: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Oxygen Concentrator
    - Dialysis Dependent
      - Hemodialysis
      - Peritoneal Dialysis
      - Dialysis, Portable
  - Other Electrical Equipment Required: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Other (any information that is critical to the overall care of the patient/client): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Allergies and/or Special Diet: \_\_\_\_\_

Medications/Dosages: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Primary Physician Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Pharmacy Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Health Insurance Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_