

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FOR OREGON'S KIDNEY COMMUNITY

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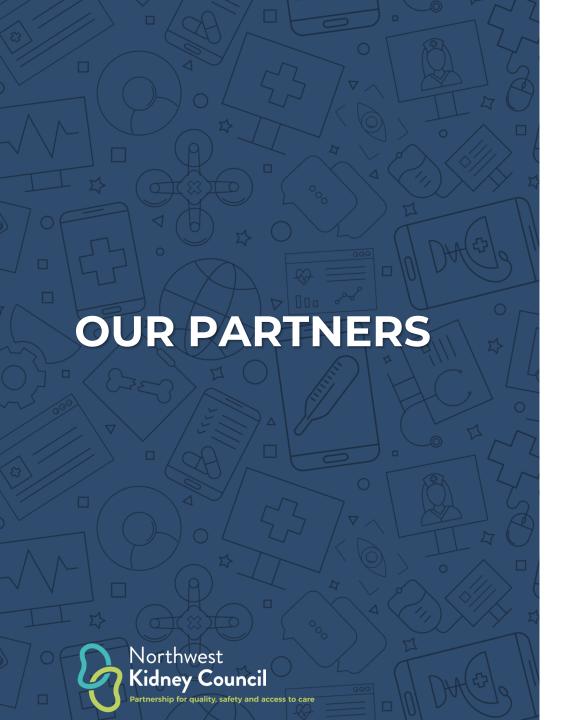
THE NORTHWEST KIDNEY COUNCIL

Founded in 2019 as a coalition of:

- Patient advocates
- Health care professionals
- Care providers
- Researchers

We are committed to shaping smart policy for individuals battling kidney disease in Oregon and Washington.

































BY THE NUMBERS

Chronic Kidney Disease in Oregon

Sources: U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network; United States Renal Data System; and U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services



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800

793

Oregonians waiting for a kidney transplant **76**

kidney care facilities in the state 250

licensed nephrologists in the state 7,353

Oregonians living with End Stage Renal Disease



WHY PREPAREDNESS MATTERS

Missing one dialysis treatment can double the risk of serious health complications and death in the 30 days following.

Patients receive 12 hours of bloodcleaning dialysis per week, compared to 168 hours for people with healthy kidneys. **Every minute counts**.





PREPARING FOR NATURAL DISASTERS

If you have kidney disease...

- Carry a card in your wallet with your dialysis care team contact and treatment information
- Answer your phone
- Update your emergency contact information
- Have an emergency diet plan of at least three days
- Talk to your provider about back-up plan if facility closes
- Contact your utility



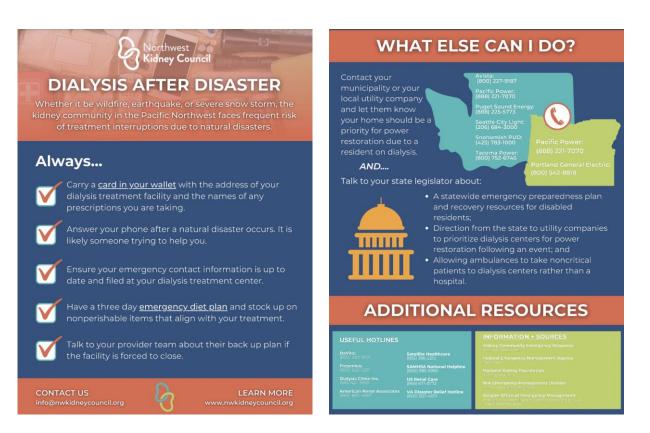




PREPARING FOR NATURAL DISASTERS

If you are a **provider**...

- CMS conditions of coverage require emergency disaster response plans for all health care entities
 - Know your facility's back-up plan if closure happens
- Ask patients to regularly update emergency contact information
- Assist patients with emergency diet plan development
- Contact utility





LEGISLATIVE OPPORTUNITIES

 Ensure dialysis perspectives are included within statewide emergency preparedness plans (DEMAC)

 Advocate for prioritization of dialysis centers and home dialysis patients for power restoration with utilities

 Allow ambulances to take noncritical dialysis patients to treatment centers instead of hospitals





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