






# DIALYSIS AFTER DISASTER

Whether it be wildfire, earthquake, or severe snow storm, the kidney community in the Pacific Northwest faces frequent risk of treatment interruptions due to natural disasters.

## Always...

-  Carry a card in your wallet with the address of your dialysis treatment facility and the names of any prescriptions you are taking.
-  Answer your phone after a natural disaster occurs. It is likely someone trying to help you.
-  Ensure your emergency contact information is up to date and filed at your dialysis treatment center.
-  Have a three day emergency diet plan and stock up on nonperishable items that align with your treatment.
-  Talk to your provider team about their back up plan if the facility is forced to close.

# WHAT ELSE CAN I DO?

Contact your municipality or your local utility company and let them know your home should be a priority for power restoration due to a resident on dialysis.

**AND....**

Talk to your state legislator about:

- A statewide emergency preparedness plan and recovery resources for disabled residents;
- Direction from the state to utility companies to prioritize dialysis centers for power restoration following an event; and
- Allowing ambulances to take noncritical patients to dialysis centers rather than a hospital.



Avista:  
(800) 227-9187

Pacific Power:  
(888) 221-7070

Puget Sound Energy:  
(888) 225-5773

Seattle City Light:  
(206) 684-3000

Snohomish PUD:  
(425) 783-1000

Tacoma Power:  
(800) 752-6745



Pacific Power:  
(888) 221-7070

Portland General Electric:  
(800) 542-8818

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### USEFUL HOTLINES

**DaVita:**  
(800) 400-8331

**Fresenius:**  
(800) 626-1297

**Dialysis Clinic Inc.**  
(866) 424-1990

**American Renal Associates**  
(888) 880-6867

**Satellite Healthcare**  
(855) 396-2212

**SAMHSA National Helpline**  
(800) 985-5990

**US Renal Care**  
(866) 671-8772

**VA Disaster Relief Hotline**  
(800) 507-4571

### INFORMATION + SOURCES

**Kidney Community Emergency Response**  
[kcercoalition.com](http://kcercoalition.com)

**Federal Emergency Management Agency**  
[fema.gov](http://fema.gov)

**National Kidney Foundation**  
[kidney.org/help](http://kidney.org/help)

**WA Emergency Management Division**  
[mil.wa.gov/preparedness](http://mil.wa.gov/preparedness)

**Oregon Office of Emergency Management**  
[oregon.gov/oem/hazardsprep/Pages/Individual-Preparedness.aspx](http://oregon.gov/oem/hazardsprep/Pages/Individual-Preparedness.aspx)