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Kidney Community Emergency Response (KCER)

In preparation for the 2019 Hurricane season and other natural disasters, the Outreach, Communication, and Training (OCT) team was pleased to have the Kidney Community Emergency Response (KCER) team participate in the June 2019 Town Hall event. During this informative session, the KCER team provided attendees with the who, what, and why of natural disasters. These items outlined tasks in supporting patients, facilities, and End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Networks, including:

- Coordinating continuing care and access to services for dialysis patients during emergencies or disasters
- Providing technical assistance to ESRD Networks, kidney organizations, and other groups
- Ensuing timely and efficient disaster preparedness, response, and recovery for the kidney community
- Incorporating the patient’s voice in all activities, specifically within the emergency community as a whole
- Maintaining active and engaged Emergency Response Groups

OCT assisted KCER by providing attendees with a detailed list (featuring screenshots) of important facility information in the ESRD Quality Reporting System (EQRS), which may be needed by support staff in the event of a natural disaster. This list of important information included up-to-date facility names, addresses, phone numbers, dialysis types offered, number of stations, and personnel listing. Updated patient information is extremely important, and facilities should keep addresses, phone numbers, and modality current, as these will be among the first items needed when relocating a patient to another facility for treatment.

For more information on KCER and their resources, please visit www.KCERCoalition.com. You can also find KCER on twitter at @KCERProgram or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/KCERCoalition.

Emergency Preparedness Checklist

Facilities can assist KCER and the ESRD Networks during a Hurricane or other natural disaster by using the following Emergency Preparedness Checklist to ensure that their patient information is up to date in the EQRS System.

CMS, KCER, and OCT encourage all facilities to view the June 2019 Town Hall recording, and to download the PDF of the slides for use as a reference before, during, and after disasters.

These items can be found on the Events Page at www.MyCROWNWeb.org.

UPCOMING

Town Hall Event



CROWNWeb Town Hall

July 25 • 2-3pm ET

Emergency Preparedness Checklist
<p>Admit Patients Immediately</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verify Admit Status (Permanent or Transient)
<p>Update Patient Attributes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient Contact Information (Phone and Address)
<p>Submit CMS-2728 Forms</p>
<p>Verify PART</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep PART Up-To-Date in order to track patients
<p>Run Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient Roster and Patient Population Report
<p>Perform Checks and Balances</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Facility Dashboard Comply with CROWNWeb reminders

Clinical Closures

Clinical closure dates apply to all Collection Types (Hemodialysis and Peritoneal Dialysis). Additionally, clinical data submissions apply to all submission methods.

Reporting Month	Clinical Closure Date
May 2019 Clinical Month	July 31, 2019 at 11:59 PM PT
June 2019 Clinical Month	September 3, 2019 at 11:59 PM PT
July 2019 Clinical Month	September 30, 2019 at 11:59 PM PT



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