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TO: Assisted Living Facilities
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RE: Preparing for Hurricane Season

As you prepare for hurricane season, VDSS is providing a list of resources to assist you. The following links may be helpful as you review and update your existing emergency preparedness and response plan to include COVID-19 infection prevention and control practices:

[Virginia Long Term Care Hurricane Preparedness in a COVID-19 Environment](#)

[Virginia Hurricane Evacuation Guide during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

[Hurricanes and COVID-19](#)

[National Hurricane Preparedness](#)

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The updated emergency preparedness and response plan should address recommendations from the [Virginia Department of Health](#) (VDH) and [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC) for COVID-19 including social distancing, appropriate PPE, gathering in areas of refuge, and evacuation procedures.

VDSS appreciates your continued support and dedication as we continue to move forward through the pandemic.