

CDC UPDATES TO INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE

The following updates were made to CDC information and guidance from September 6 to September 8, 2005, or reflect current events.

If you have any questions on these or other clinical issues, please write to us at: coca@cdc.gov.

- Special COCA Conference Call Tuesday September 13, 2005 @ 1 PM EST: Hurricane Relevant Issues

Please join us for this important clinical update!

Our speaker for this COCA call will be J.Todd Weber, MD
Dial-in number is **800-779-1416**
Password is **"Hurricane"**

J.Todd Weber, MD is Deputy Assistant, National Center for Infectious Disease and is Team Leader for the Clinical Care Team for the CDC Hurricane Katrina response.

Objectives for the call include:

- Review clinically relevant issues related to the hurricane-affected areas and populations.

Information and presentation resources (PowerPoint slides) will be posted at the following URL prior to the call date:

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/coca/callsummary.asp>

Health Alert Network (HAN): Hurricane Evacuee Medical Intake Form

This interim form is intended to be used for medical intake assessment and triage of evacuees entering a shelter facility or evacuation center. The form can be used to identify evacuees who may need additional medical evaluation and treatment. The first page contains registration information for use by facility, local and state authorities. The remaining pages can be used to anonymously report medical conditions among evacuees.

This intake form is available online at the following website:

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/evacueeform.asp>

Hurricane-Related Documents and Resources Recently Released or Updated

Hand Hygiene in Emergency Situations

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/handwashing.asp>

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Trench foot or Immersion foot

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/trenchfoot.asp>

Key Facts About Infectious Diseases

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/infectiousdisease.asp>

Tuberculosis (TB) Concerns From Hurricane Katrina

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/tb.asp>

Daily Update on CDC's Response

<http://www.cdc.gov/od/katrina/>

Questions and Answers about Immunization Recommendations following Hurricane Katrina

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/immunizationqa.asp>

MMWR Guide on Natural Disasters

http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/mguide_nd.html

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If you need further information or technical help, please send an e-mail message to: coca@cdc.gov

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The following updates were made to CDC information and guidance from September 9-12, 2005, or reflect current events.

Hurricane-Related Documents and Resources Recently Released or Updated Keep it With You (KIWY) Personal Medical Information Form

The KIWY form is not intended to replace hardcopy or electronic medical records, but is an interim communication tool to assist individuals as they navigate a potentially complex system of temporary support, housing, and clinical services. Clinicians are encouraged to adapt format and content as necessary to best serve the specific situation, population, and clinical care needs. Please see attached forms for more details.

For State and Local Public Health Department staff who would like to arrange a printing of the KIWY Personal Medical Record for use at the state's evacuation centers, the logistics officer should contact the CDC DEOC or call the DEOC switchboard at 770-488-7100.

Carbon Monoxide Poisoning: Flyers & Other Educational Materials

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/co-materials.asp>

Infection Control Recommendations for Prevention of Transmission of Diarrheal Diseases in Evacuation Centers

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/diarrheal.asp>

Keep Food and Water Safe after a Natural Disaster or Power Outage-- Clean and Sanitize Food-Contact Surfaces - **New Section**

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/foodwater.asp>

Initial Medical Screening and Ongoing Public Health Surveillance in Evacuation Centers

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/medscreening.asp>

Controlling the Spread of Infections in Evacuation Centers: Facts for Residents About Diseases that Cause Diarrhea and/or Vomiting

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/factsforresidents.asp>

Clean Hands Resources and Slides for Evacuation Centers

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/cleanhands.asp>

Assessment Tools for Occupational Safety and Health in Hospitals, Health Departments, and Shelters Involved in Response to Hurricane Katrina

<http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/flood/>

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The following updates were made to CDC information and guidance from September 15-19, 2005, or reflect current events.

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Special COCA Conference Call on Tuesday, September 27th @ 1 PM EDT: Mental Health Issues Related to Hurricane Katrina

Please join us for this important clinical update!

Our speakers for this COCA call will be from CDC's Mental Health Team
Dial-in number is **888-935-0258**
Password is "Mental Health"

Hurricane-Related Documents and Resources Recently Released or Updated

Medical Care of Ill Hurricane Evacuees: Additional Diagnoses to Consider

Common medical problems will continue to be the most prevalent conditions among evacuees. However, evacuees have been exposed to potentially contaminated flood waters and crowded living conditions, and have had many opportunities for traumatic injury therefore; clinicians also should consider some less common diagnoses when evaluating patients. This document outlines, by presenting symptoms and alphabetically, some conditions to consider when providing healthcare to evacuees.
<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/medcare.asp>

NIOSH Interim Guidance on Health and Safety Issues Among Clean-Up Workers Involved with Burning of Hurricane Debris – PDF File

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/pdf/nioshworker.pdf>

Respiratory Protection for Residents Reentering Previously Flooded Areas and Homes

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/respiratorypub.asp>

Environmental Health Needs & Habitability Assessment, CDC and EPA – PDF File

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/pdf/envassessment.pdf>

Violence Prevention Cards

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/shelters.asp#evacuee>

Vibrio parahaemolyticus

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/vibriop.asp>

Rodent Control After Hurricanes & Floods

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/rodents.asp>

Carbon Monoxide Poisoning: Flyers & Other Educational Materials

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/co-materials.asp>

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MRSA - Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus Information for Patients (After a Hurricane)

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/mrsa.asp>

Shigellosis Concerns in the Hurricane Evacuation Center Environment: Q&A

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/shigella.asp>

Preventing Violence after a Natural Disaster

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/preventingviolence.asp>

Drug Use & Safety in the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina – FDA site

<http://www.fda.gov/cder/emergency/default.htm>

Insulin Storage & Switching Between Products by Victims of Hurricane Katrina – FDA site

<http://www.fda.gov/cder/emergency/insulin.htm>

Medical Devices & Hurricane Disasters – FDA site

<http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/emergency/>

The following fact sheets are now available:

Do You Have Diabetes?

Look For Head Lice

Do You Have High Blood Pressure?

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/katrina/shelters.asp>

Hazardous Substances

Improper Disposal of Hazardous Substances and Resulting Injuries --- Selected States, January 2001--March 2005 – MMWR Article

This report summarizes all known events involving improper disposal of hazardous substances reported to the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) during January 2001--March 2005, describes four illustrative case reports, and provides recommendations for preventing injury resulting from improper disposal.

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5436a2.htm>

Emerging Infectious Diseases Journal

The Emerging Infectious Disease (EID) journal provides recognition of new and re-emerging infections and understanding of factors involved in disease emergence, prevention, and elimination. It also represents the scientific communications component of CDC's efforts against the threat of emerging infections. See the **October 2005** issue of the EID journal at the following link:

<http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/EID/index.htm>