



State of Louisiana
Louisiana Department of Health
Health Standards Section

TO: All Nursing Facility Administrators

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SUBJECT: Supplemental Information to Required Emergency Preparedness Plan

As per RS 40:2009.25(A) Act 540 of the 2006 Legislature, all nursing facilities within the 22 parishes included in this statute are required to submit annually to the Department their emergency preparedness information and documentation for review. Details of this information can be found in Section 9767 of the nursing home rule. All emergency plans should include an all hazards approach to disaster preparedness.

Given the current pandemic situation and the approaching hurricane season, it is imperative that these mandated plans include a plan for how nursing facilities will address the handling of residents who may be either CV 19 positive or negative. The plan must at a minimum include specifics as to shelter in place plans vs where residents may be evacuated to and by what means, staffing patterns, PPE supplies, and isolation plans.

This supplemental information to this plan must be received in this office no later than close of business **Friday, June 12, 2020.** As a reminder, this supplemental information is to be submitted to HSS.mail@la.gov

Any questions regarding this directive should be sent to HSS.mail@la.gov

Thank you.