



State of Louisiana
Louisiana Department of Health
Health Standards Section

Meeting of
Nursing Home Emergency Preparedness Review Committee

Location: Louisiana Department of Health,
Room Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87037940197>
or by phone: USA 602 333 0032; Conference code: 674727

Date: February 7, 2022

Time: 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Agenda

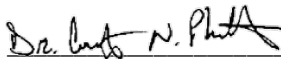
- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Review of NHEPRC statute; Review of NH Emergency Preparedness Rule; Review of Open Meetings Law requirements; Review of Rules of Order in Meeting Conduct; presented by Stephen Russo, Esq.
- IV. Presentation by SSA Consultants related to Nursing Home Emergency Preparedness and Recommendations for Future Requirements.
- V. Discussion of Recommendations Contemplated by the Committee for the future in regards to Nursing Home Emergency Preparedness in accordance with “charges” of La. R.S. 40:2009.25, with potential motions and voting. Specifically, the following topics will be discussed:
 1. Proposed recommendations to revise regulatory text regarding Emergency Preparedness (EP) plans and plan summaries
 2. Proposed recommendation for annual EP plan review by all Nursing Homes.

3. Proposed recommendation to develop and implement a new electronic/digital technology system
 4. Proposed recommendation for nursing homes to submit full EP plans when changes occur to current plan
 5. Proposed recommendation for increase in LDH's EP plan review responsibilities
 6. Proposed recommendation for nursing homes to be required to submit annual EP plans to Parish/Local OHEPs
 7. Proposed recommendation for unlicensed sheltering sites
 8. Proposed recommendation to strengthen the EP preparedness system
 9. Proposed recommendation for nursing homes to file formal after action reports
 10. Proposed recommendation for NHEPRC to evaluate opportunities for nursing home increase Shelter-in-Place decisions
 11. Discussions of any recommendations contemplated by NHEPRC and entertainment/voting on any motion(s) by the NHEPRC for future discussion
- VI. Public Comment – public comment may also be afforded after each of the above referenced topics at the pleasure of the Chair.
- VII. Committee to vote to on items including but not limited to votes to approve, deny, consider further, or amend recommendations
- VIII. Adjournment

Certification of Meeting Conducted Pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17.1

In accordance with La. R.S. 42:17.1 this notice shall serve as certification of the Nursing Home Emergency Preparedness Review Committee's inability to otherwise operate in accordance with the Louisiana Open Meeting Law due to such a meeting being detrimental to the health, safety, and/or welfare of the public as a result of the public health emergency, as declared by Governor Edwards on March 11, 2020 by 25 JBE 2020, which has been extended to the current day. The Nursing Home Emergency Preparedness Review Committee will provide for attendance at its essential government meeting on February 7, 2022 via video conference because it is unable to obtain a quorum. It is essential that the Nursing Home Emergency Preparedness Review Committee continue to operate because It is essential that the Nursing Home Emergency

Preparedness Review Committee continue to operate because in accordance with R.S. 40:2009.25, the committee shall convene annually and be charged with reviewing the findings of the emergency preparedness plan submitted to the department, identifying risks and threats, identifying manpower issues for loading, transporting and unloading residents, and developing recommendations for emergency preparedness plans to promote the health, safety, and welfare of nursing home residents. In preparation for hurricane season in less than 5 months, and in accordance R.S 40:2009.25, this meeting is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of nursing home residents who reside in hurricane prone parishes and likely to be detrimentally impacted by hurricanes. Any delay in the committee reviewing the emergency plans, risks, and threats prior to the start of legislative session and hurricane season may delay implementation of any accepted committee recommendations to promote the health, safety and welfare of nursing home residents of hurricane prone parishes. Considering the foregoing, and in accordance with R.S. 42:17:1 and 25 JBE 2020 the Nursing Home Emergency Preparedness Review Committee' s meeting on February 7, 2022 at 1:00 PM will be held via video conference and in a manner that will allow observation and input by members of the public, as set forth in the notice posted on 02/03/22. The meeting may be observed at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87037940197>. Members of the public may submit public comment on an agenda item by sending an email to NHEPRC@la.gov or leaving a voice mail at 225-342-2390 no later than 4:30PM, 02/04/22]. All public comments will be properly identified and acknowledged during the meeting. Certified this 2 day of 02, 2022.

 _____, LDH Secretary

Signature of Agency Head/Chief Executive Officer