IMPORTANCE OF DISASTER PLANNING

For individuals with respiratory issues, disaster planning is a must.

- Breathing is not optional.
- Must be prepared with a respiratory plan.
- Must be ready to use your plan anytime.
- Must have extra respiratory supplies on-hand and packed.
WHAT IS A RESPIRATORY ISSUE?

Any condition that adversely effects the system by which oxygen is taken into the body and an exchange of oxygen and carbon dioxide takes place.

Common impairments may include but are not limited to:

- Asthma
- COPD
- Lung Disease, etc.

These conditions may be temporary or permanent.

DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES

What happens when a person is diagnosed with a respiratory impairment?

Common reactions are:

- Fear of the unknown
- How will this affect my day to day living and employment
- What supports are in place to provide me assistance
- Is this treatable
DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES

Is broken down into 4 areas.

➤ Educating people on how to prepare for a disaster.

➤ Helping people prepare a respiratory disaster plan.

➤ Teaching people on how to build a respiratory disaster kit. (Hands on Training)

➤ Implementation of a persons’ respiratory disaster plan.

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DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES - EDUCATION

➤ Educating people on how to prepare for a disaster.

➤ What is a disaster?

➤ What do people with respiratory issues need to consider?

➤ Provide a disaster planning guide.
DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES - PLANNING

- Explain the importance of having a respiratory disaster plan.
- Teach what needs to be in the plan.
- Help people with respiratory issues to prepare a respiratory disaster plan.
- Offer resources on where to get more respiratory planning assistance.

DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES - TEACHING

Teach people how to build a respiratory disaster kit. (Hands on Training)

- Required respiratory disaster items needed.
- Parts of a respiratory disaster kit.
- Back-up respiratory disaster items needed.
- How to get respiratory disaster items.
  - Doctor prescription for devices as needed
  - Respiratory Home Health Agencies.
DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – PARTS OF THE KIT

21 inch suitcase or bag that meets your Respiratory Disaster Kit needs. This bag is a free bag when traveling on airlines.

Name tag with your name and identified as Medical Equipment,

DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – PARTS OF THE KIT

9 Foot Power Cord - 3 way adapter - 10 Foot Hospital Grade Power Cord
DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – PARTS OF THE KIT

1 Each Microfiber Bath Towel
2 Each Extra T-Shirts

DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – Emergency Medical Travel Information

Page 1 Your Name – Emergency Medical Information
Page 2 Travel Itinerary – where you are going to.
Page 3 Travel Itinerary – when you are going to return home.
Page 4 Contact information for where you are going
Page 5 Travel authorization for Concentrator
Page 6 Copy of your medical diagnoses from your doctor.
DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – Emergency Medical Travel Information

Page 7 Copy of your medical issue invoice for your concentrator with your name on it to confirm that this device was issued to you.

Page 8 List of medications, medical conditions, surgeries and medical insurance, also include your name, date of birth, ssn, phone number and address.

Page 9 List of all your doctors to include name, address, phone, fax and specialty.

Page 10 Copy of Oxygen Users Disaster Evacuation Planning Guide

Page 11 Copy of your Oxygen Concentrator Users Manual

Page 12 Copy of Safe Travel Guide for Persons with Disabilities

DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – PARTS OF THE KIT

Parts Kit 1
Backup Regulator
Nebulizer Kit

Nebulizer Medication
Regulator Wrench
Tank Washers
Bipap Filters
Medical Inhalers
Hose Connectors
DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – PARTS OF THE KIT

Parts Kit 2
2 – Nasal Cannulas
2 – 7 Foot Hose Extensions
2 – 20 Foot Hoses

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Parts Kit 3

Nebulizer Tee, Tube and 10 foot hose

DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – PARTS OF THE KIT

Parts Kit 3

Nebulizer Machine
DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – PARTS OF THE KIT

Parts Kit 4
- Gait Belt and Door Stop
- Emergency Oxygen Wheelchair Bag

Parts Kit 5
- OSHA Disposable Respirator Mask
DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – PARTS OF THE KIT

Parts Kit 6

Bipap / Cpap Machine

2 – Distilled Water Containers

Bipap Battery Backup
DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – PARTS OF THE KIT

Parts Kit 6

Headgear and Mask

Bipap / Cpap Hose

Backup Mask

DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – PARTS OF THE KIT

The Vest™ Airway Clearance System

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Portable Concentrator System

- LifeChoice Actives Pro
- Accessory Bag
- DC Power Adapter
- AC Power Adapter
- Adjustable Straps
- Standard 7-Foot Single Lumen Nasal Cannula
- 4-Way Carry Case

DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – FINAL THOUGHT

- All items you have seen in this presentation are actual items that are used in my Respiratory Disaster Kit.
- Depending on your respiratory needs you may not need all of the items shown in this presentation.
- You build your kit to what your needs are.
- This Presentation on Respiratory Disaster Kit Building is to be used as a guideline to assist you in building your kit.
DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – IMPLEMENTATION

• Implementation of an individual respiratory disaster plan.

• Where to store your respiratory disaster kit.
  • Next to your front door or in your front door closet.

• The Respiratory Disaster Kit and Plan is a 24 hour / 365 day plan to be used at all times.

DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – HANDS ON TRAINING

Since March 2012, this training course has been given on a regular basis at the Lee Memorial Hospital Respiratory Rehabilitation Center, the Cape Coral Hospital Respiratory Rehabilitation Center and their support groups for better breathing, the SWFL COPD Foundation support groups and the Veterans Affairs Visually Impaired Support Groups across the State of Florida.

This class has been given over 50 times and was praised by all attending. Hands on training is a must for this program.
DISASTER PLANNING FOR RESPIRATORY ISSUES – HANDS ON TRAINING

This program is now listed on the Florida Department of Health website:

We are listed on the following page - Home Programs & Services Emergency Preparedness & Response Prepare Yourself

Respiratory Disaster Planning Information and Guide – includes preparedness planning information that can assist people with respiratory impairments, including oxygen users, in getting ready for, and being prepared for, evacuation in the event of a disaster and/or routine traveling.

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