



## Emergency Preparedness and Response Resources

*This fact sheet lists state and national emergency preparedness resources, including websites, disability agencies, EP organizations, bibliographies, reports, and consumer resources reviewed and recommended by the Marketing and Networking Subcommittee of the Virginia Health Promotion for People with Disabilities (HPPD) Task Force. Explore the various websites and resources for people with disabilities (PWD) to determine which will best meet your local needs.*

### **American Association on Health and Disability (AAHD) [www.aahd.us](http://www.aahd.us)**

- Annotated Bibliography on Emergency Preparedness and Response For PWD (2008)
- Report and Recommendations of the National Working Group on the Needs and Priorities of People with Disabilities in Emergency Preparedness and Response (2005)
- National Consortium on Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Response for PWD

### **Guides and Resource Materials**

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**American Academy of Pediatrics, Emergency Preparedness for Children with Special Health Care Needs** [www.aap.org/advocacy/emergprep.htm](http://www.aap.org/advocacy/emergprep.htm)

**Citizens Corps Preparedness Publications** [www.citizenscorps.gov/ready/cc\\_pubs.shtm](http://www.citizenscorps.gov/ready/cc_pubs.shtm)

**Disaster Resources for People with Disabilities, Disability-related Organizations and Emergency Managers and Planners** [www.ijk.com/disaster.html](http://www.ijk.com/disaster.html)

**Emergency Evacuation Preparedness: Taking Responsibility for Your Safety** (From the Center for Disability Issues and Health Professions) [www.cdihp.org](http://www.cdihp.org) (under "Products")

**FEMA Guidance on Planning for Integration of Functional Needs Support Services in General Population Shelters** [www.fema.gov/about/odc](http://www.fema.gov/about/odc)

**US Access Board Emergency Evacuation Procedures** [www.access-board.gov/evacplan.htm](http://www.access-board.gov/evacplan.htm)

**US Fire Administration: Fire Safety for PWD** [www.usfa.dhs.gov/citizens/disability](http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/citizens/disability)

### **Virginia Emergency Preparedness Information**

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**Hampton Roads Special Needs-Emergency Preparedness** [www.hrspecialneeds.org](http://www.hrspecialneeds.org)

**Virginia Easy Access** [www.easyaccess.virginia.gov/emergencypreparedness.shtml](http://www.easyaccess.virginia.gov/emergencypreparedness.shtml)

**Virginia Department of Emergency Management**  
[www.vaemergency.com/prepare/specneeds](http://www.vaemergency.com/prepare/specneeds)

**Virginia Department of Health, Emergency Preparedness and Response**  
[www.vdh.state.va.us/epr](http://www.vdh.state.va.us/epr) and [www.vahealth.org/specialchildren](http://www.vahealth.org/specialchildren)

**Ready Virginia** [www.readyvirginia.gov](http://www.readyvirginia.gov)

## Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

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**Mid-Atlantic ADA Information Center** [www.adainfo.org](http://www.adainfo.org)

- **ADA Checklist for Emergency Shelters**
- **Making Community Emergency Preparedness and Response Programs Accessible to People with Disabilities: An ADA Guide for Local Government**

⇒ Go to [www.ada.gov](http://www.ada.gov) or call the U.S. Department of Justice ADA Information Line at 800.514.0301 (Voice), or 800.514.0383 (TTY)

## What Are Other States Doing?

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**Texas Accessible Emergency Information** (information on 18 emergency preparedness topics accessible to deaf, blind and limited sight populations) [www.accessibleemergencyinfo.com](http://www.accessibleemergencyinfo.com)

**Iowa Department of Public Health Emergency Preparedness** (info on all-hazard planning for PWD and community professionals) [www.idph.state.ia.us/bh/disability\\_emergency\\_prep.asp](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/bh/disability_emergency_prep.asp)

**University of Kansas, Research and Training Center on Independent Living** (array of resources including *The Prepared Lifestyle: How to Plan for Seasonal and Pandemic Flu and Other Emergencies*) [www.nobodyleftbehind2.org](http://www.nobodyleftbehind2.org)

## National Emergency Preparedness and Disability Organizations

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**American Red Cross** [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) or [www.prepare.org](http://www.prepare.org) or call your local chapter

**American Foundation for the Blind, Senior Site** [www.afb.org/seniorsite](http://www.afb.org/seniorsite)

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention** [www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/disabilityandhealth](http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/disabilityandhealth)  
Emergency Preparedness [www.emergency.cdc.gov](http://www.emergency.cdc.gov)

**Community Emergency Preparedness Information Network (CEPIN)** [www.cepintdi.org](http://www.cepintdi.org)

**DeafLink** [www.deaflink.com](http://www.deaflink.com)

**Disability Preparedness Resource Center** [www.disabilitypreparedness.gov](http://www.disabilitypreparedness.gov)

**Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)** [www.fema.gov/preparedness](http://www.fema.gov/preparedness)

**National Organization on Disability (NOD)** [www.nod.org/emergency](http://www.nod.org/emergency)

**Preparing for and Responding to Emergencies and Disaster**  
[www.disability.gov/emergency\\_preparedness](http://www.disability.gov/emergency_preparedness)

**Project Lifesaver: Bringing Loved Ones Home** [www.projectlifesaver.org](http://www.projectlifesaver.org)

**Ready Campaign of the Federal Emergency Management Agency**  
[www.ready.gov/america/getakit/disabled.html](http://www.ready.gov/america/getakit/disabled.html)



For more information, contact the Virginia HPPD  
Project 804.828.8587 [www.hppd.vcu.edu](http://www.hppd.vcu.edu)



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