



Hurricane Season 2026: Preparation For Patients in Central Florida

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Summer is here! And with that comes the possibility of severe weather such as summer storms, tornadoes, and hurricanes. You and your child's safety are very important to us.

The key to staying safe during this time is to have an **emergency plan** and to be **prepared**.

Every family should review their emergency plan, emergency supply kits, including medication(s) supply, medical equipment, and other essentials.

Consider whether losing electricity will impact your child's health needs. Additionally, every family must consider whether to evacuate or to stay home and prepare accordingly.

Each county has a list of shelters and special needs shelters (**preregistration needed**), which will be ready to receive evacuees before a storm. These are shared with the public through social media and local news outlets.

- Nemours Children's Hospital, Florida, is not equipped as a shelter and is not an evacuation center. For shelter due to a storm threat, we will not admit your child to the hospital. All families are advised to identify the appropriate evacuation center that best suits your family's needs.
- To learn more about emergency plans and emergency supply kits, please visit:
[Emergency Information - Florida Department of Health](#).
- To register individuals with special needs to local shelters, please visit:
[Special Needs Shelters - Florida Department of Health](#).