

How can you stay informed during an emergency?

Be prepared before an emergency happens. Find out which disasters are most likely to happen to the community and appropriate ways to respond to them. During an emergency, check all types of media – Web sites, newspapers, radio, TV, mobile and land phones – for global, national and local information. The local Emergency Management or Emergency Services office will provide information on such things as open shelters and evacuation orders.

Ask local officials the following questions about your community's disaster/emergency plans.

1. Does my community have a plan?
2. Can I obtain a copy?
3. What does the plan contain?
4. How often is it updated?
5. What should I know about the plan?
6. What hazards does it cover?

In addition to finding out about your community's plan, it is important that you know what plans are in place for your workplace and your children's school or day care center.

1. Ask your employer about workplace policies regarding disasters and emergencies, including understanding how you will be provided emergency and warning information.
2. Contact your children's school or day care center to discuss their disaster procedures.

The Clermont County General Health District Hotline Number, (513) 588-5121, can be called for prerecorded information on seasonal flu clinics or during public health emergencies.