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Public Service Announcement Transcripts

PSA—Preparing for Hurricanes: Prescription Medications (:15)

Announcer: As you evacuate, remember to take your prescription medicines with you. Many businesses, including pharmacies, may be closed during and after a hurricane. If you are unable to evacuate and cannot drive, ask a friend or a relative to drive you to pick up items you may need during the emergency, including a week's supply of medication. To learn more, call the CDC at 1-888-246-2675.

PSA—Evacuating the Area of a Hurricane – long Version (:30)

Announcer: If a hurricane warning is issued for your area, or authorities tell you to evacuate, take only essential items. If you have time, turn off gas, electricity, and water. Disconnect appliances to reduce the likelihood of electrical shock when power is restored. Make sure your automobile's emergency kit is ready. You can purchase an emergency kit if you don't have one. Be sure to take prescription drugs with you. Follow the designated evacuation routes—others may be blocked—and expect heavy traffic. To learn more, contact your local emergency management authorities.

PSA—Evacuating the Area of a Hurricane – short version (:15)

Announcer: If you evacuate because of an oncoming hurricane, take only essential items. Make sure your automobile's emergency kit is ready. Be sure to take prescription drugs with you. Turn off gas, electricity, and water, and disconnect appliances. Follow designated evacuation routes. To learn more, contact your local emergency management authorities.

PSA—Carbon Monoxide - long version (:30)

Announcer: During a power outage, running power generators or other devices can lead to deadly carbon monoxide poisoning. Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless, tasteless gas that kills more than 500 Americans every year. Never use generators, grills, camp stoves, or other gasoline-, charcoal-, or propane-burning devices inside your home, basement, garage, or carport, or outside near an open window. If your home is damaged, stay with friends or family or in a shelter. To learn more, call the CDC at 1-888-246-2675.

PSA—Carbon Monoxide - short version (:15)

Announcer: Never use generators, grills, camp stoves, or other gasoline-, propane-, or charcoal-burning devices inside your home, garage, or carport. They produce carbon monoxide, which can kill you. If your home is damaged, stay with friends or family or in a shelter. To learn more, call the CDC at 1-888-246-2675.

PSA—Staying Safe in Your Home during a Hurricane - (long version) (:30)

Announcer: If emergency personnel recommend that you evacuate your home because of an oncoming hurricane, follow local emergency management instructions. If you are unable to evacuate through the

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duration of a hurricane, there are things you can do to protect yourself. Seek shelter in a basement or in an interior room with no windows. Stay away from all windows and exterior doors. Monitor the radio or television for weather reports. Listen to reports on a NOAA weather radio if one is available. Stay indoors until the authorities declare the storm is over. Do not go outside—even if the weather appears to have calmed. Strong winds can resume quickly. Evacuate to a shelter or to a neighbor's home if your home is damaged or if emergency personnel instruct you to do so. To learn more, call the CDC at 1-888-246-2675.

PSA—Staying Safe in Your Home During a Hurricane - (short version) (:15)

Announcer: If you stay in your home through a hurricane, there are things you can do to protect yourself. Monitor the radio or television for weather reports. Stay indoors until the storm is over. Seek shelter in a basement or in an interior room with no windows. Stay away from all windows and exterior doors. Evacuate to a shelter or to a neighbor's home if your home is damaged or if emergency personnel instruct you to do so. To learn more, call the CDC at 1-888-246-2675.

PSA—Electrical Safety - (long version) (:30)

Announcer: During hurricanes, power outages and flooding can cause electrical hazards. Never touch a downed power line or anything in contact with a downed power line. Contact the utility company before performing work near a downed power line. If a power line falls on your car, remain in your car unless the car catches fire or until authorities tell you to get out. Shut off electricity and natural gas in your home. Don't turn power back on until equipment has been inspected by a qualified technician. Don't touch a person who appears to have been electrocuted without checking to see whether the person is still in contact with the electrical source. To learn more, call the CDC at 1-888-246-2675.

PSA—Electrical Safety - (short version) (:15)

Announcer: During hurricanes, power outages and flooding can cause electrical hazards. Never touch a downed power line or anything in contact with a downed power line. If a power line falls on your car, remain in your car unless the car catches on fire or until authorities tell you to get out. Don't touch a person who has been electrocuted without checking to see whether the person is still in contact with the electrical source. To learn more, call the CDC at 1-888-246-2675.

PSA—Mold Prevention - (long version) (:30)

Announcer: Rain or flood waters that get into buildings can create conditions that enable mold to grow. You can take steps to prevent mold growth. Make repairs to stop water from entering the building. Clean and dry wet items within 48 to 72 hours. Keep wet areas well ventilated. Discard materials that retain water and can't be repaired, including damaged building material. If you see or smell mold, clean it with a solution of 1 cup household liquid bleach per 1 gallon of water. To learn more, call the CDC at 1-888-246-2675.

PSA—Mold Prevention - (short version) (:15)

Announcer: When rain or flood waters get into your building, take steps to prevent mold growth. Clean and dry wet items within 48 to 72 hours. Air out wet areas. Discard wet materials that can't be repaired. Clean mold with a solution of 1 cup household liquid bleach per 1 gallon of water. To learn more, call the CDC at 1-888-246-2675.

For more information, visit www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes,

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