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Would you be ready if there was an emergency or disaster in your area? If you are a person with a disability, or are the caretaker for someone with disabilities, there may be some extra needs that you should be considering during an emergency.

September is National Preparedness month, which gives all of us a good opportunity to review how prepared we are in case an emergency happens.

A great place to start getting prepared is with some emergency training materials that were developed to provide practical training on effective emergency preparedness for people throughout Utah. A project funded through the CPD, Emergency Preparedness for All Utahns (EPAU), designed these materials specifically for individuals with disabilities, their families, and community service providers, to ensure that the needs of all community members are planned for in the event of an emergency.

Other online emergency preparedness resources include:

Utah Special Needs Registry: An online registry for people with disabilities to complete that shares information with emergency response agencies so they can better help out in a disaster or emergency.

Utah Department of Public Safety: Provides information about building emergency kits and making a family emergency plan.


Centers for Disease Control: Provides emergency information including specific information for persons with disabilities and special needs.

Make September the month that you and your family can say, "We are ready for anything!"