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Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania

Southeastern/Atlantic Region:

Alabama, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, U.S. Virgin Islands, Virginia, West Virginia

Greater Midwest Region:

Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin

MidContinental Region:

Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri

South Central Region:

Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas

Pacific Northwest Region:

Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington

Pacific Southwest Region:

Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada,
U.S.-Associated Pacific Basin

New England Region:

Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont

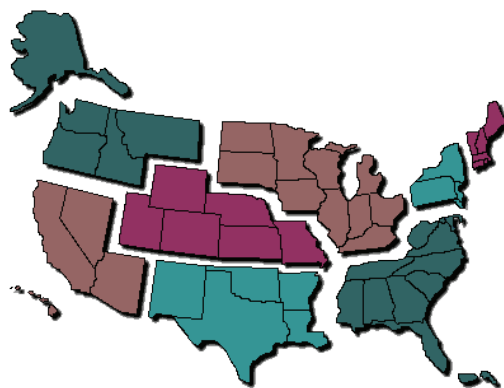
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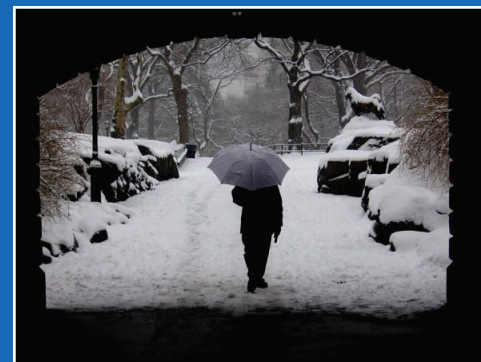


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1 (800) 338-7657

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Central Park, NYC, February 2008. This photo has become an icon for the NN/LM Emergency Preparedness & Response Plan, as it embodies two facets of emergency management—preparedness (umbrella) and response (statue of Balto, the sled dog who led the final leg of a run to deliver diphtheria antitoxin to Nome, Alaska in 1925).

NN/LM Emergency Preparedness & Response Plan



*Promoting continuity of
library services to health
professionals in the event
of emergencies and
disasters*



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ARE YOU READY?

Are you ready to continue your library's patron services from home if your library is closed due to a pandemic, a flood, or a blizzard? Do you know how to deal with water damage in your library from a burst pipe or a flood?



The NN/LM provides assistance to its members in preparing for and responding to disasters or localized emergencies.



NN/LM staff in your region are ready to help you in all emergency preparedness and response activities, from risk assessment, through developing a disaster plan, to knowing the numbers to call if you need help.

WHAT'S THE PLAN?

If your library experiences a disruption to your normal services, you need to remember just one telephone number:

1 (800) DEV-ROKS

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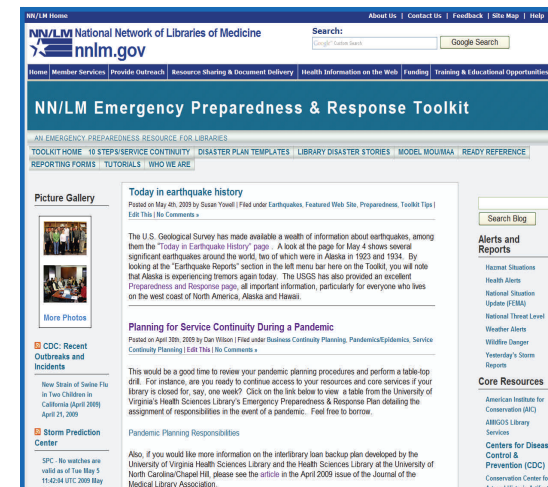
Calling this number will connect you with the office for your NN/LM Region. Your NN/LM staff will initiate an organized response to help you coordinate damage control, arrange for service provision from off-site, or arrange for referral of selected services to another library or to the Regional Medical Library.

WHAT CAN I DO TO GET READY?

NN/LM provides free training in emergency preparedness, including how to use the NN/LM response plan. NN/LM trainers can show you how to conduct a risk assessment for your library, develop a basic disaster plan, and coordinate a response within your NN/LM region, through their "10-Step Approach to Service Continuity Planning" class.



WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE?



Online toolkit: <http://nmlm.gov/ep>

NN/LM has developed the online Emergency Preparedness & Response Toolkit, which contains everything you need to conduct a risk assessment, create an emergency preparedness and response plan for your library, and find out where to get help for salvaging damaged library materials. There is also a screencast tutorial available on the toolkit that demonstrates the features and tools available.



Contact your NN/LM office to find out about classes available to help you be prepared. Talk with your state's NN/LM emergency preparedness and response coordinator to find out more about preparedness activities and training opportunities in your state.