



Welcome to Disasterville

October 2009

Fire Prevention Week October 4-10, 2009

Fire Prevention Week 2009, sponsored by the National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA), focuses on ways to keep homes fire safe and prevent painful burns. By following simple safety rules, you can “Stay Fire Smart!”

- Cooking is the leading cause of home fires, accounting for 40% of reported home fires and 36% of related injuries.
- Almost two-thirds (63%) of reported home fire deaths in 2003-2006 resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.
- One-third of American households who made an estimate thought they would have at least 6 minutes before a fire in their home would become life-threatening. The time available is often less. And only 8% said their first thought on hearing a smoke alarm would be to get out!

Don't Get Burned!

- Keep hot foods and liquids away from tables and counter edges so they cannot be pulled or knocked over.
- Have a 3-foot “kid-free” zone around the stove.
- Never hold a child in your arms while preparing hot food or drinking a hot beverage.
- Teach children that hot things hurt.
- Be careful when using things that get hot such as curling irons, oven, irons, lamps, heaters.
- When using heating pads only use for 15-20 minutes at a time and don't lie, sit or place anything on the pad.

For more facts and tips, visit www.firepreventionweek.org

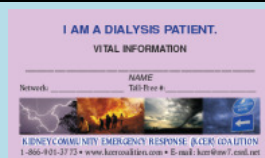
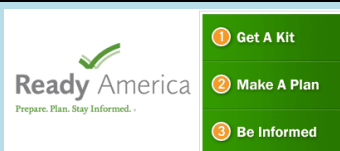
SPOTLIGHT: **ESRD Networks**

All ESRD Network staff should be on the KCER Response Teams and email discussion lists. These teams and lists share vital information about new resources and information. Network Directors are encouraged to join the Federal Response Team and Data Managers are asked to join the Facility/Patient Tracking Team. What team are you on?

UPDATE: **H1N1 Resources**

The KCER Pandemic Team is constantly updating their webpage with critical information for ESRD Networks, providers, and patients. Make sure you visit the website or consider joining the Pandemic Team to get all the latest information on H1N1 and pandemic influenza planning.

www.kcercoalition.com/pandemic.htm



KCER is a member of the National Preparedness Month Coalition.

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