

Preparedness Advisory

HEALTHCARE EMERGENCY COORDINATION CENTER

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Winter Weather Advisory

Situation

A period of very active weather will impact Western Washington over the next week (12/20 through 12/26).

Western Washington is expected to see varying amounts of snow beginning tonight through tomorrow night followed by very frigid temperatures with wind-chills in some areas dropping to single digit temperatures.

Thursday and Friday are likely to bring freezing rain with ice accumulation followed by a fast warmup and very heavy rains over the holiday weekend. These weather systems have the potential to severely impact travel and the power grids through the holiday weekend.

For more information see the attached slides from this afternoon's National Weather Service briefing and refer to the National Weather Service's Seattle website (www.weather.gov/seattle) for forecast updates and current conditions

Suggested Actions for Healthcare

- For a full list of suggested actions for healthcare please see the attached Winter Weather Tip Sheet

Actions by the NWHRN

- The Network is continuing to monitor the changing weather forecast and impacts to our various partners.
- The Network duty officer is available 24/7 at 425-988-2897 if you have questions or need to report impacts to your facility(s).
- The Network will activate additional response personnel to support the needs of healthcare as the situation warrants.
- The Network will continue to update our website with additional information as the situation warrants

Please see attached documents for additional information.

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