

WA 2026 Wildfire Resources

HEALTHCARE EMERGENCY COORDINATION CENTER (HECC) OPERATIONAL PERIOD

TIME: 16:00hrs

DATE: 08/11/2026

Subsequent resources being given to support response and recovery from wildfires in WA State.

Central & Eastern WA (CEW) Fire Healthcare Impacts and Updates

State Mission Number: 26-1349 2026 Wildfire Season

Background

Widespread wildfires burning in central and eastern Washington are causing impacts on all sectors of healthcare. NWHRN fully activated our Healthcare Emergency Coordination Center (HECC) on August 2, 2026, to help provide facilitation, coordination and support in connecting partners and other emergency response entities to address the needs of healthcare during this incident. As of August 6, 2026, NWHRN has shifted Snapshot Reports to become Situation Reports, though will maintain our report numbering for continuity.

Proclamations and Declarations

- Governor Ferguson released an emergency proclamation amending Proclamation 26-03, waiving laws and regulations to support individuals, business, and healthcare during the emergency. [26-03.1 Wildfires – Immediate Relief and Response](#). The governor is also preparing a request for a Major Disaster Declaration from the Federal Government.
 - Press Release: [Governor Ferguson issues emergency proclamation suspending state laws to help those impacted by wildfires](#)
- [Governor Ferguson announces federal public health emergency for communities impacted by wildfires](#)
- [Chelan-Douglas Public Health District has declared a local public health emergency due](#) to wildfire smoke and hazardous air quality.
- As of August 7, 2026, WA State Office of the Insurance Commissioner has issued [Emergency Order No. 26-02](#) and [Insurance Commissioner Kuderer's release](#)

NWHRN Resources

- In the event of a resource shortage that cannot be resolved via normal channels, please contact our Duty Officer. The [Resource Request Process](#) and 213 Resource Request Form can be found on our website.
- [Operational Activities - Northwest Healthcare Response Network](#)
 - [Wildfire Smoke Tip Sheet](#)
 - [Extreme Heat Tip Sheet](#)
 - [Extreme Heat Toolkit](#)
 - [Comparison of Heat Stroke vs Heat Exhaustion](#)
- Our 24/7 Duty Officer remains staffed to respond to healthcare needs. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact our Duty Officer at hecc@nwhrn.org or 425-988-2897.

Partner Resources Behavioral

Health Resources

- **Behavioral Health Just in Time Training** - Free leadership training and consultation are available for healthcare organizations supporting staff affected by this disaster. Designed for healthcare leaders, these services focus on mental and behavioral health support across all phases of the disaster cycle. Please contact Dr. Kira Mauseth drkiramauseth@gmail.com or Tona McGuire TLMCG01@gmail.com.
 - Spokane Fire Response / Recovery Behavioral Health Trainings. Three hybrid trainings will be presented in Spokane at Gonzaga and via Zoom on August 19, at 10:30am, 12:30pm, and 2:30pm, and last about 90 minutes. The zoom meeting room will be open for most of the day. The content will repeat for each session, with time for Q&A. [Please Register Here for the Behavioral Health Training Zoom](#); A flyer about the training will be available soon on the Network's Events page. Please use the link above to signup.
- [211 Basic Needs Resources - Crisis Connections](#)

Recovery Resources

- CMS Emergency Approvals and Payment for Services Dear Provider Letter is available for review on the NWHRN events page.
- Disaster Assistance Center (DAC) has been set up at Shadle High School (open daily through Wed 8/12 from 9am-6pm). Close to 50 organizations will be on site to provide services or information. EMD DAC Coordinator - Chansie.Donald@mil.wa.gov & Richie Bauer, Spokane EOC Donation Manager is the local contact for Spokane and surrounding areas. More information and participating organizations can be found at <https://www.spokanecommunityresources.org/disaster-assistance-center.html>
- Hospitals in Eastern WA are focusing on response recovery for their staff and offering recovery resources.
 - [Donations for Providence Caregivers](#) - Anyone interested in donating to support the Providence care givers impacted by the fires.
 - [Support Health and Healing - MultiCare Foundations](#) Alternatively call our secure line and we can process gifts over the phone. That number is 253-290-9601 or call the MultiCare Foundation for info on an ACH or where to send checks. - Anyone interested in donating to support the MultiCare care givers impacted by the fires.
- WA EMD is offering training for emergency managers, public works personnel, finance staff, facility managers, and others responsible for identifying, documenting, or reporting wildfire-related damage and response costs. Training will be August 12, 2026, 1-4pm & August 13, 2026, 9am-12pm. [Visit here for more information.](#)

Resources

- WA EMD - [Public Assistance PDA Training Flyer.pdf](#)
- WA EMD - [Public Assistance PDA Training Flyer.png](#)
- [CMS Emergency Response website](#)
- [ASPR - A Public Health Emergency Declaration](#)
- [CMS 1135 Waiver / Flexibility Request and Inquiry website](#)
- WA EMD – [Wildfire Resources and Status](#)
- [After a Wildfire | Spokane Regional Health District](#)
- [Douglas, Chelan, Okanogan Washington VOAD](#)
- WA DOH - [Post-Fire Cleanup Guidance](#)
- American Red Cross - <https://www.redcross.org>
- [Airbnb teaming up with Washington 211, offering free housing for displaced Washingtonians](#)
- WA DOH - Air quality tech specialist - airquality@doh.wa.gov - That is for any guidance or technical assistance regarding wildfire smoke
- PostFire LA Foundation - [Old Trails & Spokane Area Fires — What To Do First | PostFire](#)
- The Partnership for Inclusive Disaster Strategies (PIDS), Disability and Disaster Hotline (800) 626-4959 call/text hotline@disasterstrategies.org <https://disasterstrategies.org/> If you do not connect, expect a call back within 48 hours. An ASL promo is being planned.

- RX Open is now live for communities impacted by wildfires across the West - [RX Open](#)
- American Kidney Foundation – [Resources for kidney patients affected by WA wildfires](#)
- City of Spokane - [Community Resources, Donations Support, and Wildfire Information](#)
- Donation sites
 - Yakama Nation - <https://yakama.com/programs/signal-peak-and-ransier-fire-updates/>
 - Colville Tribe - <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/cedar-fund-wildfire-recovery-campaign>
 - Okanogan County - <https://occac.com/donate/>

Weather, Smoke and Wildfire Resources

- NWS – [State & Vancouver BC Outlook](#)
- [Fire Outlook](#)
- [National Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook](#)
- WA Fire Map & Tracker - [WA Fire Map & Tracker](#)
- [WA Smoke Blog](#)
- [Smoke From Fires | Washington State Department of Health](#)
- [Wildfire smoke preparedness - King County, Washington](#)
- [EPA's AirNow mobile app](#)
- [Washington Children and Youth Activities Guide for Air Quality \(PDF\)](#)
- [Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Forecast](#) | [Air Quality Map](#)
- [SnoCo Smoke Safety at Home](#) - tips on keeping your indoor air clean. Including [choosing a portable air cleaner](#), [creating a clean air room](#), and free portable HEPA filters for [eligible Medicaid enrollees](#).
- [ASL YouTube video on making filters with box fans](#)
- [Portable Air Cleaner webpages](#)
- [Improving Ventilation and Indoor Air Quality During Wildfire Smoke Events \(PDF\)](#)
- For facilities in Ferry, Stevens, and Pend Oreille counties who are looking for air filters please contact Sonja Moore, Northeast Tri County Health District at 509-563-8036 or email Smooore@netchd.org
- SRHD - Organizations serving community members who need protection from wildfire smoke, ash, and debris may request N95 masks by emailing healthyliving@srhd.org. Please include the number of masks requested. SRHD staff will coordinate pickup times and locations.
- [Extreme Heat Cooling Centers-211](#)
- Ready.gov Preparedness Toolkit - [Social Media Preparedness Toolkits](#)

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