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Natural Disaster Information for AL, FL, LA, MS and PA

This article is to notify all providers caring for members affected by Tropical Storm Karen or recent Pennsylvania storms/tornadoes/flooding that certain states and counties have been declared either a state of emergency or federal disaster. The following states and counties have been impacted as indicated:

State of Emergencies Declared as a result of Tropical Storm Karen:
- State of Alabama
  - During the time period of 10/04/2013 to 11/02/2013.
- State of Louisiana
  - During the time period of 10/03/2013 to 11/01/2013.
- State of Mississippi
  - During the time period of 10/03/2013 to 11/01/2013.
- Florida

Federal Disaster Declared:
- Pennsylvania Severe Storms, Tornadoes and Flooding:
  - Counties of Clearfield, Clinton, Crawford, Fayette, Huntingdon, Jefferson, Lawrence, Venango, and Wayne during the time period of 06/26/2013 to 10/30/2013.

Throughout the impacted counties and states, all providers caring for affected members will be considered “in-network” providers. Referral requirements from a primary care physician and the replacement of medical equipment or supplies will also be approved during this time. However, prior authorization for services requiring it will not be waived.