

The Health & Human Services Coordinating Council for Pinellas County Disaster Recovery Leadership Network (DRLN)

MISSION OF THE DRLN

The mission of the Disaster Recovery Leadership Network is to ensure that priority human services are made available to the public at the earliest opportunity should a major disaster occur in Pinellas County.

- Helps to ensure that health and human service organizations in Pinellas County are optimally prepared for any major Disaster.
- Works with community partners to develop and implement plans that will ensure that Pinellas County residents have access to health and human services during long-term recovery from a major disaster.
- Facilitates coordination and communication amongst Network stakeholders during all phases of a disaster.

The DRLN works to augment and support Pinellas County Emergency Management

Communications Plan for Pinellas County



- Guides **human service** response efforts in Pinellas County after natural disasters and emergencies including, but not limited to, hurricanes, tornadoes, high winds, and flooding.
- Ensures notification of staff identified to execute the plan, provide guidance in establishing the objective of restoring services, facilitating communication between participants, and coordinate short-term assistance.
- The DRLN has recruited key staff members to staff a **Recovery Management**

Center (RMC). The Recovery Managers work closely with 211 leadership to: receive information on agency status; coordinate the management of the agency resources to maximize service availability; and coordinate with Emergency Operations Center Emergency Support Function (ESF) 8 desk about services being provided, assistance needed, and other critical issues.

- Complements the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners Comprehensive Emergency Plan (CEMP)

<http://www.hhscc-pinellas.org/DRLN.Documents/>

The SCOOP ON COOP: A Workbook for Human Services Continuity of Operations Planning and Disaster Recovery

The *SCOOP on COOP* is a set of procedures and preparations to take before, during and after a disaster to ensure that your agency's essential functions are maintained.

<http://www.hhscc-pinellas.org/COOP.htm>

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Annual Disaster Preparedness Summit

An opportunity for health and human service providers in Pinellas County to engage in community learning to help plan for a disaster.

Disaster Planning for Child Care Professionals

An E-learning curriculum designed to effectively communicate agency and staff responsibilities pre- and post-disaster

Pinellas County Long-Term
Recovery Organization

For more information on Pinellas County Organizations
United in Disaster ("PROUD"), please contact:
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FOR MORE INFORMATION AND HELPFUL RESOURCES

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