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Be Disaster Aware, Take Action to Prepare! September is National Preparedness Month

It is time to prepare yourself and your loved ones for unexpected disasters. Vilas County Health Department encourages families and businesses to prepare and plan for emergencies. Preparedness is everyone's responsibility! We hope that this September, individuals and businesses will turn awareness into action.

Taking the simple steps to be prepared will make a big difference in making sure you, your family and your business is safe during and after a disaster:

- Be Informed
- Make a Plan
- Build a Kit
- Get Involved

"Disasters can happen anytime and anywhere. They can happen unexpectedly in communities just like ours, to people like us," said Tammi Boers, Community Health Coordinator, Vilas County Public Health Department. "Recent news coverage has shown how severe weather can affect us. Even in Northern Wisconsin, we experience severe weather and are not immune to flooding, tornadoes and severe winter storms."

This September, please prepare in case you must evacuate your home or go for a few days without electricity, water, and access to a grocery store or local services. For more information on how you can plan for an emergency, please visit

www.vilaspublichealth.com or www.ready.gov

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The mission of the Vilas County Public Health Department is to promote health, protect the environment, and prevent disease and injury.