

## Hurricane Matthew Update

10 a.m. 10/8/2016

As part of our response efforts, DHEC has taken the following actions:

### Boiled Water Advisories:

Barrier islands served by Beaufort Jasper Water and Sewer Authority and Georgetown County have been valved off and will be under a [boiled water advisory](#) when water pressure is restored. Below are islands that have been valved off:

- Pawleys
- Debordieu
- Secession
- Cane
- Cat
- Distant
- Warsaw Vivians
- Fripp

### Health Care Facilities:

On Oct. 4, 2016, the Governor issued a Mandatory Medical Evacuation (MME) for health care facilities regulated by DHEC in the evacuation zone.

As of Friday at noon, **127 health care facilities had evacuated** in preparation for the storm. The following 13 hospitals requested an exemption from the evacuation order and are sheltering in place:

- Colleton Medical Center
- Roper Hospital
- Bon Secours St. Francis
- Roper St. Francis
- Coastal Carolina Hospital
- Grand Strand
- Health South Charleston
- East Cooper
- Trident
- MUSC
- Summerville
- Vibra
- Tidelands-Waccamaw

DHEC continues to reach out to these facilities to assess and monitor their status and identify any needs or issues they may have.

### Special Medical Needs Shelters:

DHEC is operating [Special Medical Needs Shelters](#) to provide shelter for people whose medical conditions exceed the capabilities of the Red Cross shelters, but are not severe enough to require a hospital stay. We do not provide health care services in these shelters. *(Note: If you think you may need this type of shelter, please call DHEC at 1-800-868-0404.)*

The following shelters are currently open:

- Dorchester County Senior Center (312 N Laurel Street, Summerville)
- Colleton Medical Center – Colleton (501 Robertson Blvd, Walterboro)
- Allendale County Hospital (1787 Allendale-Fairfax Hwy, Fairfax)
- Orangeburg Calhoun Technical College (3250 St. Matthews Road, Orangeburg)
- Carolinas Hospital System - Marion (2829 US Hwy 76, Mullins)
- Palmetto Health Tuomey (129 North Washington St., Sumter)

Two additional shelters, Health South – Charleston and Lake City Community Hospital, are now full and can no longer accept new shelterees at this time.

### **Coastal Resources:**

Prior to the storm, DHEC issued blanket emergency orders to local governments to allow property owners along the immediate beachfront to conduct sand scraping or install sandbags to provide temporary protection from anticipated wave uprush from the storm. DHEC has asked local governments along the coast to provide updates on beachfront erosion and damage through our [MYCoast application](#).

### **Dams:**

As of Friday at noon, there were **342** state-regulated dams located within the area expected to receive significant rainfall, including 44 dams with [emergency orders in place as a result of the Oct. 2015 historic floods](#) and 39 additional high- and significant-hazard dams. DHEC has teams of engineers in place to begin inspecting these 83 priority dams immediately after the storm as conditions permit.

Prior to the storm, DHEC implemented the CodeRED system to notify dam owners via voice call, text messages and email to prepare for potential significant rainfall. Dam owners also were advised to lower water levels.