

Climate Impacts on Worker Health Floods & Hurricanes

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Worker Health During Floods and Hurricanes

Potential health effects/issues experienced due to:

- ▶ Facility structural integrity
- ▶ Water
- ▶ Debris separation/removal
- ▶ Heat/Dehydration
- ▶ Sharp objects
- ▶ Vegetative debris
- ▶ Power lines/electrical hazards
- ▶ Mold



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Potential health issues experienced due to lack of training in some areas including, but not limited to:

- ▶ Ergonomics
 - ▶ Lifting
 - ▶ Repetitive motion
- ▶ Asbestos and lead-based paint
- ▶ Lack of supplies/alternatives



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Potential health issues experienced due to lack of training in some areas including, but not limited to:

- ▶ Mold
 - ▶ Water restoration companies addressing issues
 - ▶ Lacking basic mold info, remediation techniques and principles, health effects, heat related illness, regulatory required formal training (i.e., PPE, HAZCOM, ladders, etc.), personal hygiene, etc.
 - ▶ Training depends upon the level of response, locale requirements



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Health issues with the most profound effects due to:

- ▶ Mental Health & Resiliency



QUESTIONS

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