



In the know:

May 20 - PPE (Personal Protective Equipment)

June 24 & 25 - Training Volunteer Summit

July 15 - Shelter Exercise

August 19 - What's in Your Preparedness Bag

An All Volunteer - Nonprofit Organization

Heroes aren't born. They volunteer!

Fun Fact

- HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK MAY 1 - 7
- [National Hurricane Center website](#)

QUICK LINKS:

- [GNR Public Health](#)
- [Healthcare Coalition - Region D](#)
- [MRC GEM](#)
- [Alerts and Warnings](#)
- [National MRC](#)



Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Training May 20, 2023



Our training this month will teach you the basics of infection control as well as the proper use of PPE (personal protective equipment). You will learn techniques to help keep yourself and others safe in an otherwise potentially unsafe environment. Please be sure to sign up to let us know you're coming.

[Register for May 20, 9:00 a.m.](#)

Come Visit the MRC GEM Booth

The [Gwinnett Multicultural Festival and County Government Open House](#) is back with cultural performances, face painting, touch-a-truck with public safety vehicles, games, music, and fun for the whole family! This year's event will also feature a naturalization ceremony for some of Gwinnett's newest citizens.

Join us Saturday, May 13 from 10:00am to 2:00pm at Gwinnett Place Mall in Duluth to celebrate the vibrant cultures that make up our community. The event is free. We can't wait to see you there!



DID YOU KNOW?

See something, send something



Don't spill your pills

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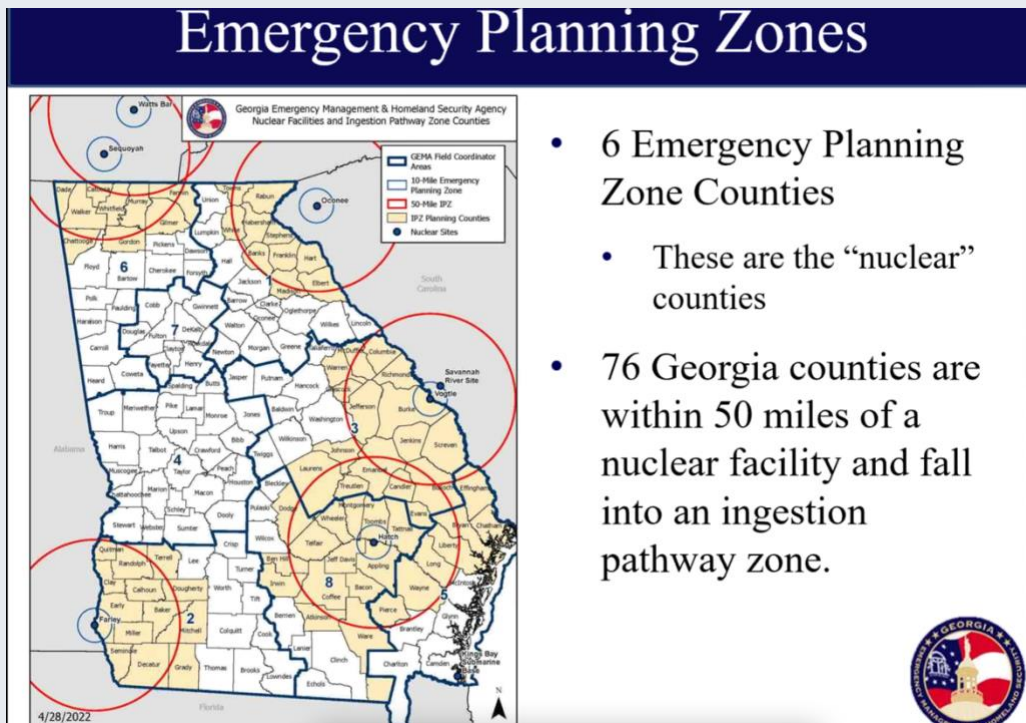
Many of us have unused, expired, or forgotten medicine in our cabinets. To get rid of these medications, you might be tempted to flush them down your toilet. However, that can negatively impact wastewater treatment or even disrupt the function of your septic system. Follow these helpful steps to dispose of pharmaceuticals correctly:

1. Take drugs out of the original container
2. Mix with an undesirable substance such as cat litter or used coffee grounds
3. Put the mixture into a sealed plastic bag or container
4. Remove any personal information on the empty containers
5. Place the container in the trash

Proper disposal of your medicines keeps them from harming children and pets, prevents illegal misuse of drugs, and protects our water systems. Not sure where to get rid of your medicine? Visit GwinnettCB.org/Recycling to find a drop-off site near you.

GA Emergency Planning Zones

Ensuring situational awareness for potential radiation



- 6 Emergency Planning Zone Counties
- These are the “nuclear” counties
- 76 Georgia counties are within 50 miles of a nuclear facility and fall into an ingestion pathway zone.



NACCHO Preparedness Summit



GNR Public Health’s Alana Sulka and Mark Reiswig presenting on the integration of HIV Prevention Wrap Around Services and Mpx Vaccination Efforts Enhance Ongoing Ending the HIV Epidemic Initiatives, Gwinnett County, GA.

MRC GEM Team



Types Of Emergency Classifications

- **Notification of an Unusual Event (NOUE)**
 - Minimal unusual event – no public response
- **Alert**
 - Event has occurred but back-up systems are working – unlikely public response
- **Site Area Emergency (SAE)**
 - Small amounts of radioactivity may be released into the immediate area of the plant – pre-cautionary public actions implemented
- **General Emergency (GE)**
 - Loss of emergency safety systems. State and local response to protect residents living near the plant.

