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## **Douglas County Health Department Marks National Preparedness Month**

Local residents are encouraged to join the Douglas County Health Department in observing National Preparedness Month.

“For the fourth straight year the U.S. Department of Homeland Security will observe National Preparedness Month during September,” said Health Director Dr. Adi Pour. “The Health Department will provide employees with information on how to prepare for an emergency at their home, and review their roles at work in the event of an emergency. We hope businesses, schools and your family will do the same.”

County employees also will be provided information on preparing their homes in the event of an emergency. To help spread the word on what families should be doing, Health Department personnel staffed a booth for an education fair at the City/County Building on Sept. 14 and will take part in at least one corporate safety fair.

“Many of the recommendations will be useful for situations like blizzards or a weather-related power outage,” Dr. Pour said. “I strongly urge you to consider preparing your home for an emergency.”

More information on Preparedness Month is available on the Douglas County Health Department’s Web site at [www.douglascountyhealth.com](http://www.douglascountyhealth.com). Simply scroll down the home page to find printable brochures. More ideas are at [ready.gov](http://ready.gov), sponsored by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

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