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Presentation on Dane County Emergency Management Meeting the Needs of People with Disabilities

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Agenda:

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. An overview of the Dane County Emergency Management Special Populations Program
 - a. Reaching PWDs via trusted sources: community organizations, support workers, families and caregivers, religious affiliations, etc.
 - b. A comprehensive plan for building tools in our toolbox:
 - 1. Supporting community shelters with equipment and staff; developing a Special Needs Shelter if demand requires it.
 - 2. Encouraging use of a Special Needs Registry. "GIVE YOURSELF A CHANCE" Voluntary, interactive, educational, multi-media on line and via phone or home visit interview. Outreach to trusted sources.
 - c. Advocacy with human service contracts to:
 - 1. Continuity of operations planning
 - 2. Care planning for consumers to ready for an emergency or disaster
 - a. Core Readiness Planning: smoke alarms, weather radio, 3 day food and water supplies, first aid kit, batteries and flashlights, etc.
 - b. Personal Preparedness Planning and use of Registry
 - d. Promotion of the Volunteer Sector to assist Emergency Management: Prepare Now
 - 1. Medical Reserve Corps and Mental Health Response Teams
 - 2. Citizens Corps
 - 3. People with Disabilities helping People with Disabilities

Please feel free to ask questions or make comments anytime during the presentation