



**SENIOR P.R.E.P.**  
*Planning and Resources for Emergency Preparedness*

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## **Helping Older Adults in York County Prepare for Emergencies** Senior P.R.E.P. program is coming to Walgreens in Rock Hill

**COLUMBIA, S.C.** — The Senior P.R.E.P. (Planning and Resources for Emergency Preparedness) program is coming to Walgreens in York County to help older adults prepare for emergencies.

The Senior P.R.E.P. program is a valuable resource that offers emergency planning assistance to senior citizens throughout South Carolina. Taking precautionary measures beforehand is crucial to safeguard vulnerable older adults during emergencies.

On May 28 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., Walgreens at 1645 Cranium Drive in Rock Hill will host the fifth Senior P.R.E.P. event in partnership with the South Carolina Department on Aging, the South Carolina Emergency Management Division, and Walgreens. Several partner agencies will also be in attendance to discuss the importance of emergency planning and provide information.

Emergency materials will be available for seniors and the community. A Walgreens Pharmacist will be on hand to administer RSV, Pneumococcal and routine vaccinations.

Everyone can take steps now to prepare for emergencies.

### **Things to Consider:**

- Plan with family, friends, and caregivers to assist with limitations.
- Include necessary assistive technology and medical supplies (i.e., oxygen tank) in your emergency kit.
- Have a plan or backup resource to power essential medical equipment.
- Check with any agency providing you services for special provisions in an emergency.
- Have clear and concise instructions for rescue personnel regarding special needs or equipment.
- Map out accessible emergency exits at home and work.
- Consider getting a medical alert system that can be used to call for help.

For further information on the Senior P.R.E.P. program, visit local Walgreens locations. Additional resources can be found online at <https://aging.sc.gov/senior-prep>

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