



## A LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI DISASTER MESSAGE BOARD

In the aftermath of such tragedies as hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, and storms we have learned good communication is critical to both the oncology community and the patients we serve.

The Louisiana Oncology Society Disaster Message Board was created to serve the needs of the Louisiana and Mississippi oncology communities in times of natural disaster.

Our Message Board is a **Free** Service:

- Our staff will contact the oncologist in case of disaster and post for those who do not have internet access.
- Oncologists in other states will be notified to check the disaster board for updates on Louisiana and Mississippi practice information.

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For oncologists, staff, patients and  
caregivers in Louisiana, Mississippi  
and surrounding states.



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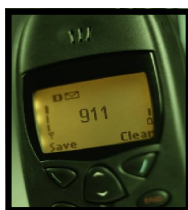
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# HOW TO USE OUR DISASTER MESSAGE BOARD

## Registering is Easy!

1. Decide on two emergency contacts, preferably a practice manager and physician, who can be contacted in disaster situations.



Text messages work when most phone lines fail!

2. Contact the society with your office email and cell phone information.

3. Your facility emergency contacts will be given a password and access to the society message board. They will be able to receive and post communications in a disaster situation.

## Your Office can be Disaster Prepared

Let us help your team prepare. We will send your office a self-administered test of the message board, and any additional support needed.

This test can easily be completed in just a few minutes and your team will feel confident that patients and staff will have a way to communicate during an emergency.

After your test, we will continue to provide ongoing information on how to educate staff and patients on the disaster preparedness board.

It's simple and easy to join!

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## An Oncology Support Network

### FOUR QUESTIONS COMMONLY ASKED:

I am not a society member can we still participate?

**Yes, all oncology practices are eligible to participate regardless of membership.**

I do not want patients getting my personal contact information. How is this protected?

**Never is a patient given confidential contact information. The practice will receive a password protected email from the message board.**

Is using this service extra work for my staff?

**Actually, our message board saves time! Everyone can see updated practice information at one time and avoid unnecessary calls which block emergency phone lines during disaster situations.**

Do I have control over what I share?

**Yes, you pick your communication settings and decide what information is helpful to your practice and the patients it serves.**

The message board can be accessed **24 hours a day** via the internet, and continually carries updated information in disaster situations.

Email messages sent via the message board are confidential and not accessible to those viewing the board.

The society does not share confidential information..

The message board helps medical facilities post closures, location changes, and all necessary information sent between the facility and those seeking information.



Message board information is shared with media, local, and state emergency responders, agencies, and medical associations assisting from other states.