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TO: NLACRC Day Program Providers

FROM: Susan Pittman, Community Services Director

RE: Evacuations, Program Closures & Early Dismissals

In an effort to ensure the ongoing safety, care, and supervision of our consumers during the fires that are burning throughout LA County, NLACRC requests that your agency notify the Community Services Department immediately if you need to evacuate or close. The air quality in some of our areas can change from unhealthful to hazardous fairly quickly, so it may be necessary to make a decision about program closure prior to the air quality actually reaching an unhealthy level. The following link to the air quality index can be used to get real time updates on the air quality for any specific area and also to get information about projected air quality for the areas impacted by the fires.

<http://www.aqmd.gov/> Additionally, the following advisory was issued earlier this morning regarding all of the areas impacted by the fires.

<http://www.aqmd.gov/news1/2009/smokeadvisory08-31-09.htm>

We appreciate your prompt notification of any changes in programming. Notifications should be sent to: cheryllem@nlacrc.org with a copy susanp@nlacrc.org . If you don't have immediate access to email, you can leave a voicemail at (818) 756-6116 or (818) 756-6241.

Please also notify us if you require assistance with evacuation efforts. If it is safe to do so, we may be able to supply transportation for consumers to an evacuation site if no other resources are available.

C: George Stevens, Executive Director
Diane Ambrose, Director of Program Services
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R&D Transit, Inc.