

# WHAT IF...



# NO WATER

Most patients think they are prepared for an emergency, but few actually are.

## Emergency Checklist

1. Contact your facility to find out the plan for treatment. Dialysis requires a clean source of water.
2. Store at least 1 gallon of water per person per day for a minimum 3-day supply. This means a family of 4 needs 12 gallons.
3. Be sure to account for pets; dogs and cats typically need 1 gallon each per day.
4. Store water in a cool, dark place in your home, office, or car.
5. Replace water every six months and be sure to check expiration dates on store-bought water.
6. If you hear reports of broken water or sewage lines, you'll need to shut off water to your house to avoid letting contaminated water enter your home.

## THE FACTS

- The process of **dialysis requires** the availability of **clean water**.
- Following a disaster, **clean drinking water may not be available**. Your regular water source could be cut off or compromised through contamination.

