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Letter from Excellent Medical Center (EMC)

To all individuals on alert, at risk, in danger, and/or facing the threat of a natural phenomenon of hurricane Milton:

As we confront the potential threat of Hurricane Milton, the strength and solidarity of our community have never been more vital. Our primary concern is the safety of all residents, and it's essential for everyone to take proactive measures to prepare. By coming together and responding promptly, we can protect our families and neighbors, ensuring a swift return to normalcy, including resuming work and school as soon as the storm passes.

With Hurricane Milton advancing toward the west coast of Florida, I want to express my support for the communities that are in immediate danger, particularly our neighbors in the Tampa Bay area. These areas are still in the process of recovering from the destruction caused by Hurricane Helene, and now they are faced with yet another major challenge. We stand with them as they gear up for this storm, keeping them in our thoughts.

While it appears that Miami-Dade County is not expected to be directly affected, we should not underestimate this storm. There is a chance of rain, localized flooding, and sustained winds reaching tropical storm levels starting tomorrow, October 9th. I encourage everyone to ensure that their businesses and staff are adequately prepared.

During this critical time, it is essential to follow the established emergency plans, as well as the national, state, and county alerts. We urge you to stay tuned to the media and local authorities for the latest information.

Important Recommendations:

1. Follow Authorities' Instructions:

Stay informed about evacuations and other necessary safety measures.

2. Prepare to Evacuate:

If an evacuation order is issued, act immediately. Make sure to have an emergency kit ready that includes:

- Drinking water
- Non-perishable food

- First aid kit
- o Important documents

• Flashlight and batteries



3. Don't Forget Your Pets:

If you have pets, ensure they are also prepared to evacuate. Research shelters that accept animals and have their essential supplies ready.

4. Stay in Touch:

Inform family and friends about your plans and location. Establish an alternative communication system in case phone lines are busy.

The professional family at EMC is committed to your safety and well-being. We wish everyone to stay safe, informed, and united during this situation. Remember that together we can overcome any challenge.

I want to express my sincere gratitude to all our leaders, as well as Federal and State organizations, and all the staff who are working hard to prepare for and respond to this storm. Together, we will ensure that our community remains resilient and ready.

Stay safe, and may God continue to bless and protect our country and all who live in it.

Let's take care of each other.

Sincerely,

Alexei Gomez - President Excellent Medical Center (EMC)