

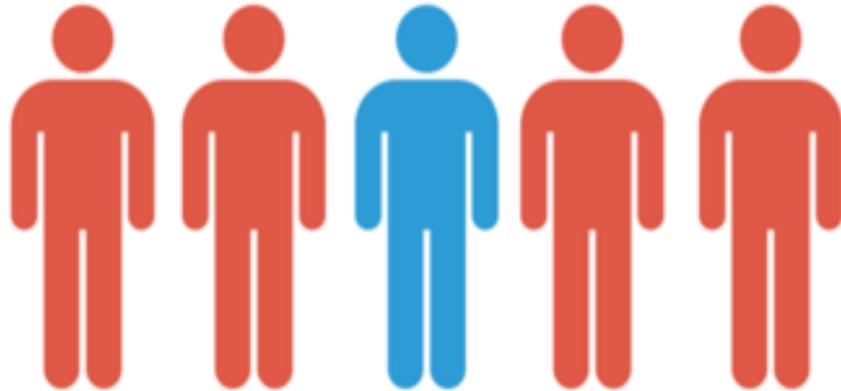


Reducing bushfire risk to vulnerable community members through Health and Community Service agencies

A business continuity approach

Australian Statistics - Disability

One in five people are living with a disability
(18.3%)



Source: 2015 ABS Data

Australian Statistics - Age



One in seven people are aged 65 years and over
(15.1%)

- Majority of those live in households **(94.8%)**
- In 2015, **50.7%** of older people were living with disability

Source: 2015 ABS Data

What impact do bushfires have?



Victorian Bushfires 2009

- 173 people died
- 16% aged 70 or over
- 28% aged between 55 - 69

At-Risk Program and its Challenges



Face to face workshop



Online training module

Industry Challenges

- Introduction of Consumer Direct Care
State → Commonwealth funding (NDIS)
- Limited funding to cover attending staff
- Time poor service providers
- Training raises more questions than answers
- Not everything is relevant

Business Continuity Framework



What's in it for the care industry

BUSHFIRE RESPONSE FOR IN-HOME CLIENTS

AGENCY GUIDE

A Guide for Health and Community Service Agencies



Bushfires can start suddenly and without warning.

This guideline provides instructions to Health and Community Service Agencies providing care, support and assistance to those Western Australians who are aged or living with a disability in their own home.

The guide assists agencies to adopt and embed policies that help their Agency to prepare and respond to bushfire emergencies affecting their Direct Care Workers and in-home clients.



IMPROVING THE SAFETY OF AT RISK PEOPLE

Resource for Service Providers

Health and Community Service Agencies have a responsibility to plan for bushfire emergencies. This ensures the health and safety of their direct care workers and staff, and to improve the safety of their in-home clients.

Implementing processes from the following guide will assist Agencies to adopt and embed policies which help them to prepare and respond to bushfire emergencies affecting their direct care workers and in-home clients. This guideline also forms part of business continuity planning that helps Agencies to prepare for a disruptive event.

DOWNLOAD
Health & Community Service Agencies
BUSHFIRE RESPONSE FOR IN-HOME CLIENTS
An Agency Guide

SUPPORTING INFORMATION & RESOURCES
The Agency Guide above is supported by a range of resources and information, including resources specifically developed for service providers and their clients.

- A GUIDE FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS** (PDF - 5.87 MB)
- BUSHFIRE RESPONSE SCHEMATIC** (PDF - 322 KB)
- BUSHFIRE CLIENT FACTSHEET** (PDF - 200 KB)
- BE SAFE & LEAVE EARLY PLAN** (PDF - 332 KB)
- BUSHFIRE RISKS AND HAZARDS** (PDF - 314 KB)
- BUSHFIRE WARNING SYSTEM** (PDF - 322 KB)
- HOW DO I KEEP INFORMED?** (PDF - 308 KB)
- AM I AT RISK OF BUSHFIRE?** (PDF - 332 KB)

Map of Bush Fire Prone Areas
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Click here for a full list of DFES's bushfire publications.



IMPROVING THE SAFETY OF AT RISK PEOPLE

A guide to assist service providers working in bushfire risk areas



Bushfires can start suddenly and without warning.

This guide will help you to understand your risk and what you need to do if a bushfire starts. Keep this guide in your vehicle at all times.



Thank you!

Questions?