

2023 AWHP Midterm Report Webinar

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Objectives



Adverse Weather and Health Plan

Midterm report

2023 to 2024

- 1. Highlights of the first six months of the AWHP implementation
- 2. Highlights of the recommendations for the next AWHP
- 3. Answers to the questions sent in advance

Link to report: click here

Adverse Weather & Health Plan (AWHP) Published – 27 April 2023







Webinar link: www.ukhsa-events.org.uk/awhp

Adverse Weather and Health Plan overview

AWHP Programme of work

AWHP: The Plan

- New impact based Alerting System
- Governance and Partnership Working
- Monitoring & Evaluation
- Responsibilities
- Quality
 Management
 Systems
- Strategy

Guidance

- Heat
- Cold Weather
- Flood
- Drought
- Including PH messaging and materials

Evidence

Including Health Equity Review and section on Rough Sleeping/ Homelessness

Weather Health Alerts

- New impact based Alerting System
- Action Cards which flow from the Alerts







Crosscutting products: LA Toolkit; HECC Report; Indicators and Metrics; Knowledge Hub

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/adverseweather-and-health-plan



Guidance and other supporting materials

Heat

- "Beat the Heat" general population guidance
- Hot Weather and Health Guidance for <u>Healthcare</u>
 Professionals
- Hot Weather and Health Guidance for <u>Care Home</u>
 <u>Managers and Social Care Staff</u>
- Hot Weather and Health Guidance for <u>Looking after</u> <u>children and early years settings</u>
- Hot Weather and Health Guidance for <u>Supporting</u> people homeless and sleeping rough
- Hot Weather and Health Guidance <u>for Organisers of</u>
 <u>Mass Gatherings</u>
- Heat Health Alert Action Cards

Cold

- "Keeping warm and well: staying safe in cold weather" general population guidance
- Top tips for keeping warm and well leaflet
- Supporting vulnerable people before and during cold weather: healthcare professionals
- Supporting vulnerable people before and during cold weather: <u>for adult social care managers</u>
- Supporting vulnerable people before and during cold weather: <u>people homeless and sleeping rough</u>
- Looking after children and those in early years settings before and during cold weather: <u>teachers and other</u> <u>educational professionals</u>
- Cold-Health Alert <u>Action Cards</u>

Flooding: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/flooding-health-guidance-and-advice

Drought: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/public-health-impact-of-drought-advice-for-the-public

Guidance

For the period 2024-26:

- Development of process for monitoring of guidance implementation
- Clearer segmentation of actions for different professional audiences
- Translation of guidance and supporting materials to improve accessibility and uptake of key messages
- Production of training slide sets for hot and cold weather

NB: Major guidance updates will occur on a 3-yearly cycle (next iteration 2026)

Q&A

- 1. Do you have any good practice that you can share on how LA's have implemented the new plans are there any areas which would be able to share their LA's plan/s for adverse weather?
- 2. Alerts technical glitches and delays
- 3. In an extreme weather event, how are key public health and safeguarding messages relayed to those who support the delivery our services, such as telephony solutions and other third parties. Do we issue formal UKHSA alerts to them to ensure consistent communications?

More questions can be sent to by Friday 5th January 2024:

https://forms.office.com/e/L0GEH5KJZr

Save the date



29 February 2024

AWHP 2024 to 25 launch webinar

Thank you!

 To register to receive the new Weather-Health alerting system click <u>here</u>

Questions form: <u>click here</u> (Deadline: 5th January 2024)

• For more information on the AWHP: SAWHP@ukhsa.gov.uk