#### NORTHCARE NETWORK

POLICY TITLE:	CATEGORY:	
Inclement Weather/Unexpected Office	Personnel	
Closure		
EFFECTIVE DATE: 4/13/16	<b>BOARD APPROVAL DATE:</b> 4/13/16	
REVIEW DATE:	REVISION(S) TO	OTHER
4/8/25	POLICY STATEMENT:	REVISION(S):
	☐ Yes ⊠ No	
RESPONSIBLE PARTY:	CEO APPROVAL DATE: 5/7/25	
HR Manager	Megan Rooney, CEO	

## **APPLIES TO**

NorthCare Network Personnel

## **POLICY**

It is the policy of NorthCare Network to promote employee safety during inclement weather and/or unexpected office closures.

# **PURPOSE**

To establish guidelines for NorthCare Network personnel during inclement weather conditions and/or when an unexpected office closure occurs.

### **DEFINITIONS**

**Inclement Weather** – is severe weather preventing safe travel and is based on road conditions.

**Unexpected Office Closure** – is an office closure, as determined by the CEO/designee, due to unforeseen circumstances preventing a safe or effective work environment such as a power outage, broken pipes, no heat, no water, adverse weather, etc.

### REFERENCES

N/A

### **HISTORY**

**NEW POLICY: 3/15/16** 

REVISION DATE: 11/27/17, 11/25/18, 9/26/19, 7/29/20, 3/4/21, 1/27/22, 8/17/23,

6/10/24, 4/8/25

REVIEW DATE: 1/20/17, 11/27/17, 11/25/18, 9/26/19, 7/29/20, 3/4/21, 1/27/22,

10/28/22, 8/17/23, 6/10/24, 4/8/25

CEO APPROVAL DATE: 3/15/16, 2/7/17, 12/11/17, 12/4/18, 10/10/19, 8/4/20, 3/4/21,

4/6/21, 2/1/22, 12/6/22, 9/5/23, 7/2/24, 5/7/25

BOARD APPROVAL DATE: 4/13/16

## **PROCEDURES**

All employees are expected to report to work unless the CEO/designee has closed the office due to an unexpected occurrence or inclement weather.

If it has been decided by the CEO/designee not to open the office, open later in the day, or close early due to an unexpected occurrence or inclement weather, the following will occur:

- 1. The HR Manager, CIO, Executive Assistant to the CEO, Provider Network Specialist, or Designee will notify Employees, Board Members, CMHSPs, Network Providers, and the media.
  - a. It is the responsibility of the employee to make sure the HR Manager has their most current phone number.
- 2. The HR Manager, CIO, or Designee will contact the After-Hours Call Center to assure coverage for Customer Service and SUD main phone lines.
- 3. Employees will be paid by NorthCare for business hours not worked due to the closure.

When the office is open and employees choose to stay home, arrive later in the day, or leave early, employees may use PTO with Supervisor approval to compensate for hours not worked.

When inclement weather is in the forecast for the next workday, the CEO may direct the HR Manager to send an email to staff encouraging employees to take their computers home to telecommute. Employees may choose to take their computers home to work during the inclement weather, work in the office, or take PTO with Supervisor approval.