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### **Provider Alert**

Nursing Facility Providers

PA-NF-18-06-01

Date: June 1, 2018

From: Nursing Facility Licensing, Safety, Oversight and Quality

Subject: Water Emergency

**The water alert for the greater Salem and West Salem areas continues to be in effect until further notice.** (For more information see previous [Provider Alert dated 05/31/2018](#))

Providers are reminded that **Oregon Administrative Rule requires facilities to have adequate water supply on hand to meet residents' needs.** This includes water for consumption, medications as well as for wound care or for individuals with other skin-related issues. For relevant OARs related to Nursing Facilities Emergency and Disaster Planning please see: [411-086-0320](#).

Please be advised that there are seven (7) [free water fill sites](#) throughout Marion and Polk counties for **those not able to purchase water.** The limit is five (5) gallons per vehicle per visit.

[Water station sites](#) may change, so please consult [this link](#) for the most up-to-date information. Sites will operate around the clock until further notice. All bulk water distribution locations are pull-through. Community members must bring their own containers. The water distribution operation is a cooperative effort between Marion County, City of Salem, and the Oregon Military Department.

The City of Keizer continues to offer a chlorinated fill station at Chalmer Jones Park off Rickman Road NE. They also are offering two truck fill stations. The [City of Keizer website](#) currently lists all businesses providing water while the advisory is in effect.

If your facility is experiencing a water shortage and you are **unable to purchase** or obtain water, please contact us via email at:

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[MARSHA.M.ELLIS@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:MARSHA.M.ELLIS@dhsosha.state.or.us) or call 503-569-6691 with your information and how much water you need. We will help to coordinate with the appropriate entities.

The [City of Salem advisory page](#) continues to be updated; please visit this site for the latest information.