

Public Information

IN-STATE STOCKPILE (ISS)

What is the IN-STATE STOCKPILE?

The ISS program is a multi-faceted approach to provide medicines and supplies to communities facing a public health emergency. Pre-positioned pharmaceuticals to treat or provide prophylaxis for a population against a wide range of health threats, including agents of biological, chemical and radiological incident (i.e. pandemic influenza, anthrax, plague outbreak, or natural disaster), can be rapidly distributed or administered to an affected community within.

Why was the ISS established?

The ISS is part of Delaware's proactive preparedness initiatives to protect Delaware residents and visitors from a possible public health emergency. The ISS was established to stockpile and pre-position various medications to expedite distribution and dispensing essential workers during a public health emergency. The ISS is designed to provide immediate access to medicines prior to receiving the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS).

What you should know about medicines in the ISS

The primary pharmaceuticals in the ISS are the antibiotics Doxycycline and Ciprofloxacin. The ISS also contains the antiviral medications, Tamiflu and Relenza, potassium iodide (KI), nerve agent antidotes, and other items that would be necessary during a medical event.

- State and local emergency response planners are working together to ensure that the ISS medicines will be delivered to the affected area to protect you and your family if there is a public health emergency.
- No payment is required for medications received from the ISS.

How will you get your ISS MEDICINE?

The general public may receive ISS medications through the Neighborhood Emergency Help Centers (NEHCs). (To learn more about the NEHCs, please see our fact sheet on the Delaware Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health website.)

24/7 Emergency Contact Number: 1-888-295-5156

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