HCCI/Council: New Member Benefit
Emergency Preparedness

We are partnering with The Collaborative Healthcare Urgency Group (CHUG) to offer a new member benefit that helps facilities prepare for the new CMS Interpretive Emergency Preparedness Rule. HCCI and Council members get discounted rates for consulting services and plan templates.

HCCI and Council member facilities can choose between two packages.

**Package One:** Emergency Operation Plan Template for Nursing Homes patterned after the new regulations for $375 per facility, when your facility attends the HCCI/Council seminar described below. **Package Two:** CHUG membership ($600) with many products and services, such as ongoing consulting services individualized for each facility and participation in a disaster drill in late September, which will meet the drill requirements outlined in the new regulations. Facilities joining CHUG will also get the template at the reduced rate above.

**How is the HCCI/Council seminar related?**
CHUG will present a three-hour seminar on September 7 from 8:30–11:45 a.m. at the Skokie Holiday Inn. Registration information can be found on the Education Page at [www.nursinghome.org](http://www.nursinghome.org). Cost is $125 per seminar attendee, which is not included in packages outlined above. This seminar will walk you through step-by-step what must be in your plan, help you evaluate your current plans and prepare for the new regulations.

**Why is this program important?**
CHUG membership, template and seminar attendance will set your facility up for success to be prepared to meet the new regulations and have a well-thought-out response for unanticipated times of crisis. All facilities inevitably have weaknesses in their current plans, and it's imperative to identify them and mitigate them as you face new, more detailed regulations.

For more info about CHUG visit [www.chugteam.org](http://www.chugteam.org). To inquire about CHUG membership or services, contact Connie Polke the CHUG executive director at connie.polke@gmail.com or (847) 812-1629.