

## Severe Weather at MD Anderson Information for Surgery Patients

Hurricane season begins June 1 and ends Nov. 30. Storms and hurricanes are serious events. For your safety, it is important to watch the weather during this time and to prepare for storms that may be a threat to Houston.

### How do I find out if my surgery appointment is affected?

We may have limited staff and resources during a severe storm and may need to cancel and reschedule surgeries.

#### If we need to cancel your surgery:

- And you **have not completed** your pre-surgery appointment at the PeriOperative Evaluation and Management (**POEM**) Center, a staff member from your care center will contact you. To update your contact information, go to [MyChart.mdanderson.org](http://MyChart.mdanderson.org) or contact your care center.
- And you **have completed** your pre-surgery appointment at the **POEM** Center, call 713-563-8974 between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, for an update about your surgery. A patient services coordinator at the Surgery Check-In office will help you. After 7 p.m. until 9 p.m., Monday through Friday, call 713-792-2480.
- We will reschedule your surgery after we return to normal operations. This usually occurs within 3 business days after a severe weather event.



#### Lodging

Call your local hotel or RV park to cancel or reschedule your stay. For the Jesse H. Jones Rotary House, call 713-790-1600 or 800-847-5783.

### Where can I find information about Houston weather?

We update MD Anderson's MyChart website with storm information as appropriate. We also post general information at <http://www3.mdanderson.org/emergencyalert>

To monitor the Houston area weather, visit these websites:

- <http://www.weather.com>
- <http://abclocal.go.com/ktrk>
- <http://www.click2houston.com>
- <http://www.khou.com>