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Code Blue In Effect Through Tomorrow, Thursday, January 5th

For Emergency Sheltering, Call CONTACT 856-234-8888

The Burlington County Health Department today declared that a Code Blue Cold Weather Emergency will remain in effect this evening through 9 AM tomorrow, Thursday, January 5, 2012. Officials will then review and assess upcoming weather forecasts.

A Code Blue declaration is made in Burlington County when winter conditions pose a threat of serious harm or death to individuals without shelter. When a Code Blue is enacted it provides for short-term emergency sheltering. Individuals can call CONTACT of Burlington County at 856-234-8888 or 866-234-5006 for a list of available shelters and additional Code Blue information.

According to County Health Coordinator Robert Gogats, the County was under Code Blue Monday evening, January 2nd, for the first time this winter season, and reactivated last evening into today.

For general cold weather precautions, check the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website: <http://www.bt.cdc.gov/disasters/winter>.

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