



**Subject: MedSurplus Alliance & Kits4Life: Hurricane Helene Response**

**As the aftermath of Hurricane Helene continues to unfold, we want to update you on how the MedSurplus Alliance (MSA) and our MSRO partners are responding to this evolving situation.**

**In line with MSA's commitment to effective disaster relief, we prioritize listening to the needs of local communities and first responders before providing assistance. This ensures we avoid the "second disaster" of overwhelming these areas with unwanted donations, which can create logistical challenges.**

**At this stage, MSA-accredited Medical Surplus Recovery Organizations (MSROs) are focusing on providing cash grants. These grants empower local organizations to address their most urgent rebuilding needs, including the provision of medical supplies and equipment when appropriate. As the situation soon shifts from response to recovery, MSROs will fulfill supply requests from trusted responders to support nonprofits in the impacted region.**

**Our Kits4Life team is also actively exploring how to best contribute to long-term recovery efforts. We will continue to monitor on-the-ground needs and provide thoughtful, effective assistance as the situation evolves. In the meantime, if you're aware of any impacts on your clinical trial sites or local organizations, please let us know how we can support their rebuilding efforts.**

**We deeply value your partnership and welcome any suggestions or questions you may have. Please feel free to reach out at any time.**