

## **Talking Points for Potassium Iodide (KI) Distribution**

### **What is it?**

Iredell County Health Department will distribute potassium iodide (KI) tablets at no charge to residents of Iredell County living in the 10-mile Emergency Planning Zone (EPZ) surrounding the McGuire Nuclear Power Plant. Residents of Iredell County who live outside of the 10 mile EPZ and wish to have a stock of the pills should contact their local pharmacy to see where they can purchase KI pills or go to [www.anbex.com](http://www.anbex.com) or [www.nukepills.com](http://www.nukepills.com) to order a supply.

As of 3/15/11 these two pharmacies could order or have the pills:

HealthSmart Pharmacy 704-658-1184  
108 Leaning Oak Drive  
 Mooresville, NC 28117

Rite Aid Pharmacy 704-696-0447  
107 Argus Lane  
 Mooresville, NC 28117

### **Questions about Potassium Iodide (KI)**

Refer to KI fact sheet

### **What the client should expect when they receive the pills?**

The resident living in the 10 mile EPZ that picks up pills from the health department will receive two pills per person in their household. KI will only be given for humans. If pills are requested for pets, the citizen should be directed to their veterinarian. They will also be given an information sheet, explaining its proper use. The information sheet should be read at their earliest convenience and they should NOT take the tablets at that time. Public health officials will direct citizens when they should take the pills during an emergency situation.

### **How does a person know if they live in the 10 mile Emergency Planning Zone (EPZ)?**

Refer the client to the EPZ map on Duke Energy's website: [http://www.duke-energy.com/pdfs/mcguire\\_epz\\_map.pdf](http://www.duke-energy.com/pdfs/mcguire_epz_map.pdf)

### **Where can residents pick up pills?**

Iredell County Health Department  
610 East Center Avenue  
 Mooresville, NC  
28115  
704-664-5281

Iredell County Health Department  
318 Turnersburg Highway  
Statesville, NC 28625  
704-878-5300

When can people pick it up?  
Monday through Friday, 8am-5pm

Websites to visit for more information:

[www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

[www.epi.state.nc.us/epi/phpr/ki/ki.html](http://www.epi.state.nc.us/epi/phpr/ki/ki.html)

[www.duke-energy.com/safety/nuclear-emergency-preparedness/mcguire.asp](http://www.duke-energy.com/safety/nuclear-emergency-preparedness/mcguire.asp)

<http://www.co.iredell.nc.us/Departments/Health/health.asp> (click on Emergency Preparedness)

If there are questions staff does not feel comfortable asking please direct to the HEEP division.