County Advantages

- Counties can add their own custom questions to Special Needs Applications (ie Evacuation Zones).
- Screens can be configured with custom colors, fonts, and logo to match county emergency management sites.
- Provides access to all registrants by counties that use or upload within Florida.
- Counties have multiple reports and ability to filter and search results.
- Direct notification can be made from the Registry through the FDOH Everbridge.
- FDOH Everbridge registrants are refreshed every night or downloads can be made to use the EM Everbridge.
- Registrant information can be transferred from one county to another if they move.
- Vital Statistics report runs twice a month to remove registrants with Florida filed death certificates.
- Technical assistance is available to EM, FDOH, Health Care Providers, Registrants, and Public Users.
- Shares data with E-PLUS to assist with client tracking.
- E-PLUS also supports shelter operations by enabling access to national health information exchange networks to retrieve clinical records and medication fill histories.

Florida Special Needs Registry Features

- A custom designed product that is owned and built by the State of Florida. It is not a subscription.
- There is no charge to use the Registry.
- Support is provided at FDOH for technical issues and for assistance maintenance. Updates are done by developers located at FDOH.
- Tested under load and used during Ian and Nicole with no crashes.
- Allows the Public to fill out Special Needs Applications for themselves or others.
- Automatic geo code validation of city and zip code during registration process.
- Reports embedded for the county includes statistics, duplicates, and geo code errors.
- A short form called the wizard can be enabled by any county for entering registrant applications.
- A paper form can be generated / County staff can enter Special Needs Applications when a paper form is received.
- Intake feature creates accurate client list and data for sheltering events.

Healthcare Provider Advantages

- Allows Specific Health Care Provider Organizations to fill out Special Needs Applications for their clients. Links clients to their Health Care Provider in single or multiple counties.
- Health Care Providers that can be added are End Stage Renal Disease, Home Health Agencies, Home Medical Equipment, Hospice, and Nurse Registry.
- Most healthcare providers are required by statute to assist their clients in registering and the procedure to do so is outlined in their Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. The Registry facilitates compliance.
- Providers can view only clients linked to their organization only.
- Providers can additionally add contacts that are associated with continuity of care.
- Is a planning tool for areas of Special Needs: Electrical Dependent, Oxygen Dependent, Mobility Issues, Medical Issues, Specific Transportation Needs, Medications, etc. Allows additional notes.