DO YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW DEPEND ON MEDICAL EQUIPMENT THAT REQUIRES ELECTRICITY?

Be prepared for power outages. They can lead to serious health concerns for people who use dialysis machines, apnea monitors, respirators or other medical equipment that requires electricity.

Tell your utility provider if you use electric-powered medical equipment (see box). They can let you know if power problems are expected in your area. If utilities are included in your rent, you are still eligible to register for this service from your utility provider.

Be ready for any emergency. Make sure you have backup batteries and/or oxygen tanks, and create an emergency contact list and a written emergency plan.

For more information, call 311 or visit on.nyc.gov/power.