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Code Blue Declared Tonight Through Saturday

For Emergency Sheltering, Call CONTACT 856-234-8888

With extremely cold conditions expected to gradually move into the area this weekend, the Burlington County Health Department today declared that a Code Blue Cold Weather Emergency will go into effect on Sunday.

Officially, the Code Blue will commence at 8 PM Sunday, January 20, 2013 and run through 10 AM, Tuesday, January 22, 2013. Subfreezing temperatures are expected during the evening hours during this period, possibly dipping between 20 degrees during the early Tuesday morning hours.

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.

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