

NEXT OF KIN EDUCATION PROJECT MILESTONES

2001

Illinois & California Next of Kin Laws are enacted.

2002

The Next of Kin Education Project is founded.

2003

California Next of Kin Law for Nursing Homes is Enacted.

The Seven Steps to Successful Notification debuts to give hospitals the concise, easy to follow benchmarks they need to train nurses and physicians to perform next of kin notifications quickly and easily in every situation.





2004



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Memorial Care Medical Centers, Universal Studios and SpectraLink Wireless Phones came on board to Sponsor the distribution of the Seven Steps Guide.

2005

Obtained the goal of distributing the Seven Steps to 100,000 Health Care Professionals nationwide and worldwide, to countries including England, Ireland, Australia, Nigeria, Spain and China.

After Hurricane Katrina, NOKEP founders Janet and Laura Greenwald used the research and knowledge gained from the Seven Steps, to create systems called the "Safe Family Action Plan" & "Don't Lose All Your Stuff In A Hurricane!" to help families to prepare for and stay safe during natural disasters, accidents and medical emergencies.



2006



The television series "E.R." cites the Illinois Next of Kin Law in Season 12 Episode, "The Man With No Name".



NBC chose The Next of Kin Education Project's Safe Family Action Plan, as NBC.com's only resource for the miniseries **10.5 Apocalypse**.



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2007/ 2008 NOKEP takes the Seven Steps to the next level by developing "Creating A Next of Kin Notification Program", a SixSigma based training program for rolling out the next of kin notification process in any hospital, large or small. It includes Patient Tracking Worksheets to track an unconscious patient's progress through the notification process, giving staff members the real time data they need at every stage, as well as a documented legal record of the steps that have been taken, program documentation, work flows, training tools and everything they need to create their very own Notification Program.



2009/ 2010





Laura Greenwald receives the Presidential Volunteer Service Award.

"Don't Lose All Your Stuff At College!" an action plan for college students and their parents debuts. Ready In 10 debuts in 2010. It's goal? Every home in America ready to deal with any disaster or emergency in 10 minutes or less.