



Warning for The Placement of Temporary Medical Facilities

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, hospitals, testing sites and other medical facilities may find the need to erect tents or like temporary structures in your community. Mississippi 811, and our utility partners would like to remind you that the driving of stakes for the installation of tents creates a risk of damaging a buried utility line.

To avoid injuries and damaging buried lines and potentially creating a utility outage, notification should be made to Mississippi 811 to have all buried utility lines marked prior to starting the work. For these cases, when the 811 request is made it is key to indicate that this notice is for a Temporary Emergency Medical Worksite and request that the member utility operators get an "Emergency" locate notification. You are also encouraged to contact your essential local utilities before starting these projects.

To place a utility locate request, Call 811 or use our online service at www.ms811.org. Mississippi 811 encourages all excavation partners and the general public to exercise the utmost in caution, cooperation and patience as you plan and perform excavation work during this time. Please visit www.ms811.org for additional information.