Take These Precautions When Transporting People During Hot Weather

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Be aware that older adults are particularly susceptible to heat related injury and death. Heatstroke occurs 12 to 13 times more often in persons 65 years or older than it does in younger persons.

When transporting people from your facility to another location during hot weather, HHSC encourages providers to:

- Carry a list with the names of all people being transported.
- Verify that everyone has exited the vehicle at drop-off locations.
- Ensure no one is left inside the vehicle when you park it.
- Ensure seat belts and seat surfaces inside the vehicle are not too hot before people get in.

In addition, knowing the signs of heat related illnesses helps ensure the safety of the people you serve during hot weather. Learn more at:

- Heat Stress in Older Adults, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Extreme Heat Safety, Texas Department of Public Safety