

Today's Leads: Cuomo Optimistic About Aid; ERs Overwhelmed After Storm

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Gov. Cuomo says he's optimistic about his meetings yesterday with the White House and Congressional leaders where he [pressed for aid](#) to help rebuild from Superstorm Sandy. Congress and the president are currently trying to agree on how to avoid a possible fiscal crisis next month. The disaster aid will most likely be [tied to those talks](#). Some in Congress have suggested the aid be [offset by cuts elsewhere](#), a move that would put the money at risk. This is the first time Cuomo has visited Washington since being elected. Mayor Bloomberg made a similar visit last week. New Jersey is also seeking about \$37 billion in aid.

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