

Emergency Preparedness and You

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Causes of Disasters

There are many types Disasters out in our environment

The most obvious are the Natural ones that we frequently see

- Weather issues

- Earth changes

Natural Incidents



Natural Incidents



Some Unnatural Events that cause disasters

There are man made issues that are referred to as disasters

- Industrial Accidents

- Energy related issues

 - Power Plant problems

Worst of all are the Terrorist events and Weapons of Mass Destruction

Man Made Accidents



Weapons of Mass Destruction



These are the Images
that we all Think of
when the term
Emergency/ Disaster
Preparedness is used

But is that really all???

Emerging Infectious Diseases

INFLUENZA

**Begins with Headache
Chilly Sensations and Fever**

When uncomplicated it is not a serious disease and fever goes down in two or three days.

**If fever persists or returns
it probably means a most
serious PNEUMONIA.**

When first taken sick, patients must be put to bed in a room by themselves and must not get up for anything.

Send for a doctor right away.

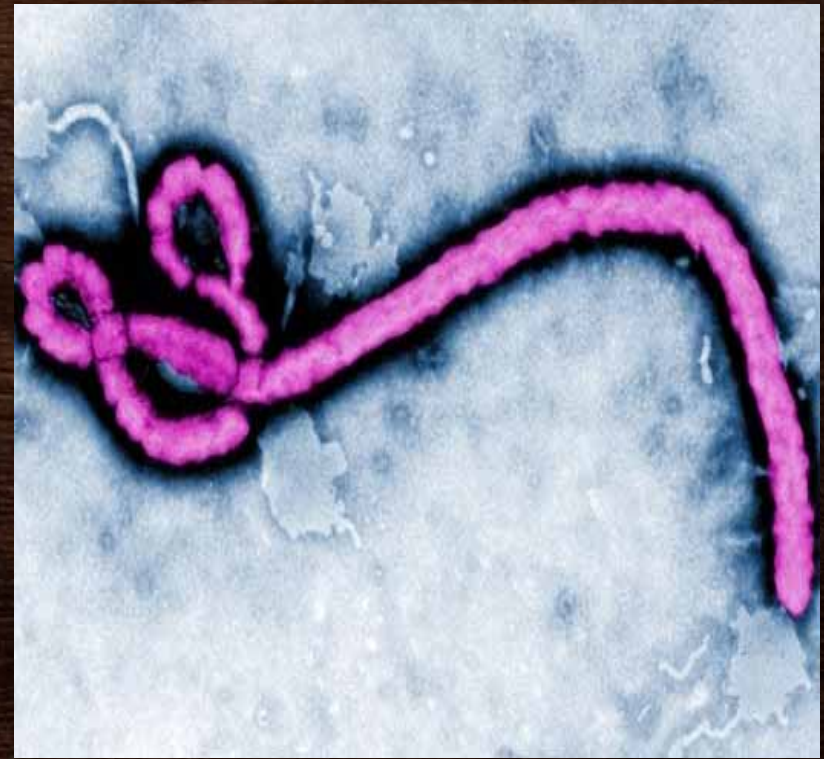
We urgently advise patients to go to a hospital in the early stage.

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And our most recent threats.....



And our most recent viral threats.....



Hospitals and Health
Departments allow great time
and consideration to the act of
preparedness.

Kansas has built critical infrastructure to help hospitals in a medical crisis

Deployable Hospital Tents



Alternate Care Site Trailers



Portable Equipment and plans



Why Do we do this?

From “*Greatest Need*”:

Allocation of all appropriate resources to improve the health or save the life of each individual patient

Focus on individual patient

To “*Utilitarian Distribution*”:

Allocation of resources to provide greatest good to largest number of people

Focus on population

Planning and Training

As with any plan there are starting and reference points that can be taught.

There are many avenues of instruction available to the healthcare professional

Online...onsite and offsite and distance training from public agencies

Government Training Facilities



Government Training Facilities



How Prepared are you ?

Do you have a list of things you may need to keep you sustained in an Emergency/disaster?

Do you have a “go bag” that can help you get through a tough period.

**Fire Food Shelter Personal Comfort Items
to keep you going for 24 to 72 hours**

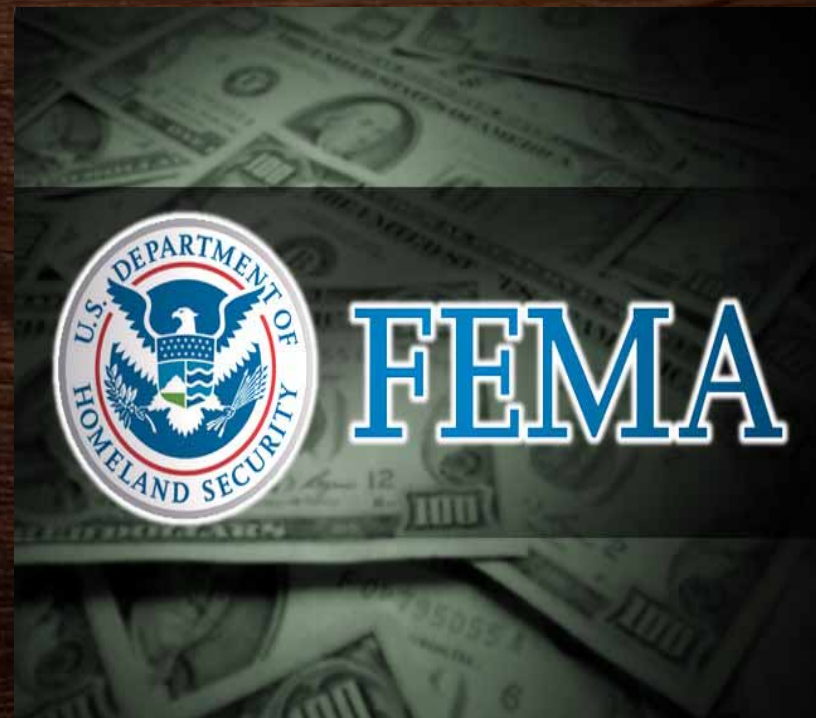
Examples of a “Go Bag”



Do you have a personal plan for disaster recovery?

- Have you set up rally points for your family to meet during a disaster?
- Have you set up phone numbers to call that are away from the disaster site to contact... An out of state relative?
- Have you set up a back up plan for any important documents i.e.: bank accounts, insurance papers, immunization/medical records?

We always look to others during a disaster for assistance



But this all starts at home...



Who's Job is Preparedness?



Winner of the "Not My Job"
Award - ADOT
Litchfield Park, AZ 85

It is all of our jobs to be personally prepared.

- Our facilities may offer some options to assist us in the event of a disaster.
- But in reality if we are not prepared to care for ourselves and those closest to us are we really prepared to care properly for others?
- **“Airplane Rules” put your mask on first and then help others**

In Conclusion

Get some training and education

Make a plan for yourself and let others know your plan

Put together a “go bag” for yourself and those close to you

Once you are prepared to care for yourself you will be better prepared to care for others

Questions?



Thank You for your time

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