Disaster Emergency Evacuation Preparedness™

Module 1.5

Shelter-in & Shelter-out

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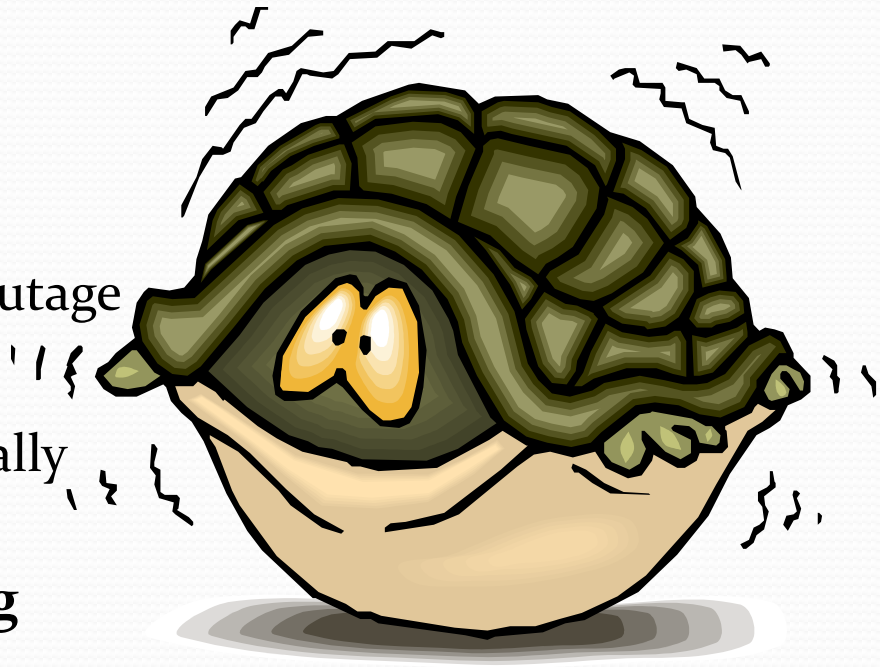
Evacuation Planning

Consider multiple scenarios as you plan for evacuating your children & staff…

When is a shelter-in appropriate?

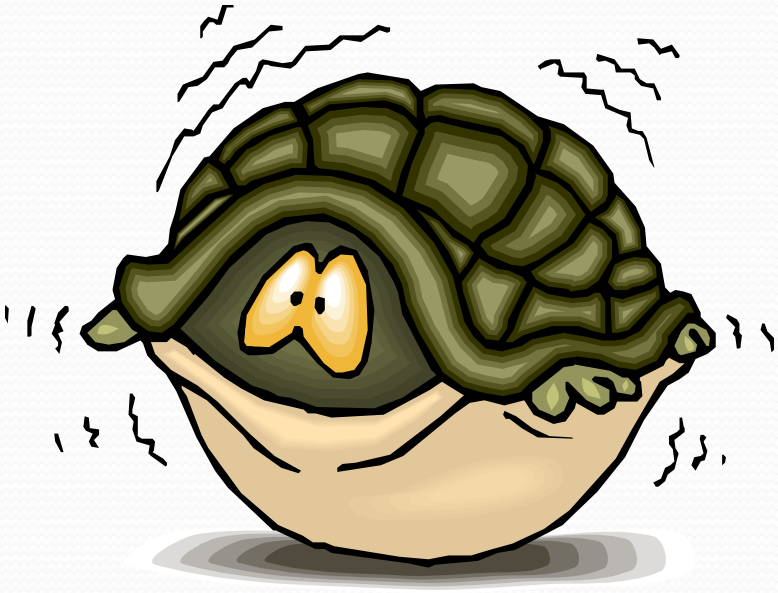
Shelter–in considerations could be:

- An emergency that requires **keeping everyone inside** the facility
  - Weather, technological
  - Examples: Dust storm, power outage
- "**Lock down**"
  - Frequently occurs with potentially violent situations
- **A need to isolate the building environment** from the outside



Shelter-in:

Understanding why you are remaining in the facility will help you choose:



- The appropriate actions to implement

  and

- How best to reassure and keep the children calm.

When is a shelter-out appropriate?

Planning for a shelter-out situation

- Involves:
  - Evacuating everyone from the building
  - Moving to a safe site or alternate location until reunification with families
- Includes a physical way to relocate everyone

Shelter-out considerations

What events might instigate this option?

Evacuation / Shelter-out review:

- Do you know **where** you are going?
- Do they **know** you are coming?
- Are you **prepared** to go to a location determined by emergency personnel?
- Do you have a plan to **notify** parents?

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How will children be safely evacuated?

TRANSPORTATION

- Do you have transportation available?
- Do you need to arrange transportation?
- Whether walking or driving, do you have the equipment you need to ensure children's safe arrival?

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Special Needs

Medical Life-Threatening Emergencies

Special Health Care Needs

These issues can apply to both children and staff members

Action plans and supplies for these individuals must be included in evacuation planning

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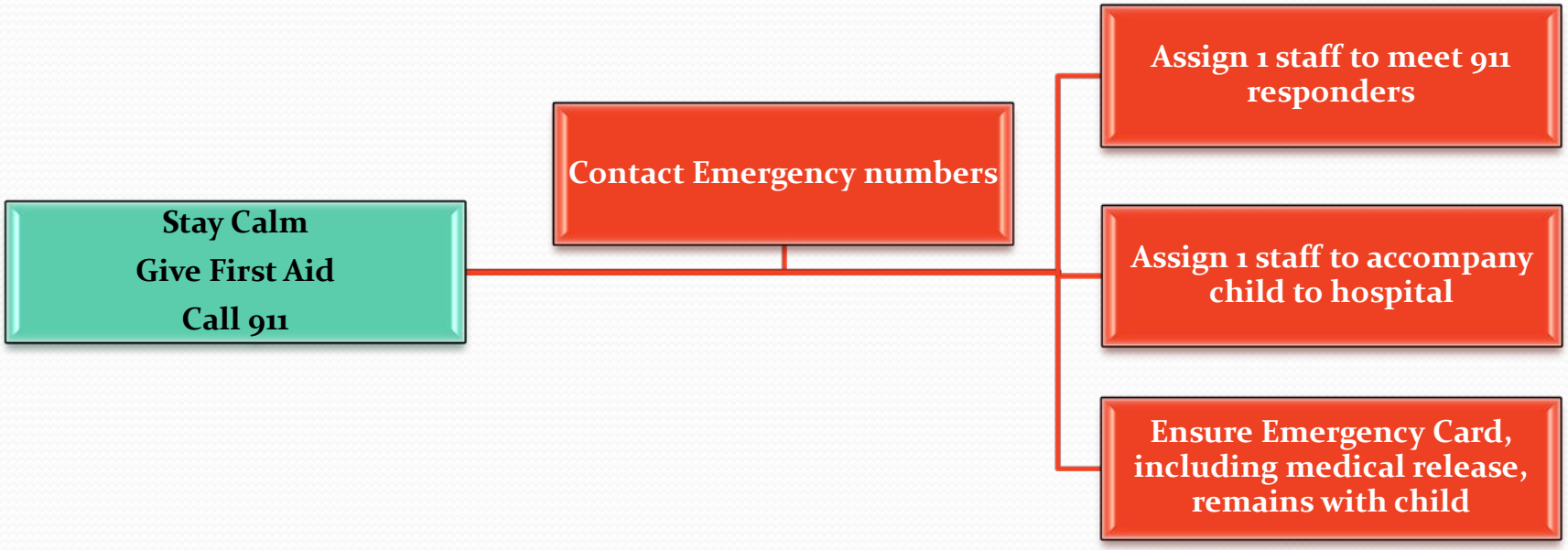
MEDICAL LIFE-THREATENING EMERGENCIES: The individual needs immediate medical aid to stabilize and prevent the medical condition from deteriorating.



Examples of life threatening medical emergencies are as follows:

Compound fractures, severe lacerations, internal bleeding, severe burns, difficulty in breathing, heart problems, shock, severe allergic reactions, unconsciousness.

Special Health Care Needs: Individual Emergency Plans

Development

- Include PARENTS & MEDICAL PROVIDERS

Development

- Action steps to assist the evacuation & transportation of children and required supplies

Development

- Alert emergency workers that individuals with special needs are present and may need help

Special Health Care Needs: Individual Emergency Plans

Maintenance

- Update the plan whenever necessary

Maintenance

- Train staff regarding emergency needs of children & staff

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