

### Indiana Emergency Response Planning Guide For Child Care Providers

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## National Commission on Children & Disasters

#### **\*Established in 2007**

## Report the state of emergency preparedness & the impact on existing public policy

Delivered in 2010 to President & Congress



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## Partners for Planning Guide

- Indiana Association for Child Care Resource and Referral
- Indiana Department of Education, Indiana School Safety Specialist Academy
- Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Community Environmental Health and Education



## **Partners for Planning Guide**

Indiana Department of Homeland Security, Planning and Assessment Division & Indiana State Fire Marshal's Office

- Indiana Family & Social Services
  Administration, Bureau of Child Care
- Indiana School of Medicine, Emergency Medical Services for Children
- Indiana State Department of Health, Public Health Preparedness and Emergency Response



## Purpose

Provide basic preparedness and planning information

Five goals to educate providers on developing an Emergency Response Plan (ERP)

- **1. Creating and executing an emergency evacuation plan.**
- 2. Collecting and posting emergency numbers.





- 3. Reviewing and posting guides on how to handle an emergency within the child care setting.
- 4. Training staff on specific roles and responsibilities during an emergency.
- 5. Reviewing special considerations for children with health needs and disabilities during an emergency.



# Incident Command System

\*Guide follows and discusses ICS and National Incident Management System

\*Provides Suggested Roles and Responsibilities Checklist to include Staff, Maintenance, and Parents



## **Current Indiana Requirements**

#### \* Fire/smoke/bomb threat emergencies

\* Tornado

\* Earthquake







## **Emergency Planning-More than a Good Idea**

**Protects lives of children & staff** 

- + Lessens impact on public or private property
- + Provides an understanding of strengths and limitations
- + Laws in place
- + Liability for the provider
- + Helps prevent chaos among parents, children, and staff
- + Improves Recovery time



## **Information in the Guide**

- **\* Information from the 2010 HIRA**
- Stription of County EMAs and other local partners in the community
- **\* Illness Prevention**
- **\* Suggested Emergency Actions & Matrix**
- **Child Care Planning Considerations**



## **Information in the Guide**

#### **\* Roles & Responsibilities of Staff**

**\* Emergency Supplies** 

Communication of the Emergency Response Plan

\* Reunification



## **Information in the Guide**

**\*Emergency drills & procedures** 

\*Handling medical illness emergencies & disease outbreaks

Special considerations for children with health care needs

**\*Recovering from an emergency** 





## Information in the Guide

#### **\*Staff training resources**

#### **\***Resources for the providers

#### **\*Along with "Tabs" for specific Issues**

#### \*Reproducible forms for centers to use



## **Emergency Action Categories**

Threats & Hazards	Lockdown	Shelter- in- Place	Temporary Evacuation	Permanent Evacuation
Fire			X	X
Severe Weather		X		
Tornado		Х		
Flash Flood/Flood		X	X	X
Earthquake			X	X
Winter Storm		X	X	X
Temporary Utility Disruption		Х	Х	x
Hazmat Spill On-Site		X	X	x
Hazmat Spill Off-Site		X		X
Physical/Verbal Threat	X		X	X
Potential Violent Threat (Intruder/Hostage Situation)	X	X	Х	X
Missing or Abducted Child Care Attendee	X			



## **Emergency Procedures**

- **\* Preparation requires staff/programs to:** 
  - Develop written policies/procedures
  - Train staff
- Practice-Practice-Practice
  With staff & children
  Without staff & children
- Notification/Reunification





## **Courses from FEMA**

- **\* IS-36 Multihazard Planning for Childcare**
- \* IS-100.SCa Intro to ICS for Schools
- \* IS- 230.b Fundamentals of Emergency Management
- IS-366 Planning for Needs of Children in Disasters
- http://training.fema.gov/IS/crslist.asp





## **Courses from FEMA**

- \* IS-700.a National Incident Management System
- \* IS-909 Community Preparedness: Implementing Simple Activities for Everyone

http://training.fema.gov/IS/crslist.asp







\*Distribution of Guide <u>www.childcarefinder.in.gov</u> <u>www.in.gov/dhs</u>

#### Training Program for Bureau of Child Care Staff & Consultants

**\*On-line training program for providers** 





