

# Veterinary Science

Preparatory Training for the Veterinary Assistant

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# Clinic Emergency Management Plan

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# Objectives

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- Discuss risk assessment of potential disasters
- Describe written plan for evacuation
- Describe written plan for recovery
- Discuss simulative exercise of complete plan

# Risk Assessment

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- Anticipate disaster events in area
  - Natural disasters
    - Floods
    - Hurricanes
    - Tornados
  - Man-made disasters
    - Electrical fires
    - Wildfires
    - Chemical explosions
    - Chemical spills

# Written Plan for Evacuation

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- Objectives for desired results
- Key personnel and responsibilities
- Back-up files of medical records
- Pre-identified destinations
  - Veterinary clinics
  - Evacuation shelters
- Travel routes to pre-identified destinations

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- List of equipment and supplies
  - List of food and water for hospital staff
  - List of food and water for hospital patients
  - List of vehicles and transporting plans
    - Equipment and medical supplies
    - Emergency supplies
    - Food and water
    - Hospital staff
    - Hospital patients
    - Cages, collars, and leashes for patients

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- Means for notifying owners of hospital patients
  - Means for communications with staff
  - Means for physical security of staff
  - Means for physical security of hospital
  - Means for physical security of patients
  - Means for treatment of evacuated patients
  - Means for identifying and tracking patients

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## ■ Appendices

- List of evacuation highway routes
  - Evacuation road maps
- List of names of staff and volunteers
- List of cell phone numbers of staff
- List of home addresses of staff
- List of evacuation destinations of staff



# Written Plan for Recovery

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- Post-evacuation
  - Means to return patients to hospital or homes
  - Means to return staff to hospital or homes
  - Means to return equipment and supplies to hospital

# Simulative Exercise of Complete Plan

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- Distribute plan to staff
  - Communicate and train staff!
- Test the plan in a simulative disaster
  - Rehearse or drill!
- Continual review and update of the written “Clinic Emergency Management Plan”