



Gove County Medical Center

785-754-3341

Emergency Response Guide

Follow instructions of authorities and use good judgement in the absence of instruction.

Do I Go?

EVACUATE

- Leave using the nearest exit or alternate exit if nearest exit is blocked
- Take personal belongings, but do not delay your exit to retrieve items
- If unable to exit, move to designated areas of refuge.
- Once outside, do not reenter until instructed by authorities

FIRE

- Activate nearest fire alarm (near each exit).
- Evacuate. If smoke is present, stay low to the floor.
- Call 911 when safe to do so.

EXPLOSION

- Evacuate, if smoke is present, stay low to the floor
- Watch out for falling debris, take cover and protect head.
- If you become trapped, tap on a wall or pipe to alert rescuers.
- Call 911 when safe to do so.

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILL

- If danger is indoors, evacuate the building. If danger is outdoors, go inside and shelter in place
- Call 911 when safe to do so.
- Alert others to stay clear of the danger area.
- Notify emergency personnel if you have been exposed or have information about the release.

SUSPICIOUS OBJECT

- Do not touch or disturb object.
- Call 911 when safe to do so.
- Prepare to evacuate if instructed.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON

- Do not confront, stop, or apprehend the person.
- Note the person's description and suspicious activity.
- Call 911 when safe to do so.
- Provide details on the person and his/her direction of travel

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DIRECTOR

- Call 785-754-5162 for Preparedness questions.

Do I Stay?

SHELTER IN PLACE

- Evaluate the situation and choose the most appropriate shelter location, for example:
- Severe weather: lowest interior space away from windows. Facility hallways.
- Violence: secure, enclosed space, behind solid objects and away from doors.
- Move to shelter, taking your emergency go bag.
- Remain sheltered until instructed it is safe to leave.

TORNADO

- Seek shelter immediately. Go to internal, lowest area of safety away from windows and glass.
- Close all doors, including main corridors.
- Crouch near the floor or under heavy, well-supported objects and cover your head.
- If outside, move inside a sturdy structure or lie down in low area such as a ditch and cover your head.
- Call 911 to report injuries, fire, gas leaks, debris, etc.

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

- If illness or injury is serious, do not move the person. Call 911 or facility 785-754-3341
- If appropriate and available, get someone trained in CPR or AED to help.
- Send someone to meet emergency personnel outside, and direct them to the person's location.

VIOLENT INCIDENT/ACTIVE SHOOTER

- RUN: Evacuate if it is safe to do so.
 - ✓ Call 911 when safe to do so.
- HIDE: If it is unsafe to escape, hide in an area out of view.
 - ✓ Lock the door and block entry; stay behind solid objects away from the door
 - ✓ Turn off light and computers. Silence cell phones.
- FIGHT: Prepare to defend yourself if necessary.

UTILITY FAILURES

- Call Maintenance:
 - Business hours (8 a.m. – 5 p.m.): 785-754-5147
 - After business hours: 785-754-3341
- Call 911 immediately if there is potential danger to occupants