

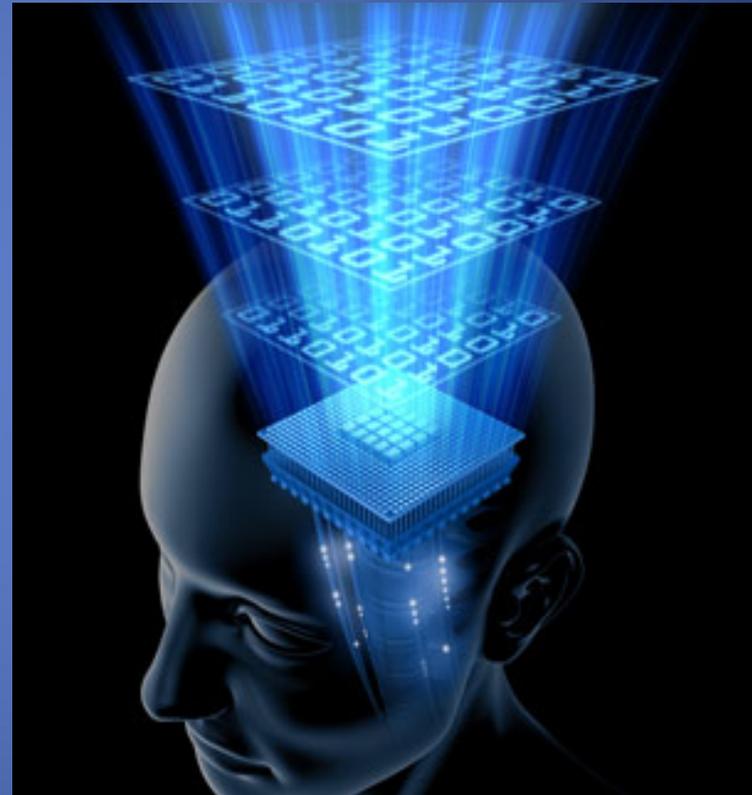
Disaster Information Resources: What You Don't Know Can Hurt You



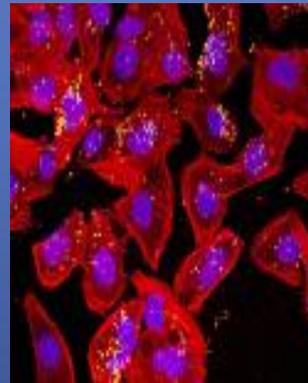
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Overview / Objectives

- What are the various types of disasters/emergencies?
- What issues arise from disasters/emergencies?
- Why is information important?
- Where should you go for quality information?



Types of Disasters and Emergencies



Types of Disasters/Emergencies

Natural Examples

Earthquake

Blizzard / Winter Storm

Hurricane

Flood

Volcano

Landslide

Wildfire or Fire*

Biological Outbreak*

Man-made Examples

Nuclear Plant Emergency

Chemical Spill

Biological Threat

Bombs / Explosions

Terrorism

Bridge Collapse

Wildfire or Fire*

Biological Threat*

*Various Disasters/Emergencies may be natural or man-made

“Local” Emergencies

- Car/multi-car accident
- Flood in home/neighborhood
- School Shooting
- Contaminated water
- Virus among students (flu)
- Biking or hiking accident

Disaster/Emergency Issues

- Basic Needs
 - food, clothing, shelter
- Health Problems/Physical Injuries
 - cuts, burns, broken bones
- Environmental Problems
 - clean air, potable water
- Communication Problems
 - Electricity, telephone services, individual contact

(What you don't know can hurt you)

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Why Is Information Important?



Information Helps Solve Issues

- If **informed**, you can manage...
 - Basic needs
 - Health problems/physical injuries
 - Environmental problems
 - Communication problems
- If **informed**, you'll know what to do for...
 - Flooding
 - Earthquakes
 - Blizzards / Storms
 - Fires
 - Outbreaks
 - Accidents

Where should you go for quality information?



Where should you go for quality information?

- Federal, state, and local government websites:
 - www.nlm.nih.gov
 - www.ready.gov
 - <http://ready.alaska.gov>
 - <http://www.homeland.ca.gov>
 - www.cdc.gov
 - www.fema.gov

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- Emergency kit and plan information
- Specific topic overviews (what to do info)
- State and local information
- Tips
- Ready Twitter
- Ready classroom for students

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Information

- Diseases and Conditions
- Emergency Preparedness Response
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- CDC Mobile (cell phone / PDA)

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What you don't know can hurt you...

