

## DEARNESS HOME POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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### PURPOSE

The Extreme Weather Plan is a summary of emergency actions and response measures in support of the applicable Code Green or Code Grey Emergency Response Plans or any other extreme weather event. The Extreme Weather Plan Checklist is located in Appendix 'F' – Extreme Weather Plan.

### EMERGENCY ALERTS

Emergency alerts are created and sent by authorized emergency management organizations, such as police departments, Environment and Climate Change Canada, and provincial and territorial bodies. They will give advance warning of extreme weather when possible.

### EXTREME WEATHER

Extreme events are occurrences of unusually severe weather or climate conditions that can cause devastating impacts on LTCH's and surrounding communities. Weather-related extreme events are often short-lived and include heat or cold waves, winter storm warnings, wind, tornadoes and floods. Tornadoes and floods also have the capacity to be classified as natural disasters.

### NATURAL DISASTER

Natural Disaster means a natural occurrence, such as a flood, winter storm/blizzard, tornado, windstorm, or other event which threatens the public peace, health and safety of the people and/or damages and destroys public and private property.

### URGENT MAINTENANCE SERVICES

See Appendix 'C' - Communication Plan to locate any of the following:

1. Call In List
2. Emergency Contacts
3. Fan Out List

### TRANSPORTATION PLAN

See Appendix 'E' Transportation Plan if required to evacuate the facility and follow the

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### **FOOD FLUID AND MEDICATION PROVISION**

Will be provided as detailed in EMP01-011

### **STAFFING**

If there is adequate advance notice of the anticipated event given (at least 24 hours) staff should make arrangements to ensure they are able to report for their scheduled shift. Dearness Home may also call in extra staff or alter shift times as required to prepare for the possible extreme weather event

If an extreme weather event is impacting travel to and from the LTCH location and the greater community around Dearness Home, arrangements (as applicable) will be made to:

1. Accommodate staff at Dearness to stay beyond their scheduled shift with meal and rest areas if they are unable to leave the facility in a safe manner.
2. In the case of overnight accommodation Dearness may utilize ADP space, offices or other common locations. Dearness shall ensure mattresses and associated bedding (at a minimum) are available.
3. Make arrangements for accommodations in the immediate vicinity of the LTCH with meal and rest areas if able to do so

### **EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANS**

Code Grey Emergency Response Plans in the Emergency Management Plan (EMP) that detail staff response to extreme weather and/or natural disasters include:

1. Wind Warning
2. Tornado Warning
3. Flood Warning
4. Winter Storm Warning

Code Grey Emergency Response Plans in the EMP detailing staff response to emergency situations effecting a LTCH that extreme weather may cause include:

1. Loss of Heat
2. Loss of Cooling
3. Loss of Water/Boil Water Advisory
4. Loss of Electricity
5. CO (Carbon Monoxide)/Gas Leak

Additional emergency responses within the EMP that may be activated by an extreme weather event include:

1. Code Green - Evacuation
2. Code Orange – Community Disaster
3. Code Blue – Medical Emergency
4. External Air Exclusion