



# **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AT HOME AND WORK**

**Memorial University of Newfoundland  
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**Emergency Preparedness Week 2012**

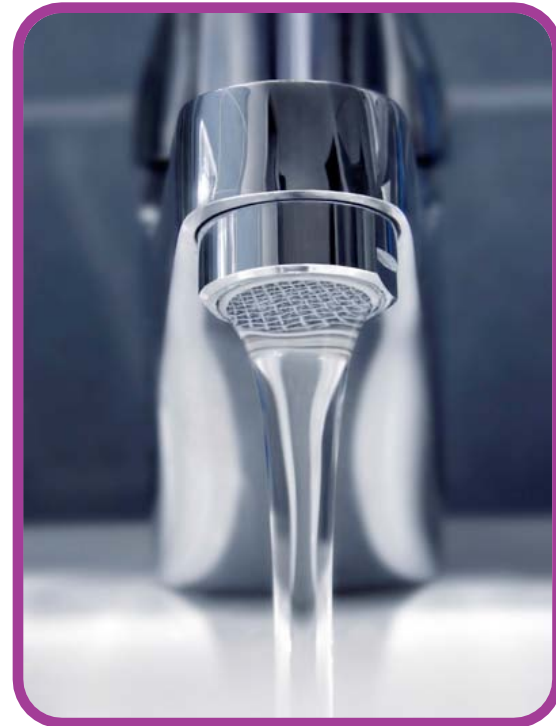
# INTRODUCTION

- National Emergency Preparedness Week  
May 6-12 , 2012
- Know the risks at home and work
- What your personal plan should include
- Memorial's Campus Emergency Management  
Plans
- Prepare an emergency kit



# HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT HOW TO PREPARE FOR AN EMERGENCY?

- How would you?
  - Look after your family for 72 hours?
  - Cope without power or tap water?
  - Contact your family and receive information?
  - Respond to potential hazards at your worksite?



# COMMON MISCONCEPTIONS

- Most emergencies are short lived
- I won't ever have to deal with an emergency where I live
- There are a lot of emergencies I just can't prepare for
- Preparing takes too much time



## FAST FACT

Although the majority of Canadians believe that having an emergency plan and emergency kit are important, *only a small minority* have actually created them





Know the risks

## STEP 1

# KNOWING THE RISK AT HOME

- Public Safety Canada - Newfoundland and Labrador
  - Earthquake
  - Flood
  - Forest Fire
  - Hazardous Material Spill
  - Hurricane
  - Infectious Disease Outbreak
  - Landslide
  - Power Outage
  - Severe Storm
  - Storm Surge
  - Tornado
  - Tsunami





Know the risks

## STEP 1

# KNOWING THE RISK AT MEMORIAL

### ○ Top threats at the St. John's Campus

1. Behavioral Threat to Safety
2. Hazardous Materials
3. Communicable Disease (non-pandemic) (e.g. Norwalk virus)
4. Severe Weather (e.g. blizzards, rain/wind storms)
5. Explosions/Fire
6. Information Management/Information Technology Equipment Systems
7. Pandemic (as declared by the World Health Organization)
8. Labour Disruption
9. Computer Security
10. Major Power Outage





Make a plan

## STEP 2

# MAKE A PLAN AT HOME

You aren't prepared — until you make a plan.

### Emergency Preparedness Guide

- Emergency Exits
- Escape routes from neighborhood
- Family meeting areas
- Ensure help for people with disabilities







Make a plan

## STEP 2

# MAKE A PLAN AT HOME

For families with children

- School's emergency policies
- Updated contact information
- Designate contact persons and make sure your children know how to get in touch with them





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# MAKE A PLAN AT HOME

### Special Health Needs

- Health information card
- Grab-and-go bag with medication, prescriptions, medical documents
- Ensure walkers, oxygen tanks and other emergency supplies
- Personal support network





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# MAKE A PLAN AT HOME

### Other Helpful Hints

- Pet Considerations
- Out-of-town contact person
- New to Canada
- Photocopy your plan
- Practice/Review your plan!





Make a plan

## STEP 2

# PLANNING AT MEMORIAL

- Emergency Preparedness Responsibilities for:
  - All members of the campus community
  - President, Vice-Presidents, Deans, Directors, Heads, Managers and Supervisors
  - Faculty and Instructional Personnel
- Education and Awareness Campaign
- Training Opportunities





Get a kit

# STEP 3 GET A KIT





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# GET A KIT

To prepare for an emergency that could last 72 hours or more, what would you put in a kit?



# THREE STEPS TO GETTING PREPARED

- Know the risks
- Make a plan
- Get a kit



# PREPARE NOW!

- Memorial University – Office of Emergency Management
  - [mun.ca/emergency](http://mun.ca/emergency)
- Public Safety Canada
  - [getprepared.ca](http://getprepared.ca)
- Fire and Emergency Services-NL
  - [gov.nl.ca/fes](http://gov.nl.ca/fes)
- Environment Canada Weather office
  - [weatheroffice.gc.ca](http://weatheroffice.gc.ca)
- Canadian Red Cross
  - [redcross.ca](http://redcross.ca)
- St. John Ambulance
  - [sja.ca](http://sja.ca)
- The Salvation Army
  - [salvationarmy.ca](http://salvationarmy.ca)

