

## Emergency Planning Policy

1. It is the policy of OPTIONS to protect our residents, staff, and others who may be visiting our facilities, from harm during emergency events. To accomplish this, we have developed procedures for specific hazards, which build on the cross-cutting strategies in our *Continuity of Operations Plan*. We have taken steps to mitigate the risk of localized flooding by regularly and aggressively maintaining all drainage systems, around our facilities, as well as the integrity of pipes and plumbing. We have taken proactive measures to minimize potential damage to critical systems, such as backup power and supply storage through placement in areas least likely to flood. Should we be faced with a significant flood threat from external conditions we will protect our residents, staff and visitors through the following actions:

**INITIAL RESPONSE:** See Procedures: Severe Weather/Flood.

2. Depending on the flood situation, which will be monitored through coordination with local response authorities, the Incident Commander may initiate the Evacuation or Shelter in Place P&Ps.

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