

# Continuing Care Emergency Response Code Training

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## **Severe Weather Exercise Catalogue**

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## Severe Weather Exercise – Severe Thunderstorm Warning

### Purpose

To ensure your Continuing Care site has the ability to respond to Severe Weather.

### Scope

Site dependent – can include one or more departments/units within a site.

This exercise may be an orientation, drill, table top, functional or full scale but is limited to one facility.

### Objectives

- To familiarize participants with their role and the role of their colleagues responding to a Severe Weather event; identify key actions to be taken and by whom.
- To evaluate the functionality of the plan; assess limitations of the plan
- To assess resource requirements (human and physical) for responding to a Severe Weather event.
- To determine potential obstacles that could / would limit the effectiveness and efficiency of the response.
- To identify issues related to safety and security of staff and clients when responding to a Severe Weather event.
- To examine the relationship between the service area, the site, and any external partners (i.e. Police, Fire Department)

### Narrative

It is mid-June and the time is 1400hrs. The weather is unseasonably warm at 29°C. Skies are clear overhead but large clouds can be seen building up in the west. Environment Canada had issued a Severe Thunderstorm Watch for much of Alberta at 1300hrs.

At 1520hrs the first low rumble of thunder is heard and to the south-west dark grey, almost black clouds can be seen. Five minutes later the weather radio alarms and announces a Severe Thunderstorm Warning has been issued for your area. Hail is also expected as part of the storm.

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## Severe Weather Exercise – Tornado Watch

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### Narrative

Large clouds can be seen building up in the west. Environment Canada issued a Severe Thunderstorm Warning for your area at 1400hrs. Low rumbles of thunder can be heard.

At 1420hrs the south-west skies are turning dark grey; almost black clouds can be seen. Five minutes later the weather radio alarms and announces a Tornado Watch has been issued for your area.

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## Severe Weather Exercise – Tornado Warning

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### Narrative

Large grey / green clouds have been seen building up in the west. Environment Canada issued a Severe Thunderstorm Warning for your area at 1400hrs. Lightening can be seen; rumbles of thunder can be heard.

At 1410hrs a staff member runs back inside and states they saw a funnel cloud in the south-west skies. At the same time the weather radio alarms and announces a Tornado Warning has been issued for your area.

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## Severe Weather Exercise – Severe Wind Warning

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### Narrative

Environment Canada issues a Severe Wind Warning for the next 12 hours.

A bank of clouds can be seen in the south, as the front moves north; the winds begin to churn up the dust on the horizon.