

SAFETY SEGMENTS MAY

EMERGENCY RESPONSE POLICY/PLAN



WHAT WE'RE LEARNING

Having an emergency response policy or plan is essential for ensuring the safety and well-being of everyone. It provides a clear framework for action during emergencies, outlining specific roles, responsibilities, and procedures. This preparedness helps to minimize confusion and panic, enabling a swift and coordinated response that can save lives and reduce harm. Additionally, a well-developed plan allows for regular training and drills, ensuring that staff are ready to handle various emergency scenarios effectively.

GUIDING QUESTIONS

- What training or resources would help front-line staff feel more prepared to handle emergencies effectively?
- How can front-line staff contribute to the ongoing improvement and updating of the emergency response plan?
- Who else could help look at the Emergency response plan?

Notes to the Team Leader:

Facilitate an atmosphere of support and openness to feedback by encouraging the staff to share experiences or opinions without fear of reprisal.

DIRECTIONS

Start the discussion by setting the expectations for creating a safe space and respecting everyone's feedback. Use the following [Emergency Preparedness Video](#). Following the video use the guiding questions, to facilitate a group discussion. You can also review your emergency response plan/policy as well. We also have a generalized template of one [here](#).