# Early Years Emergency Planning

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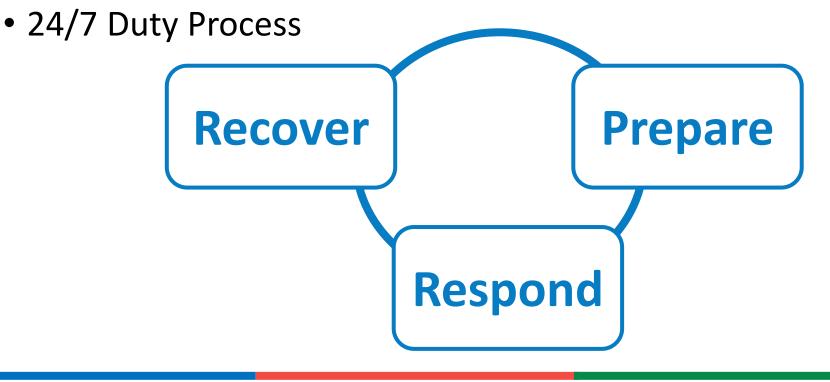




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## The CSW Resilience Team

- Established in 2011
- Deliver the Emergency Planning function for 7 local authorities



# What is an Emergency?



## Definition

An **Emergency** is an event or situation which threatens serious damage to:

- Human welfare in a place in the United Kingdom
- The environment of a place in the United Kingdom
- The security of the United Kingdom or of a place in the United Kingdom

#### Civil Contingencies Act, 2004

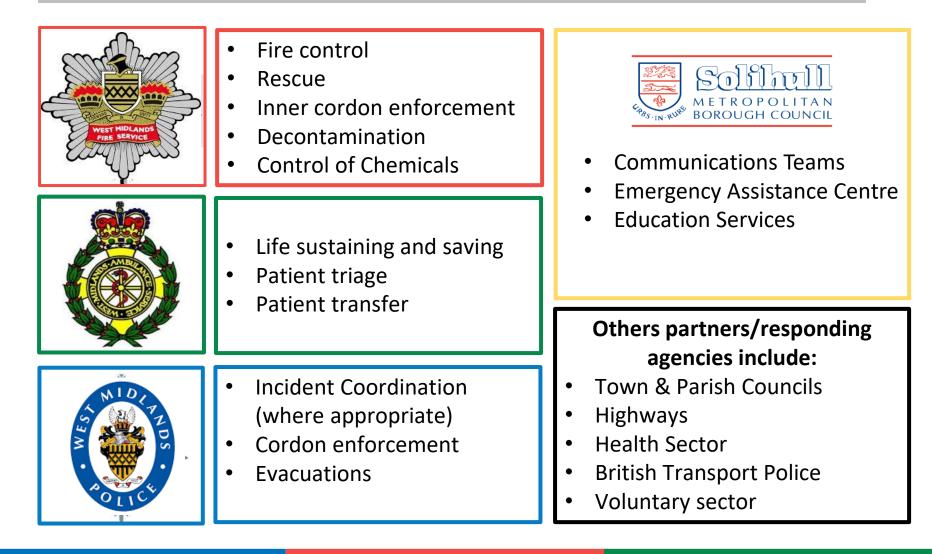


### **Critical Incident**

"A critical incident may be defined as any sudden and unexpected incident or sequence of events which causes trauma within a early years setting and which overwhelms the normal coping mechanisms of that establishment."



## The Responders – What they do



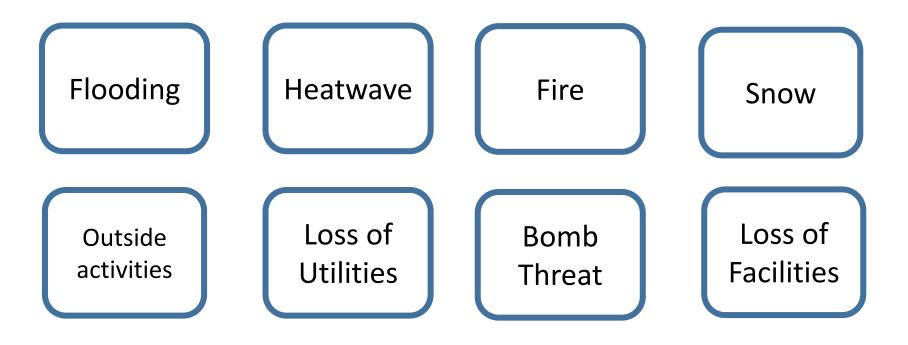


# Incidents in Early Years Settings





What risk are early years establishments susceptible to?





#### What can you do to prepare?

- Discuss safety and risks with children
- Practicing evacuating and invacuating
- Review your existing emergency procedures and add to them if necessary
- Share information with parents to advise them of the actions you will take in the event of an emergency and how you will contact them
- Make sure all staff are aware of their role during 'lockdown'



### Planning

#### A good plan should cover:

- roles and responsibilities
- when and how to get advice if you need it
- details on the types of steps you might take in the event of an emergency and the actions you'd take to enact them quickly
- a list of key contacts
- how you would ensure every child, pupil or student receives the quantity and quality of education and care they're normally entitled to
- how you would communicate any changes to children, parents, carers and staff



### CSW Support

- Local advice to compliment resources from Central Government resources
- Designated emergency planning lead to answer any queries.

Emergency planning and response for education, childcare, and children's social care settings - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)



### **CSW Documents**

- Who to Notify Poster
- Incident Log Template

#### <u>Schools Support | CSW Resilience Team</u> (cswprepared.org.uk)



### Training & Exercising

- Training staff on content is important
- Exercising allows the arrangements in the plan to be tested in a safe environment
  - Use scenarios to run through procedures activated in an emergency.



# Thank you for your time. Any Questions?

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