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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON HOW TO PREPARE TO EVACUATE YOUR HOME**

**It is very important to develop your Personal Evacuation Plan BEFORE an emergency evacuation order is issued for your area. Follow these steps to assure a safe evacuation:**

- Listen to the radio or television for information and announcements about official evacuation orders being issued for your area.
- If ordered to evacuate, do not wait or delay your departure. Even a slight delay could place you at risk for injury.
- Have a place to stay arranged ahead of time such as family, friends, or motel.
- As a last resort evacuate to a shelter – listen to media messages for community shelters
- If you must evacuate and there is time, secure your home.

### **CRITICAL ITEMS TO TAKE WITH YOU WHEN EVACUATING:**

- Ample amounts of baby food, formula, juice, diapers and wipes, and a stroller, portable crib or play pen and other needs
- Infant/Child Car Seat if you do not have your vehicle
- Special dietary food, snacks or comfort food
- Eye glasses and dentures
- A 5-day supply of medications
- Specialty adult items and feminine supplies
- Oxygen supplies (if needed) or arrange with your oxygen company to deliver to the shelter
- Wheelchair or walker, if needed
- Changes of clothes for each family member
- Flashlight with batteries
- Personal identification including address verification and important papers/documents
- Medical and Immunization Records
- List of Food, Medication and Environmental Allergies

***Special arrangements can be made if you:***

- **Have a chronic condition that requires assistance, but not hospitalization**
- **Are oxygen or ventilator dependent**
- **Require special daily medical care**
- **Third Trimester Pregnancy**
- **Require Isolation due to Tuberculosis or another disease**
- **Utilize service animals**
- **Have special communication needs**

**For Assistance Contact 211 (1-800-244-7431)**

***If you have to leave your home  
FOLLOW THESE SAFETY AND UTILITY TIPS***

- **Do not touch** electrical equipment if you are wet or standing in water.
- If you think the water might rise high enough to cover electrical outlets, switch off the circuit breakers at the main electrical box. **Be sure water is not covering outlets before entering the basement.**
- If it appears the water level may reach the main electrical box or your electric or gas meters, **call MidAmerican immediately at 888-427-5632** so that services can be shut off completely.
- **Do not walk through moving water.** Six inches of moving water can make you fall. If you have to walk in water, walk where the water is not moving. Use a stick to check the firmness of the ground in front of you.
- **Do not drive into flooded areas.** You and the vehicle can be quickly swept away.
- **Do** disconnect propane tanks from grills and secure them in a safe, dry place.

**What about my pet?** Make arrangements to shelter your pet through the Animal Rescue League. Call 211 (1-800-244-7431) for assistance.

