

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

POLICY STATEMENT

Bay of Plenty District Health Board (BOPDHB) will ensure that emergencies are managed in an appropriate and safe way. Preparation will be evidenced by documented and tested plans.

PURPOSE

To ensure that BOPDHB:

- Has assessed the regional risks identified by Civil Defence and developed plans to reduce / mitigate the risk and minimise the impact of a major incident on staff, patients, community stakeholders and customers.
- Has developed a series of co-ordinated emergency plans and that these plans are reviewed every three (3) years.
- Has sufficient staff trained in Co-ordinated Incident Management Systems level 4 (CIMS4) who are authorised to be released to staff the DHB emergency response.
- Is prepared to respond at any time to a major incident.
- Has processes in place to recover quickly from a major incident.
- Has emergency plans that are integrated with other healthcare providers and Civil Defence plans.

EXCLUSIONS

There are no exclusions.

REFERENCES

- [Ministry of Health. National Health Emergency Plan. 2015](#)
- [Health and Safety at Work Act 2015](#)
- New Zealand Council on Healthcare Standards
- The NZ Co-ordinated Incident Management System (CIMS)
- Emergency Evacuation Planning and Staff Training in NZ Hospitals and Community Care Buildings (Department of Health, 1991)
- [Guide to the National Civil Defence Emergency Management Plan. Revised 2015](#)
- [ACC4679 Guidelines to Understanding the Audit Standards for Safety Management Practices AS/NZ 4801:2001 Section 4.4 May 2014](#)
- Building Act 1991
- Fire Safety and Evacuation of Building Regulations 1992

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ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 5.2.1 protocol 1 Emergency Management Procedures
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 5.2.2. Fire Safety
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Health Emergency Plan 2015 - 2018
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board CBAC Plan
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Pandemic / Infectious Disease Outbreak Response Plan, September 2013
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Tauranga Hospital Major Incident Emergency Plan (MIEP), December 2015
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Whakatane Hospital Major Incident Emergency Plan, August 2014

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