

NC Department of Health and Human Services

# NC Home Care Aide Curriculum

## Module 12 – Emergency Preparedness

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# OBJECTIVES

- 1. Identify the role of the home care aide in planning for a disaster**
- 2. Identify the role of the home care aide in planning for inclement weather**
- 3. Identify the role of the home care aide in responding to an emergency in the home**
- 4. Discuss the role of the home care aide in fire safety in the home environment**

# MODULE 12-A

## Planning for a Disaster



# Disaster Preparedness Plan

- **Know the role of the home care aide in disaster preparedness**
- **Be aware of potential dangers**
- **Know how to react**
- **Know your agency's disaster preparedness plan**
- **If you are unsure or unprepared, ask your supervisor**



# Man-made Disasters

- **Bomb threat**
- **Bombs**
- **Chemical threats**
- **Biological threats**



# Local Resources



# ACTIVITY #1

## Emergency Responders



# MODULE 12-B

## Planning for Inclement Weather



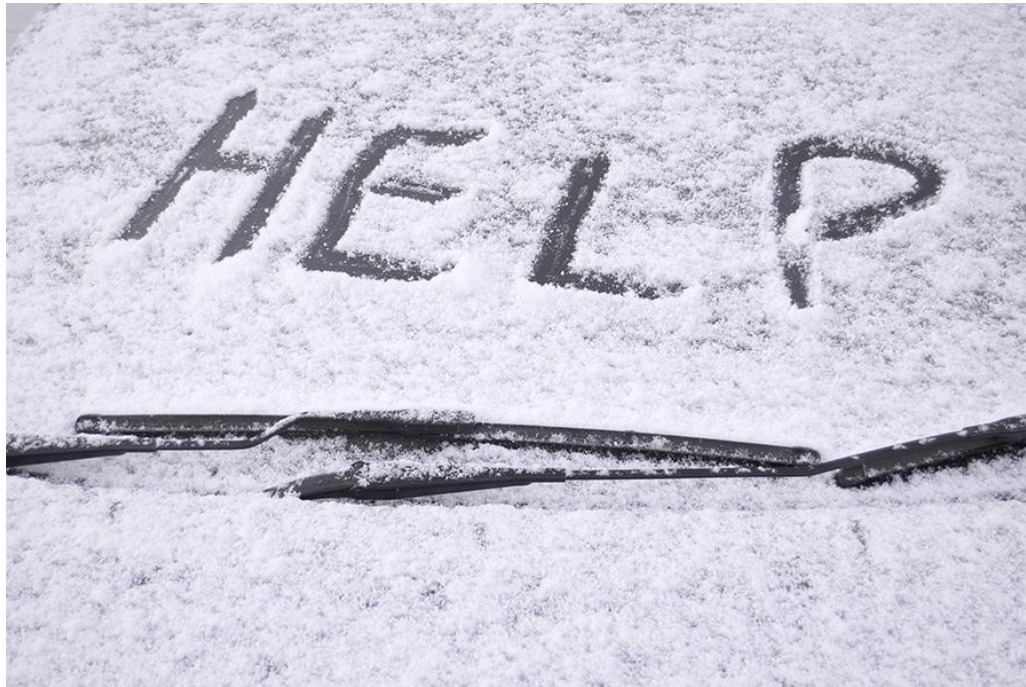
# Inclement Weather

- **Hurricanes**
- **Tornadoes**
- **Thunder/lightning storms**
- **Floods**
- **Winter weather**



# Handout #1

## Prepare Your Car For Winter



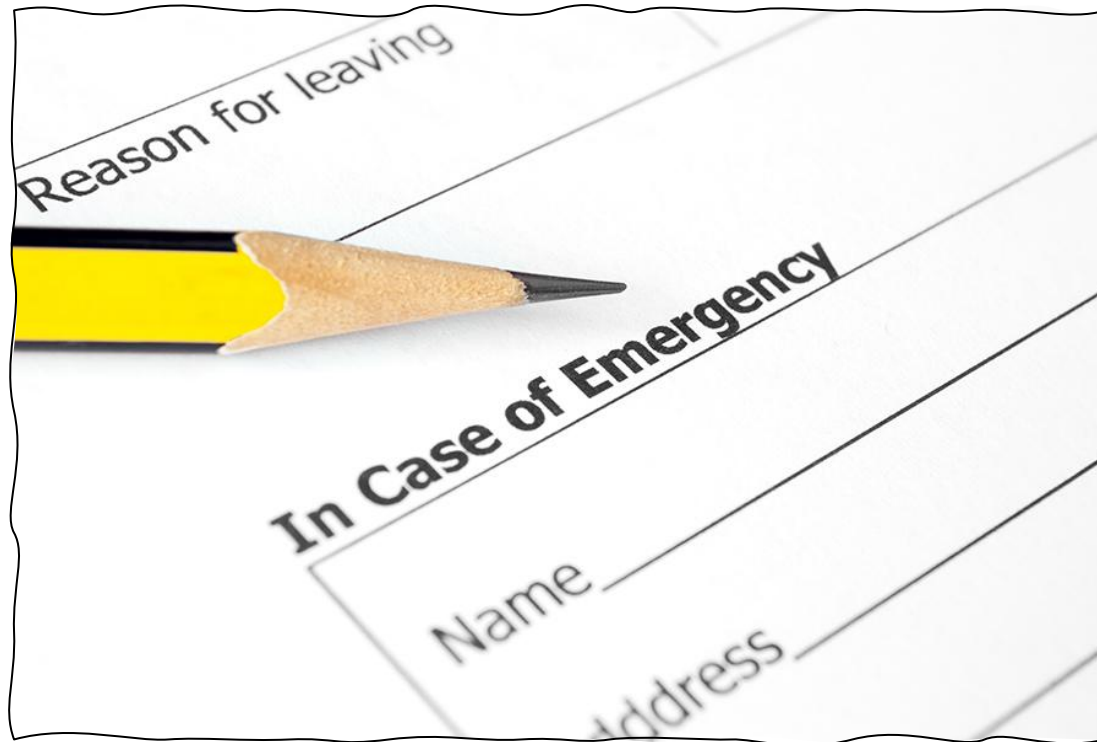
# EMERGENCY PLAN

- **Plan of action for inclement weather**
- **Emergency contacts**
- **Medical information**



# Handout #2

## Emergency Information Sheets



# MODULE 12-C

## RESPONDING TO AN EMERGENCY IN THE HOME



# Emergency Plan in Action

- **If you are with a patient when a natural or man-made disaster occurs, it is important to remain calm**
- **Put your agency's emergency plan into action**
- **Do not leave your patient until it is safe to do so**



# EVACUATION

If you and your patient must evacuate...



# MODULE 12-D

## FIRE SAFETY



# FIRE SAFETY PLAN

***Decreased mobility, health, sight, and hearing may limit a person's ability to take the quick action necessary to escape during a fire emergency.***



# PATIENT FIRE HAZARDS

It is ok to remind the patient of possible hazards that the home care aide may see but **ALWAYS** report concerns to your supervisor!



# ACTIVITY #2

# SCENARIOS



# BE PREPARED AND HAVE A PLAN



**Whether faced with a natural disaster, a man-made disaster, or a fire hazard, being prepared and having a plan can save lives. Encourage your patients to have these life saving plans in place, and try to incorporate this same level of preparedness into your own life!**