Emergency Food and Water Supplies and Service



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Instructions

Slides for the Inservice:

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- Then click the down arrow button or the page down button on your keyboard.

Presenter's Notes for the Inservice:

- Review the presenter's notes prior to presenting the slides.
- The presenter's notes offer additional information not included on the slides, suggestions for how to present some of the information, and activities you may want to incorporate.

Handouts for the Inservice:

- Simply copy the handouts and the pre- post-tests for participants.
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Slides

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Presenter's Notes



Presenter Note: There is a separate inservice on Dining Services Disaster Preparedness.

Audience: Food and nutrition service/dining staff

Welcome to our inservice on Emergency Food and Water Supplies and Service.

Presenter Note (Optional): Before we get started, let's test your knowledge with a short pre-test.

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After everyone is safe and we know we are staying in the facility during the emergency situation, we need to determine how to use the perishable food items in the coolers and freezers within the first 1-2 days. We will need to use foods in order of keeping qualities:

- Food in refrigerators: If ice has been placed in the refrigerators to keep them cold, and doors remain closed as much as possible, the food should probably good for up to 12 hours without electricity. This may depend on the temperature in the kitchen as well. So it is imperative that you always check internal temperatures before using to assure safety.
- 2. Food in freezers: If ice has been placed in the refrigerators to keep them cold, and doors remain closed as much as possible, the food may be safe for up to a few days without electricity. This may depend on the temperature in the kitchen as well. So it is imperative that you always check for safety first. If the food has ice crystals and is at 41 degrees or lower, it should be safe to use.
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Emergency Menus



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The person in charge will try to maintain well-balanced meals as close to normal as possible.

If necessary, we will repeat the cycle of menus for extended emergencies.

Presenter Note: Review where the emergency menus are located and briefly discuss them.

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Note: For pureed food, you can use juice from canned fruits, and broth or gravy (canned) for meats and vegetables.

Diets for Diabetes



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- Use half portion desserts as appropriate if no sugar free desserts are on hand
- The person in charge will let nursing know about diet changes so that they can determine how blood sugars will be monitored (and adjust medications as needed)

For people with diabetes:

- Maintain careful portion control for patients with diabetes and individualize diets as necessary. Provide sweetener as needed
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No Gas Supply



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If there is no electricity available:

- Generator or auxiliary power should take over fairly quickly. Presenter
 Note: Explain the backup generator equipment and the location of generator outlets for use by the dining staff.
- Do not open refrigerator or freezer doors unless necessary until the power returns.
- Place blankets or bath towels along the seals of refrigerator and freezer doors to keep the cold air in.

A combination of these situations may exist. Be ready to combine these instructions as needed.

No Electricity



- Enteral feeding pumps will have a limited battery back up
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- Careful monitoring by all professional staff is necessary to avoid negative outcomes

Presenter Notes (You may wish to share this information as appropriate with nursing staff):

- Enteral feeding pumps will have a limited battery back up. Contact the pump manufacturer so you know how long the pumps will function on battery back-up mode.
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No Water Supply or Water Contamination



- · Use emergency water supply
- Bottled or distilled water for emergency purposes is labeled "for emergency use only"
- Save this for cooking and drinking only
- Water should not be rationed during an emergency situation - Every person must have adequate fluids

Presenter Note: Add explanations as needed.

If there is no water supply or if the water is contaminated:

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Additional notes:

- In an emergency, hot water tanks contain some emergency water for all purpose use. This water is not purified and should be used as all-purpose water, not drinking water.
- The Nursing Department may want to designate a specific amount of distilled or sterile water for nursing procedures such as flushes, sterile dressing uses, or any other nursing procedures. This water must be clearly marked to use only for that purpose.

General Guide for Water



Drinking Water:

- 1/2 gallon/person/day is essential
- 1 gallon/person/day in hot climates
- · Extra for internal staff, evacuees

All Purpose Water:

 1 gallon/person/day (up to 2 gallons for hot climates)

An adequate supply of water is needed for drinking, food preparation, cleaning, and sanitizing.

A minimum 3-7 day supply of water available. (**Presenter Note:** Recognizing that suppliers may be unable to deliver immediately, a 7 day supply is recommended.) Here are some general guidelines for water needs and conserving available water.

Read the slide. (**Presenter Note**: Also check your state regulations to see if there are specific guidelines.)

Drinking water: 0.5 gallon/person/day

Ex. 100 people X 7 days: Number of people X 1 gallon X 7 days = 350

gallons of drinking water needed

All-purpose water: 1 gallon/person/day

Ex. 100 people X 7 days: Number of people X 1 gallon X 7 days = 700

gallons of all purpose water needed

Other sources of fluids include: Fruit juices, canned soups, canned broth, ice cream, sherbet, fruit ice, carbonated beverages, etc.

Emergency Sources of All Purpose Water



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 - In extreme conditions rainwater, streams, rivers, ponds, lakes, natural springs. This water must be strained and may need to be treated even for use as all purpose water

Water Purification: Boiling



- Boiling is one of the most common ways to purify water
- Water should be poured into an appropriate container and brought to a rolling boil
- Boil the water vigorously for 1 minute
- · Cool as appropriate before use

Even if utilities remain in effect, the water supply may be contaminated. In that case, we will need to purify the water before using it. **Note:** Strain water through cheesecloth or coffee filter if needed to remove any debris.

There are three (3) basic ways to purify water: Boiling, purification tablets and bleach purification.

Boiling is one of the most common ways to purify water:

- 1. Water should be poured into an appropriate container and brought to a rolling boil.
- 2. Boil the water vigorously for 1 minute.
- 3. Cool as appropriate before use.

To improve the taste of the water, the water can be poured from one container to another several times.

It is important to remember that a loss of utilities may result in not having a heat source available to boil the water.

Water Purification: Purification Tablets



- Location of tablets
- Follow the manufacturer's directions that come with the tablets

To use purification tablets to purify water:

Presenter Note: Discuss the location of the purification tablets, and how to follow the manufacturer's directions that come with the tablets. Add detailed explanations as needed. A demonstration is ideal.

Presenter Note: Order these tablets in advance to ensure you have them on hand when needed. Purification tablets are available from a number of different supplier sources or can be purchased locally at drug stores or camping supply stores.

Water Purification: Bleach Purification



- Use 5.25% hypochlorite liquid household bleach (with no scent or additives)
- Add the bleach according to the table on the following slide, and then mix well
- · Let stand for 30 minutes
- If water does not taste and smell of chlorine, add another dose of bleach and let stand 15 minutes
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To purify water using bleach:

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Review the slide. Follow instructions carefully. Only add the amount of bleach needed (with the exception of this: If water does not taste and smell of chlorine, add another dose of bleach and let stand 15 minutes).

Equipment Items and Locations



- Manual can openers, egg beaters
- Battery operated equipment (whisks, heating elements)
- Flashlights, battery operated radio
- · Standard first aid kits, alcohol swabs
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- Hand sanitizer
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Explain where the items listed on the slide are stored and how they can be used in an emergency situation.

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Take extra precautions for sanitation during an emergency situation.

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Handwashing may be challenging if water is not available or is contaminated.

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Presenter Note: Add explanation about where your hand sanitizer is stored and any specific information on its use.

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Presenter Note: If needed, tablets for sanitizing can be found in hardware stores, drug stores and outdoor hiking/camping supply stores. These should be ordered in advance and stored as appropriate.

Presenter Notes:

Questions and Answers.

Optional: Post-test.



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Internal Food Temperatures



- · Always start with safe food
- Use thermometers to check internal food temperatures to assure food safety prior to use
- Heat foods to a *minimum* internal temp of 165F for a minimum of 15 seconds
- Be sure to observe safe internal cooking temperatures

Handwashing



- In the event that the water supply is contaminated, boil water before using
- Set up a hand-washing station where boiled water (cooled) is in a container
 - One person will pour water over the hands of another person allowing them to soap their hands and then pour the water over the clean hands to rinse
 - Do not wash and rinse hands in the bucket

Hand-Sanitizing



- Second option: Use an instant hand sanitizer that does not require rinsing
- These products report high levels of success in killing most common disease causing germs
- They also provide a fast and easy way to sanitize your hands
- However, they do not take the place of appropriate hand washing

Sanitizing Dishes



- **1. Wash**: Scrape dishes first, then wash in a solution of dish soap and hot water
- 2. Rinse: Rinse dishes in a basin filled with clean hot water
- **3. Sanitize**: Place dishes in a third basin which contains a sanitizing solution

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1. In an emergency, you should first use up the non-perishable food items.

True False

2. Mechanically-altered diets should be liberalized during an emergency.

True False

3. Your facility should have enough drinking water on hand for a minimum of $\frac{1}{2}$ gallon per person (including staff and guests).

True False

4. Water can be purified by one of three methods: boiling, bleach purification or the use of purification tablets.

True False

- 5. A manual can opener should be part of your emergency equipment.
- 6. After an emergency, food from the refrigerator should be tasted to assure that it has not spoiled.
- 7. Foods must be cooked to an internal temperature of a minimum of 135 degrees F in order to achieve food safety.

True False

8. Hand sanitizing takes the place of hand washing during an emergency.

True False

9. Dishes should be sanitized using the following sequence: Rinse, Wash, Sanitize.

True False

10. For more information on how to prepare for a disaster, contact your local Red Cross.

True False

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- 1. False
- 2. False
- 3. True
- 4. True
- 5. True
- 6. False
- 7. False
- 8. False
- 9. Ture
- 10. True