Flood Safety Tips

Each year, more deaths occur due to flooding than any other hazard related to thunderstorms. Fortunately, you can take steps to protect yourself, your family, and your home.

During a Flood Watch or Warning

- Gather emergency supplies
- Listen to your local radio or television station for updates
- Have immunization records handy (or know the year of your last tetanus shot)
- Store immunization records in a waterproof container

- Fill bathtubs, sinks, gallon jars, and plastic soda bottles so you have a supply of clean water
- Sanitize sinks/tubs first by cleaning them using bleach, then rinse and fill with clean water
- If evacuation appears necessary turn off all utilities at the main power switch and close the main gas valve
- Leave areas subject to flooding such as low spots, canyons, washes, etc.

After Flooding Has Occurred

- Do not drink flood water or use it to wash dishes, brush teeth, or wash/prepare food
- If you evacuated, return to your home only after local authorities announce it is safe to do so
- Listen to water advisory from local authorities to find out if your water is safe for drinking and bathing

This Employee Benefits Bulletin is brought to you by your Human Resources Department and is for informational purposes only. It is not intended as a substitute for medical advice or treatment. Always seek the advice of your doctor or other medical professional if you have questions about any medical condition, diagnosis or treatment. Health and wellness information provided at healthfinder.gov and cdc.gov.