

#1

It has been raining heavily for two days in the town of Waldron. Six inches of rain have caused small stream flooding, with moderate damage to local roads, parks, and structures in low-lying areas. The Blue River is running three feet above normal and is rising. The forecast calls for continued showers and thunderstorms for the next three days. If such heavy rainfall occurs, severe flooding should be expected for the Waldron downtown business district and homes along the Blue River. Small stream flooding will affect the nearby downstream towns of Shelbyville and Boggstown. There has been a request for mental health assistance at the sand bagging location.

#2

Monday, June 1-4:00 p.m.

The Soo Line/Canadian Pacific Railway is crossing Oak Street in downtown Greenfield. The freight train is traveling in a southwest direction and is slowing its rate of speed as it nears the rail switch near the downtown area. This city has a large usage of rail traffic with both freight and passenger trains entering the city daily. The weather is beautiful today; temperatures are near 58 degrees with light winds (5mph) from the west. The train engineer had a warning displayed on the engine control panel that the train has lost an air supply; this causes the train to proceed to an emergency stop. The conductor exits the train and quickly identifies a derailment of numerous cars. There is a strong odor that resembles ammonia. He calls for assistance. The first responding unit reports a large white cloud over the area.

The daycare center on Superior Street has called the police department inquiring about the emergency. They are reporting a strong odor at their location. Many of the children are coughing and have complaints of eye irritation. The children are being moved to the High School 8 miles away and across the street from the hospital. Medical staff will meet the children and parents there & triage. They have asked for a mental health team to assist.

#3

Friday January 10-11:30 p.m.

The city of Franklin and a large part of the surrounding county are 5 hours into a major ice storm. Ice is continuing to build on the roads and utility lines. The ice is making driving very hazardous and has caused several roads to become impassable. Ice accumulations have stopped transit service in the city. Police, fire and EMS are having trouble responding to calls due to icy roads. Interstate 65 is a 4-lane highway, which runs north and south just east of Franklin. There has been a major accident on Hwy 65 involving approximately 45 cars. Early reports have numerous injuries. The city hospital is approximately 2 miles away. You are told to expect approximately 100 patients from the scene. Mental health workers have been requested for the ER waiting room.

#4

On a typical Saturday morning in May, an airplane radios the tower at the Mount Comfort Regional Airport with an onboard emergency and requests permission to land. Once on the ground, the airplane taxis to the south ramp where an explosion on the plane releases VX gas among the passengers and nearby crash rescue crews. Mental Health workers have been requested at the EMA office to deal with the first responders' families.

#5

April 1-1:30 p.m.

The area was hit by a tornado 2 days ago. Since that time a large storm system has moved through this portion of the state and it has rained off and on for 2 days. People have not been able to leave the shelter long enough to assess the damage to their homes. Tempers are short. The shelter staff is overwhelmed. The EMA Director suggests mental health responders relieve some of the shelter workers, but the shelter workers don't want any strangers in their facility. Phone service is intermittent. Gusting winds, heavy rain and hail are forecasted for later this afternoon. The EMA Director threatens to shut down the shelter if there is no cooperation. Mental health workers have been deployed. Where should they go first?