Community Emergency Response Team



Post-Disaster Management of Unaccompanied Minors and Persons with D/AFN

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The CERT motto is “Do the Greatest Good for the Greatest Number”. With that in mind, the needs of unaccompanied minors and persons with disabilities or access and functional needs must be given very high priority.

- A minor is any person under the age of 18 who is not emancipated. Emancipated minors should be treated as adults.
- Assess persons with D/AFN to determine their mental and physical ability to care for themselves. If they cannot care for themselves, treat as an unaccompanied minor.
- Never leave an unaccompanied minor alone and never transport any minor without another adult present.

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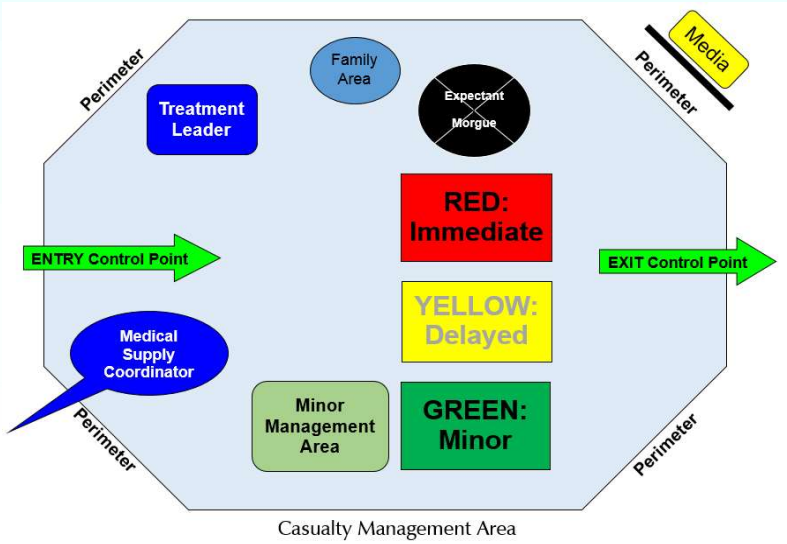
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- *Local Law Enforcement should be requested to take charge of unaccompanied minors as soon as it is practical. If the minor is injured, they should be turned over to qualified medical personnel (EMS) for treatment.*
- Tonight we do not have time to cover all of the points but the handout covers most considerations.
- If no Minor Management Team is established, an ad-hoc team can be formed by a team of adult male and female CERT members.

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