

Executive Summary

School of Medicine Emergency Preparedness Plan

The Mercer University School of Medicine (MUSM) Emergency Preparedness Plan (EPP) provides MUSM faculty, staff, students, and guests with guidelines for responding to emergencies and events that disrupt normal operations. The MUSM plan advocates preparedness, response, and recovery.

The primary objectives are as follows:

- Protect and provide safety for MUSM students, faculty, staff, and guests
- Protect and secure MUSM infrastructure and facilities
- Facilitate the resumption of normal MUSM activities

The MUSM plan applies to a broad range of incidents, which are classified according to level of severity and potential impact.

Three levels of emergency events are addressed as follows:

- **Level 1:** A minor, localized department or building incident that is quickly resolved with existing University resources or limited outside help.
- **Level 2:** A major emergency that disrupts sizable portions of the School of Medicine community and may require assistance from external organizations.
- **Level 3:** A major emergency and disaster involving the entire campus and surrounding community. The effects of the emergency are wide-ranging and complex. Normal University operations could be suspended.

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