



## What to do?: 4-H Event Crisis Management

Take one copy of this sheet with you when you attend any University of Arizona Cooperative Extension or Extension involved activity.

## **ON-SITE IN A CRISIS OR POTENTIAL CRISIS**

- 1. Call appropriate emergency personnel: **911** (Emergency) or the appropriate agencies on 4-H Event Risk Management Plan Contacts.
- 2. See to any injured persons using appropriate first aid.
- 3. Get other participants to a **safe location** to avoid further injuries, and to provide enough room to work on the injured person.
- 4. Call your county **Extension Office** or 4-H staff person immediately. Be prepared to tell **extension personnel** as much information as possible, even information that has yet to be confirmed.
  - a. This includes:
    - i. Number and extent of injuries.
    - ii. Names of injured.
    - iii. Location of responding hospital or emergency care center.
    - iv. Description and location of the incident.
    - v. Total number of people involved (number of youth, number of adults.)
- 5. Because county office phones may quickly become clogged with calls for information, request an **alternate phone** (office next door, etc.).
- 6. Tell any news media that call or show up:
  - Do not comment or disclose any information about the situation or people involved.
  - Refer media requests to University of Arizona personnel for more complete information.

**Call**: County-based 4-H professional at home and/or other offices that have people involved in the activity. See "4-H Event Risk Management – Contacts" for county-based 4-H professional contact information.