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# Surviving the Big One: Hurricane Disaster Planning

#### **Seminar Overview**

This program explains the newest technologies to help make your institution more hurricane proof. It will also guide you through step-by-step preparations for the next hurricane and will explore your recovery options should the worst happen. This is not your common, fill-in-the-blank workshop, but is designed to give you the knowledge and confidence necessary to make a real difference in protecting your institution, your collections, and your staff.

## Agenda

This workshop offers an overview of hurricane characteristics, past hurricane events, and past losses. It reviews basic disaster planning, outlining techniques that are critical to the development of a successful plan. The workshop reviews damages from recent hurricanes, looking at different building types in order to help you determine if your facility is likely to survive a significant hurricane. If building survival is unlikely, this session then outlines issues to consider in terms of emergency off-site storage. Suggestions are offered for specific hurricane plan provisions. In particular the class helps you determine if you will be able to recover using your own staff, or if you should consider an out-side contractor. Issues to consider in terms of contracting are also discussed. Issues of OSHA compliance and mold are briefly discussed (Chicora offers another full-day workshop dealing specifically with mold remediation). The workshop will also briefly cover insurance issues you should be aware of prior to the coming hurricane season.

### **Topics Covered Include:**

- What a hurricane can do to your institution
- What you should be planning for

- Will your building survive?
- > Evaluating your institution's ability to survive
- What is your single best investment in hurricane planning?
- How to develop a disaster plan successfully
- What are the critical pre-hurricane, hurricane, and post-hurricane issues you need to consider
- What role will insurance and outside agencies play in your recovery

#### **Resources**

The workshop will provide copies of the PowerPoint slides used, as well as additional resource and recovery materials.

## Length

Full day (6.5 contact hours)