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Objectives:

- Identify needs, develop documents and programs, and understand the effectiveness of integrating the library into the SLCH Emergency Operations Plan.
- Develop a model for approaching integration and ensuring access to health information using materials and programs to inform clinical staff then requesting feedback from the targeted audience.

Outcomes:

- Information services and resources of the Medical Library are available to clinical team members and first responders during the periods the SLCH Emergency Operations Plan is activated.
- Staff have access to internet resources for personal support during a hospital emergency.
- Best practices entry provides information for hospitals and medical libraries about integration of libraries in emergency plans.

Actions:

- Scan of library integration in EP at regional hospitals
- EP Work Group (EPWG) membership
- Emergency power and light in the library
- Red Phone
- Mini posters at each unit
- Disaster Drills
- Presentations to Unit Based Joint Practice Teams
- Portable lectern, projector
- Notebook computer with extra batteries
- Essential print texts in the Library
- Posters, bookmarks
- Liaison between EPWG and Ethics Committee

Conclusions

- ASK to be involved
- Make the library a “safe” space
- Have emergency equipment and resources
- Spread the word
- Get out of the library

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