

EMERGENCY PLAN FOR SICK ANIMALS

Emergency Protocol

A. What is an emergency:

1. Animal is:

- a. Unconscious or seizing
- b. Unresponsive or very lethargic
- c. Losing large amounts of fluids by:
 - (1) Loss of blood
 - (2) Frequent vomiting
 - (3) Frequent diarrhea of any type
 - (4) Dehydration
 - (5) Systemic temperature > 104.5 F
- d. Animal has broken bones
- c. Animal runs away from the facility
- e. Animal bites someone
- f. Anytime a student feels the situation is serious or life threatening

B. Contact numbers in case of emergency only. The faculty's cell numbers are

1) a privilege and should not be given out.

a. **Campus Police: 8911 (schools phone)**

254-299-8911 (personal phone)

b. Dr. Dennis Clark: 254-299-8771 (office) or 254-715-3258 (cell)

c. Sue Allen, LVT: 254-299-8742 (office) or 254-495-2673 (cell)

d. Laurel Shrawder, LVT: 254-299-8735 (office)

VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY EMERGENCY

EVACUATION PLAN

In the event of an emergency at Veterinary Technology/Agriculture programs, the following should be practiced:

1. **ALL** students are to immediately evacuate the building at the exit nearest Your location.

DO NOT GRAB ANYTHING, INCLUDING PERSONAL ITEMS OR ANIMALS!

2. Meet your instructors on the grassy area at the far side of the stock tank in front of the building to be accounted for. **DO NOT LEAVE THE PROPERTY** until or unless you are instructed to do so.
3. Wait for orders from your Instructor concerning reentry into the building.
4. IF, we are allowed back in the building, the following will be your assigned animals by phase.
 1. Phase 1: Dogs
 2. Phase 2: Cats

3. Phase 3: Laboratory animals

4. Phase 4: Isolation (alleyway horse stalls)

Isolation and Contagious Disease Protocol

1. All treatments and handling of the infectious patient should be done by 1-2 persons only.
2. Proper clothing protection and disinfectant foot dip van should be used when entering and exiting the room.
3. All infectious patients should be treated and handled within the isolation room and should not be taken to the main treatment area, (room 120).
4. All trash and waste should be contained in a separate trash bag, tied up, and taken straight to the dumpster after each cleaning.
5. Laundry from the Isolation room should be placed in a trash bag with the top tied, and washed separately. One cup of bleach should be added to all wash loads.
6. Always wash hands before and after visiting the Isolation room as well as between each patient.
7. If you have any concerns or problems, report them to you Instructor.
8. Further references on contagious and zoonotic diseases and can be found in the textbook, Clinical Textbook for Veterinary Technicians, by McCurnin/Bassert.