Part 1. Purpose of Policy. The purpose of this policy is to establish emergency response, notification and evacuation procedures for Dakota County Technical College (DCTC). Further, this policy seeks to:
   1. Maximize the protection of lives and property.
   2. Ensure that DCTC can continue to provide essential services.
   4. Describe standards regarding training and exercise activities, plan maintenance, and other preparedness activities.
   5. Ensure that all state and federal government planning requirements are met.

This policy applies to all DCTC employees, students, and visitors.

Part 2. Types of Events. Major emergencies or disasters can pose significant threats to public safety and/or health at Dakota County Technical College. Four general types of such events include:
   1. natural disasters;
   2. technological hazards;
   3. civil emergencies; and
   4. national security events.

Specific hazards include but are not limited to:
   1. floods;
   2. fires;
   3. tornadoes;
   4. blizzards;
   5. droughts;
   6. releases of hazardous materials;
   7. emergency levee failures;
   8. pipeline leaks;
   9. explosions; and
   10. other human-made disasters and those involving criminal offense.

Part 3. Establishment of Procedures. DCTC will establish procedures outlining the following:

- How to report an emergency
- Who is responsible for emergency response and notification
- Method(s) used to notify campus community of an emergency
- Notification system testing
- Publication of procedures
- Other response efforts and additional resources

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