

Nutrition, Safety, and Environmental Concerns for Children in Disasters



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Nutrition and children



Nutrition and infants



- Infants: breastfeeding
 - Hurricane Maria & Puerto Rico: Water for Milk (Agua Para Leche)
 - Mass shelters: creating safe spaces

Nutrition and children

- Infants: formula and baby food
 - Bottles, nipples, sanitation
 - Diapers
- Older children: age-appropriate food
 - Nutritional requirements, hydration, snacks
 - Comfort food

Safety in mass shelters

- Supervision
- Play spaces
- Predators
- Noise and light



Safety and reunification



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Family Reunification Following Disasters:
A Planning Tool for Health Care Facilities

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Safety and the environment



- Hurricanes and floods
 - Debris
 - Mold
 - Toxins
 - Temperature, sun, insects



Safety and the environment

- Wildfires and volcanoes
 - Smoke, soot, particulate matter



Safety and the environment

- Toddler/child behavior
 - Curiosity
 - Playing
 - Discerning danger
 - Hygiene / objects to mouth



Ensuring children's safety

- Supervision
- Assistance for basic needs
- Parental tasks
- Lack of schools, child care



Housing and sheltering

- Temporary shelter
- Remaking a neighborhood

