

Instructions to the Candidate:

- You are tasked with outlining your approach to developing a comprehensive disaster management policy and plan for a rural clinic that recently experienced a near-miss natural disaster (cyclone).
 - Present your approach, emphasizing initial steps, stakeholder involvement, key elements of the policy, and strategies for sustainability and improvement.
 - The examiner will guide the discussion with questions.
 - You have **15 minutes** for this case discussion.
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Scenario:

You are a general practitioner at a rural clinic in Northern Australia. Recently, the clinic experienced a 'near miss' from a cyclone, causing minor damage and highlighting the lack of disaster preparedness. The practice manager has asked for your assistance in developing a disaster management policy to ensure the clinic and its staff are better prepared for future events. The clinic serves a large rural community that relies heavily on its services, and the nearest major hospital is several hours away.

The clinic manager and staff have expressed concerns about how to maintain patient care, communicate effectively during a crisis, and manage resources such as medications and power supply. Your task is to outline an approach that addresses these challenges and ensures safety and continuity of care for both staff and patients.