TEN QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER BEFORE AN EMERGENCY OCCURS

1. Do I really know what to do in an emergency?
   • Could I describe what to do to someone else?
   • Is there something I need to learn more about?

2. What will be my responsibilities during an emergency...
   • as an individual?
   • as a department member?
   • as a University employee?

3. What do others in my department or building know about emergency preparedness?
   • What are their resources?
   • What are their responsibilities?

4. Do I familiarize myself with emergency exits or evacuation routes for buildings other than my own, or places where I spend time regularly?

5. How do I plan to get home during or after an emergency?
   • What are my options?
   • What alternate routes could I consider? Have I taken them before?
   • Should I maintain a half-tank or more of gas in my car at all times?

6. What would I do if I could not get home for several hours? Days?

7. What would I do if a colleague or friend was severely injured during an emergency?
   • What number would I call?
   • Are contact numbers handy, on my phone or in my wallet?

8. Do I have personal emergency preparedness plans for my own household?
   • Am I familiar with emergency plans established in places where my family members spend their weekdays? With emergency plans within my community?
   • Do we have an action plan for what everyone will do?
   • Have I established an out-of-area phone contact that friends and relatives can call for news about my family after an emergency?

9. Is my emergency contact information current in StanfordYou?

10. Should I take the Personal Emergency Preparedness course, EHS 5090?