

Plan for Thunderstorms or Tornado Watch

1. Turn on and monitor severe weather radio at the nurse's station.
2. A tornado watch means that conditions are favorable for the development of a tornado.
3. Check on residents and know their whereabouts.
4. Close the window coverings and move residents away from areas that have a large amount of glass. Alert and oriented residents may like to watch the progression of the storm and may need encouragement to keep away from the windows.
5. Know where flashlights are in case of a power outage.
6. Residents who use oxygen concentrators may need an alternate solution should we be without power. Have portable tanks available.
7. Residents who are afraid of storms may need to be involved in a group activity to redirect their attention. Provide reassurance.