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First Things First

Doctors Without Borders finds out about an emergency in different ways. Media reports, local governments and people working for the United Nations and other aid organisations all play a part.

Doctors Without Borders can send a team to a site within hours. Its members then work out what the people need most. It could be medicine, food, shelter or blankets to keep them warm.





Careful planning means crews arrive quickly with supplies, which is very important in an emergency.

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This team is discussing with local authorities how to get supplies to communities.

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Next, the team works out how to get supplies into the country. They have to find the fastest and the safest way. It could be difficult to get trucks through because of fighting, bad weather or because they can't use the roads and bridges. They might have to use other means of transport, such as boats or planes.

People from Doctors Without Borders talk to the people in charge of a country or region before setting up a project. They might need special permission or protection to go in and help.

Refugees

Many people are forced to flee their homes because of war and fighting. These people, called **refugees**, must leave everything behind. They often travel as far as they can from the fighting to find somewhere safer to live. But there is usually no shelter or important supplies like food, water and medicine.



A Doctors Without Borders worker helps refugee babies and children displaced by fighting in South Sudan.

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