While rare, earthquakes are possible in Maryland. What should you do in the event of an earthquake?

BEFORE:

- *Make an emergency plan*. Who should you contact in the event of an emergency? Where should you go if you get separated?
- Secure heavy items, like bookcases and objects that hang on the walls.
- Know where to find emergency exits at home and at work.
- Check that your information is up-to-date in UMB Alerts to receive emergency information. *umaryland.edu/alerts*

DURING:

- **Drop, cover, and hold on!** Take cover under a sturdy desk or table.
- If you are in a wheelchair, lock your wheels and remain seated and cover your head until the shaking stops.
- If you are in a car, pull over and stop. Set your parking brake.
- If you are outside, stay away from buildings.
- If you are inside, stay inside. **Do not run outside.** Avoid doorways - *this is no longer advised and may differ from past earthquake training you've received*.
- Researchers: If it is safe to do so, secure materials you are working with, especially infectious microorganisms and/or lab animals, which could become additional hazards following the earthquake.

DROP! | COVER! | HOLD ON!

AFTER:

- If you are injured or if there is a fire or other life-threatening emergency, **call 911**. Report non-emergencies to the UMB Police Department at 410-70**6-6882**.
- There could be serious hazards, such as damage to the building, leaking gas and water lines, or downed power lines.
- If your building has been damaged, evacuate as soon as the shaking stops.
- Do not re-enter a damaged building.
- Report damages to UMB buildings or property to the Facilities Maintenance Service Center: 410-70**6-7570**
- Expect aftershocks. Some may be large enough to do additional damage to weakened structures. Remember: **Drop, cover, and hold on!**

EARTHQUAKE RESOURCES:

- Ready.gov Earthquakes: *https://www.ready.gov/earthquakes*
- U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Earthquake Notification Service: *https://earthquake.usgs.gov/ens*
- USGS ShakeAlert: *https://earthquake.usgs.gov/data/shakealert*
- Help the USGS identify earthquakes by reporting them in real-time: *https://earthquake.usgs.gov/data/dyfi*

Information adapted from ready.gov/earthquakes