Assessment questions to identify emergencies, risks, hazards and threats to your child care program:

What types of hazards exist within my child care facility (e.g., heavy furniture that could topple, blocked exits, etc.) and what could be the consequences?

What types of hazards exist outside my child care facility (e.g., swimming pool, landscaping with water features, rivers or ponds, open wells, power lines, gas pipelines, dead trees, etc.) and what could be the consequences?

What types of hazards exist in my neighborhood (e.g., rivers and ponds, chemical plants, highways and/or railways where chemicals are transported, flood plan, power lines, gas pipelines, grain elevator, nuclear power plant, research facilities, etc.) and what could be the consequences?

What type of weather extremes may happen in my area (e.g., blizzards, ice storms, high winds, tornadoes, earthquakes, flooding, etc.) and what could be the consequences?

What health issues do my staff/children have (e.g., asthma, diabetes, allergic reactions, limitations in mobility, etc.) and what could be the consequences?

What types of hazards may happen in child care settings (e.g., missing child, intruder, etc.) and what could be the consequences?