

Spartanburg County Office of Emergency Services

# Structural Collapse

## **Checklist for First Responders**

**Objectives:** Assess scene, **C**ontrol hazards, **R**escue victim(s), **E**vacuate victims from scene.

### □ Initial On-scene Report

- □ Assess the scene
- Establish Command
- □ Staging area (min 250' away, 500' if over (4) stories)

### □ Size-up Report

- What happened?
- What is the access?
- Number of victims?
- Condition of the victim(s)
- How are they trapped, stuck?
- What type of structure is it?
- What known hazards exist?
  - Falling debris, secondary collapse, hazmat, uncontrolled utilities

#### Initial Actions

- Isolate and deny entry
- Control hazards
- Identify collapse zone
- Mark control zones

#### **General Reminders**

- Calm and reassure victims
- Support self-rescue

• STOP: Further actions require Technical Rescue Team