At 10:20 a.m. on October 20, 2016, All of MUSC will practice “Drop, Cover, and Hold On” for The Great SouthEast ShakeOut, the region's largest earthquake drill ever! An earthquake drill consists of everyone getting under a table or desk and holding on for 10-20 seconds. You need to hold onto unsecured tables and desks because during an earthquake they will MOVE!

Major earthquakes may happen anywhere you live, work, or travel and Charleston is at risk! The ShakeOut is our chance to practice how to protect ourselves and prepare in advance. The goal is to prevent a major earthquake from becoming a catastrophe for you, MUSC, and our community.

Once the ground starts shaking, you will only have seconds to protect yourself. Do you know exactly what to do? Your quake safe solution does NOT involve a doorway, a triangle or running.

We will use the Great MUSC ShakeOut as an opportunity to conduct a required annual test of the MUSC Alert system. At 10:20 on 10/20 MUSC Alert recipients will receive an alert instructing them to Drop to the floor, seek Cover under a sturdy piece of furniture and Hold On for one minute.

Prizes will be given for the best Great MUSC ShakeOut participation pictures posted to the Great MUSC ShakeOut Yammer Group page (or emailed to varitz@musc.edu ) for a unit/department, laboratory, and classroom setting.

Visit the Yammer Group Great MUSC ShakeOut and check the "file" section for more information, resources and updates.