

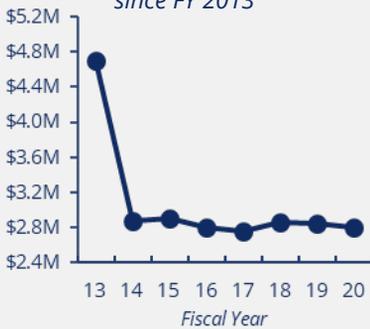


# HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

# KENTUCKY

## HPP FUNDING

**40% decrease in funding**  
*since FY 2013*



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Kentucky (KY) uses HPP funding to expand its preparedness and response network to support its nearly 4.6 million residents.
- HPP-supported exercises, personnel trainings, purchases of equipment and supplies, and responses to real-world events have further developed the capacity and capability of KY's health care systems.
- Since 2014, the KY Department for Public Health has worked closely with local, regional, state, and federal partners in preparing for special pathogens and other emerging infectious diseases (EID).

## SPOTLIGHT ON RESPONSE

After experiencing asymmetric virus spread, KY leveraged lessons learned from the first two weeks of the COVID-19 pandemic to better prepare the region for patient surges. The nine hospitals of the KY Region 1 Healthcare Preparedness Coalition held weekly calls with chief executive officers (CEOs) and chief medical officers (CMOs). Hospitals, local health departments, and emergency management received a "Daily Hospital Snapshot", which included case numbers, hospitalizations, and bed availability. This information sharing, along with the development of the WeKARE COVID-19 Surge Plan, was instrumental in providing much-needed tools to manage patient surges.

## COVID-19 RESPONSE

- Planning efforts supported by HPP have shown an enhanced preparedness for hospitals, public health agencies, emergency medical services, and other partnering agencies during COVID-19.
- HPP Readiness and Response Coordinators (RRCs) and their health care coalition (HCC) partners gathered and disseminated real-time data and intelligence within their regions and the state to enhance situational awareness and inform decision-making among state and local leadership.
- HCC coordination enabled the sharing of scarce resources, deployment of HPP assets, and acquisition of supplies to support the health care community, including long-term care facilities.



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**Health Care Coalitions**

## HCC CORE MEMBER PARTICIPATION



of acute care hospitals



of emergency medical services



of public health agencies



of emergency management agencies

FY19 end-of-year data, HCC count, and map as of 6/30/2020. Participation rate equals # of HCC member organizations divided by the total # of organizations in KY.