HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

HPP FUNDING

8% decrease in funding since FY 2013

HIGHLIGHTS

• Los Angeles County (LAC) uses HPP funding to build a robust preparedness and response network to protect over 10 million residents.
• With HPP funding, LAC implemented eight sessions to train frontline facilities across sectors on infection control processes, command center activation, personal protective equipment (PPE), and waste management.
• The Emerging Infectious Diseases (EID) response network shares promising practices and information on a bimonthly basis.

SPOTLIGHT ON RESPONSE

COVID-19 has presented many challenges for the over 2,000 health care coalition (HCC) member organizations, but the HCC drew from plans, tools, and equipment developed over the past 16 years to guide its response. The response has tested emergency operations plan (EOP) surge plans, including allocating scarce resources and setting up alternate care sites. LAC worked to overcome PPE shortages by eliminating resource requests and developing a tiered system of PPE “pushes” to regional Disaster Resource Centers (DRC) using the hub-and-spoke model for distribution as it became available.

COVID-19 RESPONSE

• Since March 2020, LAC Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency has used daily COVID-19 reports to assess status of acute care hospitals (ACHs) through the ReddiNet system.
• LAC EMS Agency conducted weekly and sometimes daily briefings with ACHs and regularly updated the coalition website to provide situational awareness.
• LAC EMS Agency continues to provide PPE, pharmaceuticals, diagnostics, and other equipment necessary to assist with supply chain interruptions and shortages throughout the county. As of January 2021, over 55 million items had been provided.
• LAC EMS Agency responded to concurrent crises throughout 2020, including multiple COVID-19 surges and wildfires across California.

HCC CORE MEMBER PARTICIPATION

- 99% of acute care hospitals
- 100% of emergency medical services
- 100% of public health agencies
- 100% of emergency management agencies

NATIONAL SPECIAL PATHOGEN SYSTEM

- 1 Health Care Coalition
- 2 Special Pathogen Treatment Centers

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 LAC.

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