HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

MASSACHUSETTS

HPP FUNDING

40% decrease in funding since FY 2013

HIGHLIGHTS

• Massachusetts (MA) uses HPP funds to build a robust emergency preparedness and response foundation for the state's nearly 7 million residents.
• Seventy-one acute care hospitals, including one children’s hospital and three U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) hospitals, participate in MA’s six health care coalitions (HCCs).
• Long-term health care facilities are a priority for MA, with over 500 facilities participating in HCCs.

SPOTLIGHT ON RESPONSE

On July 23, 2019, three tornados touched down on Cape Cod causing widespread damage in a heavily populated tourist area. MA activated the State Emergency Operations Center, and the department of public health (DPH) responded to support Emergency Support Function 8 (ESF-8), along with the southeastern Health and Medical Coordinating Coalition who co-located their operations with the county's Multi Agency Coordination Center (MACC). DPH sent notifications through the Health and Homeland Alert Network (HHAN), reaching 1,348 individuals from core coalition disciplines in the impacted area.

COVID-19 RESPONSE

• The Health and Homeland Alert Network (HHAN) and DPH listservs were vital connections to stakeholders; in FY2019 the HHAN Coordinator sent 403 HHAN and 431 listserv messages to over 200,000 recipients during COVID-19 response.
• DPH's resource unit responded to 3,726 requests for 4.1 million pieces of personal protective equipment (PPE) and testing supplies for hospitals, nursing homes, emergency medical services, and other health care entities. The unit also coordinated the delivery of 679 ventilators and 36,392 doses of Remdesivir to hospitals.

NATIONAL SPECIAL PATHOGEN SYSTEM

1 Regional Ebola and Other Special Pathogen Treatment Center

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 MA.

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