HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

UTAH

HPP FUNDING

25% decrease in funding since FY 2013

$3.5M $3.0M $2.5M $2.0M $1.5M
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Fiscal Year

HIGHLIGHTS

• The Utah Department of Health (UDOH) works with many external partners to provide expert health care preparedness and response training throughout the state.
• Health care coalitions (HCCs) supported effective communication and coordinated distribution of scarce equipment during the COVID-19 response.
• UDOH scaled up an alternate care site, which involved addressing regulatory waivers, billing, patient tracking, and supplemental staffing.
• In collaboration with the Office of Civil Rights, Utah refined its Crisis Standards of Care to address the unique considerations of a pandemic.

SPOTLIGHT ON RESPONSE

A designated Utah Assessment Hospital through HPP's Ebola Preparedness and Response cooperative agreement received one of the first American COVID-19 cases. A patient from the Diamond Princess cruise ship was transferred from California to a high-level isolation unit at the Intermountain Medical Center in Salt Lake City, which had previously developed a Biocontainment Center with HPP support. The Medical Center's special pathogen preparedness made it a leader in the initial response to COVID-19.

COVID-19 RESPONSE

• UDOH quickly recognized key external stakeholders and facilitated regular opportunities for information sharing and coordination throughout the pandemic response.
• Since activating on January 21, 2020, Utah's unified command operations created regular Incident Action Plans and situation reports and facilitated statewide coordination through Command Briefings and Operational Tactics meetings.
• UDOH collected lessons learned from response team surveys, audits, and documented processes to apply to the department's current and future emergency plans.

HCC CORE MEMBER PARTICIPATION

100% of acute care hospitals
100% of emergency medical services
100% of public health agencies
100% 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 UT.

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