

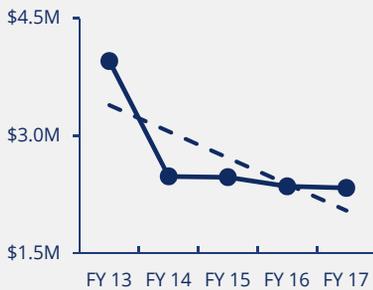


HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

CONNECTICUT

HPP FUNDING

41% decrease in funding
since FY 2013



HIGHLIGHTS

- Connecticut (CT) uses HPP funds to build a robust emergency preparedness and response foundation for the state's population of 3.6 million
- 31 acute care hospitals participate in CT's 5 health care coalitions (HCCs), including a children's hospital and six psychiatric hospitals
- In FY 2017, a CT HCC attended the HCRL Course in Anniston, AL. Participation proved to be tremendously beneficial as they built internal strengths as an HCC
- CT's HCCs have defined and documented regional boundaries to clarify which coalition will lead the response in an emergency

HCC CORE MEMBER PARTICIPATION



of hospitals



of Emergency Medical Services



of public health departments



of emergency management organizations

SPOTLIGHT ON RESPONSE: Middlesex Hospital Incident

- In February 2018, a car driver intentionally slammed into the emergency room doors of Middlesex Hospital and poured gasoline on himself to start a fire.
- In response, the ER evacuated 30 patients and diverted patients for eight days to other Region 3 hospitals. Neighboring hospitals maintained regular communication through HCCs, and CT DPH provided updates and information to all Region 3 HCC members.
- With HPP funds, Middlesex Hospital and the Region 3 HCC developed evacuation plans and response plans that contributed to the success of this response.

FY 2018 PRIORITIES

- **Community Resilience:** Conduct drills to operationalize response plans
- **Incident Management:** Coordinate emergency operations by reviewing statewide emergency response plans
- **Countermeasures & Mitigation:** Manage access to pharmaceutical and non-pharmaceutical interventions
- **Information Management:** Support the ability to share situational awareness across the health care system
- **Surge Management:** Ensure all health care coalitions conduct the Coalition Surge Test to improve medical surge planning



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Health Care Coalitions