HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

CONNECTICUT

HPP FUNDING

41% decrease in funding since FY 2013

$4.5M $3.0M $1.5M
FY 13 FY 14 FY 15 FY 16 FY 17

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

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

HCC CORE MEMBER PARTICIPATION

100% of hospitals
100% of Emergency Medical Services
100% of public health departments
100% of emergency management organizations

5 Health Care Coalitions

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