HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

HAWAII

HPP FUNDING

30% decrease in funding since FY 2013

HIGHLIGHTS

• Hawaii uses HPP funds to build a robust emergency preparedness and response foundation for the state’s population of 1.4 million and 8 million annual visitors
• All 29 of Hawaii’s hospitals participate in the state’s health care coalition (HCC), which is led by the Hawaii Healthcare Emergency Management Coalition (HHEMC)
• HPP funding allows Hawaii to prepare for a diverse set of threats, including hurricanes, volcanoes, tsunamis, and infectious diseases
• HDOH works closely with HHEMC and their health care partners to jointly identify and meet the medical readiness needs of Hawaii’s residents before and after a disaster

SPOTLIGHT ON RESPONSE: 2018 Kauai Floods

Hawaii’s health care coalition, HHEMC, provided medical support (Kalawao Rescue Team) to displaced communities during the April 2018 floods and mudslides on the Island of Kauai. Approximately three feet of rain fell in two days to the northern part of Kauai, causing flooding, mudslides, and roads to wash out. This separated communities from critical daily services, including health care. HHEMC deployed 10 RNs, seven physicians, one PA, and a paramedic over their 17-day deployment. This team treated 342 patients, provided 52 tetanus shots, and distributed 200 wound kits.

FY 2018 PRIORITIES

• Draft a framework for behavioral health, pediatric surge, and burn surge plans: This will enhance and strengthen Hawaii’s ability to provide medical support to pediatric and burn patients and improve overall coordination of behavioral health responders
• Identify Federal Medical Station (FMS) sites: This will enhance Hawaii’s ability to care for low acuity patients, which allows for a more timely set-up of FMS sites and rapid transition to a health care setting from a displaced or shelter living environment
• Provide Incident Management training to all HCC members: This training will enhance individual health care members of Hawaii’s HCC to respond more effectively within their own facilities and throughout Hawaii

HCC CORE MEMBER PARTICIPATION

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

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