Health care coalitions incentivize diverse health care organizations to work together. Many different health care entities must come together to ensure community preparedness. Developed and sustained with HPP’s support, HCCs are groups of health care and response organizations that collaborate to prepare for and respond to emergencies, natural disasters, and other crises.

HCC membership is diverse and varied, but all coalitions must include four core members. Core member participation improves patient outcomes and enhances load-sharing during emergencies.

Regional efforts help each patient receive the right care at the right place at the right time.

HPP prepares the nation’s health care system to save lives during disasters and emergencies.

HPP is the only source of federal funding for health care delivery system readiness. Through regional collaboration on health care preparedness and response, HPP promotes a sustained national focus on improving patient outcomes, minimizing the need for supplemental state and federal resources during emergencies, and enabling rapid recovery in the wake of emergencies and disasters.

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“As a result of HPP’s efforts, our nation’s health care system is more prepared than ever.”

Melissa Harvey, Director
Division of National Health Care Preparedness Programs

15 Years of Health Care Preparedness and Response

2001 9/11 Attacks catalyze new national security programs

2002 HPP established to prepare the nation’s health care system for emergencies

2002–2012 HPP supports individual health care facilities by purchasing equipment and tangible resources

2005 Hurricane Katrina reveals critical gaps in the nation’s preparedness for natural disasters

2006 HPP becomes part of ASPR. Founded in the wake of Hurricane Katrina

2009 H1N1 Pandemic renews focus on influenza pandemic response

2012 Hurricane Sandy becomes the second costliest storm in U.S. history

2013 Boston’s regional HCC leads response to Boston Marathon Bombings

2014–2015 HPP supports regional treatment network following the Ebola outbreak

2016 – present HPP emphasizes the role of HCCs as response entities

2016 Zika leads to a public health emergency; the Pulse shooting leaves 49 dead

2017 HCCs respond to the Las Vegas shooting and to Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, & Maria

2002–2012 Hospitals 86%

2005–2015 Local Health Departments 75%

2012–2015 Emergency Management Organizations 46%

2016–2015 Emergency Medical Services 23%

4,785 of the nation’s hospitals belong to an HCC

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National HCC Core Member Participation Rate

HPP awardees 62

HCCs nationwide 476

HCC members 28,000

Invested since 2002 $5.3b

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