



**METRO REGIONAL
PREPAREDNESS COALITION**

Building partnerships for preparedness

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

A HOSPITAL VIEW



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HOSPITAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Extreme Weather response must be integrated into a Hospitals Emergency Preparedness Program

- Comprehensive – includes all departments
- Ongoing – part of business as usual

Hospitals need to fit their approach to their centers capabilities

- Size of facility and staff
- Location(s)
- Resources
- Type of center – CHC, MHC, HCH, PHPC
- Population served

HOW DO WE PREPARE ?

- Hospital Incident Command System (HICS)
- Hazard Vulnerability Assessment (HVA)
- Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)
- Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
 - Main
 - Secondary
- Communications
- Equipment & Resources- 96hr Plan
- Exercise/ Training



PREPAREDNESS PARTNERSHIPS

Establish relationships with key decision makers before an emergency

- Hospitals should integrate with emergency management system at all levels in their states:
 - State/local emergency management agencies
 - State and local health departments
 - Mental health agencies
 - Local Police and Fire Departments
- Participate in community exercises
- Hospital plans should align with State and/or local plans
- Hospitals are encouraged to connect with any ongoing efforts in their communities
- Hospitals need to define their role in response
- Consider updating and creating MOUs with other community partners for resources – personnel, equipment, supplies
- Hospitals should help staff prepare their families for emergencies