



Coalition Overview

Who We Are

The Coalition is a collaborative of healthcare organizations and emergency response partners working together to create a prepared and resilient healthcare system in the Twin Cities seven county Metro area

Goal/Mission

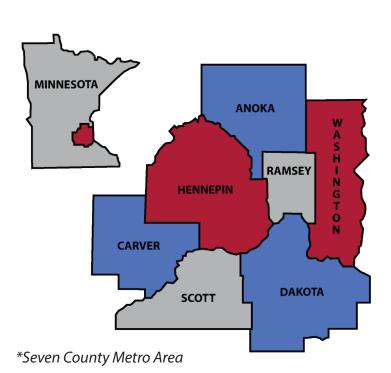
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The goal of the Coalition is to create a healthcare system resilient to disasters or emergencies with public health or medical implications.

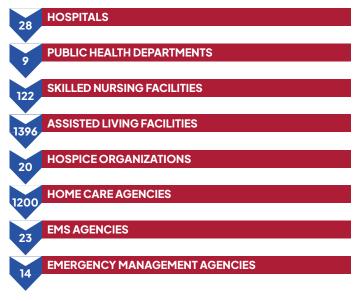
Values

Inclusive Accountable Collaborative

Transparent



Purpose & Scope



What We Do

The role of the Coalition is to communicate and facilitate more effective, efficient and timely situational awareness as well as support the coordination of resources resulting in an overall improved response and recovery.

The Coalition will:



Help organizations plan for and respond to emergencies

Host regional preparedness exercises to help organizations practice their emergency plans



Offer free or low-cost emergency preparedness training, education, and conferences



Serve as a liaison to other regional and state preparedness and response partners

Collaborate with regional partners to coordinate an effective response in the event of a disaster or emergency



Response

Metro health and medical facilities have a long history of working together, including regional emergency preparedness planning. Metro region planning coordinated the purchase of equipment, joint training and exercises, plan writing, and resource level assessment and acquisition. The Metro Coalition utilizes a multi-agency coordination group during responses. In the event of a response, the Metro Coalition may activate the Regional Healthcare Resource Center (RHRC). The RHRC provides a center for collecting and disseminating current resource information and coordination and tracking of resource allocations. The RHRC will serve as a coordinating point between healthcare facilities and other government and nongovernmental response agencies when necessary or requested. During an incident, the RHRC will consider the need for the following tasks:

¹ Notifying healthcare coalition members of an incident.

Activating the RHRC response team physically or virtually to assist with coordination of response activities.

⁶ Communicating with coalition members, local and state partners, and supporting organizations on incident status.

Activating and supporting a Health and Medical Multi-Discipline Coordination Group if indicated.

Funding

The Coalition operates primarily on funds from the Health Care Preparedness Program (HPP) which is funded by the U.S. Department of Human Services (HHS), Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR) through the Minnesota Department of Health.

More Information

To learn more about the Coalition and how we can assist you in your preparedness planning, please visit: <u>www.metrohealthready.org</u>

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