



## Coalition Overview

### Who We Are

Since 2002, our staff have led this collaborative of healthcare organizations and emergency response partners believing that when we plan together, train together, and respond together we create a prepared and resilient healthcare system.

### What We Do

Services our staff provide:

- ✓ Emergency preparedness training, education, and conferences.
- ✓ Regional preparedness exercises for long term care (LTC), home care, and hospice members to practice their emergency plans and meet regulatory requirements.
- ✓ Coordinate, provide situational awareness, and broker resources for members during an event or incident.
- ✓ Provide 24/7 on call availability to members for support during an incident or event.
- ✓ Neutral liaison to other regional and state response partners.

## Coalition Highlights

- Hosted four CMS-compliant community-based exercise for 1172 long term care (LTC), home care, and hospice members.
- Delivered Back-to-Basics Preparedness classes for LTC members with an on-demand version for virtual viewing.
- Established recurring monthly meetings to provide micro-training and promote collaboration among LTC, home care and hospice members.
- Developed an Emergency Operations Plan template and crosswalk to assist members with facility preparedness and compliance in the survey process.

**We are here for you!**

## Assistance with Emergency Situations

During a disaster or response, the Coalition can act as a platform to share healthcare information and resources or can facilitate access to regional or state assets if needed.

## More Information

To learn more about The Metro Health & Medical Preparedness Coalition and how we can assist you in your preparedness planning, please visit: [www.metrohealthready.org](http://www.metrohealthready.org).

Email: [prepared@metrohealthready.org](mailto:prepared@metrohealthready.org)

24/7 On-Call: 612-873-9911

## Funding is in JEOPARDY

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) through the Minnesota Department of Health.

Like many programs the HPP funding is in jeopardy. We will have to pursue a different funding formula if the HPP funds are cut or eliminated.

## What can you do?

Write and send us an impact statement on how the Coalition has helped and/or supported your organization.

Contact State and Federal Congressional leaders sharing your impact story and informing them of the importance of the Hospital Preparedness Program. Ask them to fund the program.

Ensure your executive leaders are aware of what the Coalition does and help them understand what is at risk.

*The Metro Coalition serves the seven county metro area.*

