



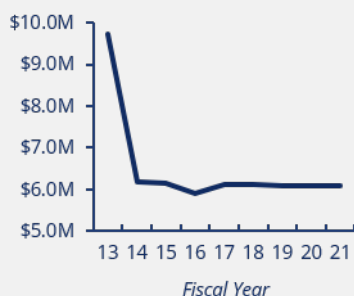
Office of the Assistant Secretary for  
**Preparedness & Response**

## HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

## NORTH CAROLINA

### HPP FUNDING

**37% decrease in funding**  
*since FY 2013*



### HIGHLIGHTS

- North Carolina (NC) uses HPP funding to build and maintain a strong emergency preparedness and response foundation for the state's 10.4 million residents.
- The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services improved the state's capacity to prepare for and respond to public health emergencies by revising the North Carolina Statewide Emergency Operations Plan and by strengthening existing and creating new relationships across the state's health care landscape.

### SPOTLIGHT ON PREPAREDNESS

University of North Carolina Health Southeastern's Community Health Services Department is opening telehealth booths in Robeson County to provide equitable access to telehealth in a county where over half the population does not have broadband internet access. The booths were purchased using HPP funding and offer individuals the opportunity to have a Zoom appointment with the primary care provider of their choosing. These booths are transforming patient care in an equitable and accessible way for the community.

### COVID-19 RESPONSE

- NC's HPP has been essential in collecting necessary data from hospitals across the state to plan and strategize COVID-19 response efforts. This has encouraged the state's HPP, as a team, to grow in its regional and state response efforts.
- NC HPP, in coordination with its eight HCCs, provided hospital-to-hospital patient coordination support to alleviate surge in critical access hospitals across the state.
- NC HPP has been essential in maintaining personal protective equipment and medical supplies for the state through warehouse management.



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**Health Care  
Coalitions**

### HCC CORE MEMBER PARTICIPATION



of acute care  
hospitals



of emergency  
medical services



of public health  
agencies



of emergency  
management  
agencies

FY20 end-of-year data and HCC count as of 6/30/2021. Participation rate equals # of HCC member organizations divided by the total # of organizations in NC.

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