



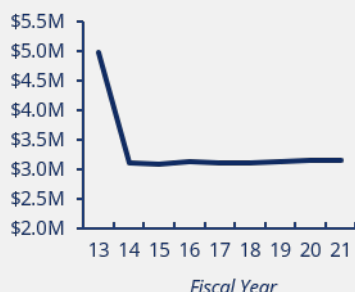
Office of the Assistant Secretary for  
**Preparedness & Response**

## HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

## SOUTH CAROLINA

### HPP FUNDING

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



### HIGHLIGHTS

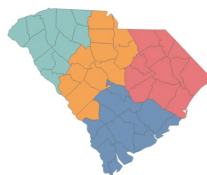
- South Carolina uses HPP funding to build and maintain a strong emergency preparedness and response foundation for the state's 5.1 million residents.
- South Carolina health care coalitions (HCCs) increased efficiency of their patient triage processes and expanded the capacity of waiting areas by utilizing portable tent systems.
- South Carolina HCCs mitigated long emergency medical services (EMS) wait times by providing facilitating discussions among emergency managers, public health, and EMS to identify pain points that impede efficiency.

### SPOTLIGHT ON RESPONSE

South Carolina's Midlands Region Healthcare Coalition reached out to its members to request any available personal protective equipment that can be used to address resource needs across the region. The coalition received supplies from both its members and other health care community members to support facilities across the state. This operation was later used to provide hospitals with critical medical equipment needed to treat COVID-19 patients, such as bilevel positive airway pressure machines and ventilators.

### COVID-19 RESPONSE

- Pee Dee Coastal Healthcare Coalition's response to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021 has centered around vaccination efforts. Public health, hospitals, and Federally Qualified Health Centers coordinated vaccine efforts to provide access to the COVID-19 vaccine throughout the region in both rural and urban settings.
- The HPP in South Carolina collaborated with both internal and external partners to collect more than 8,900 COVID-19 testing samples.
- The Upstate HCC worked with a core of coalition and community partners to arrange for the Greenville Convention Center to be converted into a drive-thru sample collection site for first responders and medical personnel.



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**Health Care  
Coalitions**

**OTHER ASPR HEALTH CARE  
READINESS PROGRAMS AND  
ACTIVITIES**

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*Special Pathogen  
Treatment Center*

### 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 SC.