



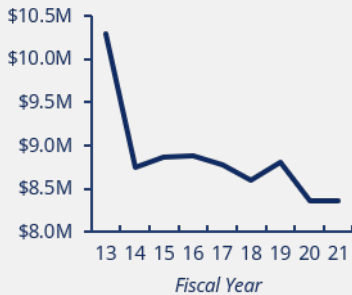
Office of the Assistant Secretary for  
**Preparedness & Response**

**HOSPITAL  
PREPAREDNESS  
PROGRAM**

**ILLINOIS**

**HPP FUNDING**

**19% decrease in funding**  
*since FY 2013*



**HIGHLIGHTS**

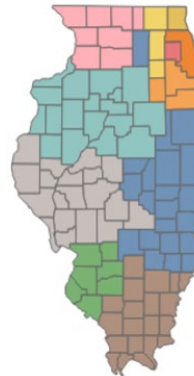
- Illinois (IL) uses HPP funding to build and expand its preparedness and response network to support its nearly 12 million residents and visitors.
- The IL Department of Public Health (IDPH) implemented joint planning with health care, public health, and other jurisdictional partners to maximize program effectiveness.
- The IDPH prepared for diverse threats, such as flooding, severe storms, Ebola, and the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The IDPH used an all-hazards approach to mitigate emerging disasters.

**SPOTLIGHT ON PREPAREDNESS**

IL designed the School Nurse Emergency Care Course to enhance the assessment, triaging, and treatment skills of school nurses when confronted with an acutely ill student. With both the increasing number of urgent, health-related conditions seen within the changing school environment and the need to assure disaster preparedness in a school setting, the course was designed to support school nurses' core knowledge base in responding to these types of situations. By creating this course, IL equipped school nurses with the training necessary to properly respond to acutely ill students.

**COVID-19 RESPONSE**

- The IDPH coordinated with state partners, emergency management, and IL state police to deliver the ultra-cold COVID-19 vaccine.
- The IDPH's Immediate Bed Availability system was used throughout the COVID-19 pandemic as a tool to collect data on bed availability daily, track bypass status for emergency departments and hospitals, and track COVID-19 data elements for beds utilized by patients diagnosed with COVID-19 or under investigation for COVID-19 illness.
- The IDPH developed electronic platforms in collaboration with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency to track and leverage personal protective equipment, ventilators, and other supplies.



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**Health Care Coalitions**

**HCC CORE MEMBER PARTICIPATION**

**95%**  
of acute care hospitals

**92%**  
of emergency medical services

**77%**  
of public health agencies

**82%**  
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 IL.