

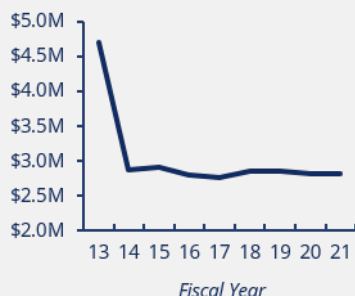


**HOSPITAL  
PREPAREDNESS  
PROGRAM**

**KENTUCKY**

**HPP FUNDING**

**40% decrease in funding**  
*since FY 2013*



**HIGHLIGHTS**

- Kentucky (KY) uses HPP funding to build and expand its preparedness and response network to support its 4.5 million residents.
- KY health care coalitions (HCCs) increased real-time situational awareness through information gathering and sharing.
- KY HCCs enhanced preparedness for pandemic response and medical surge by planning activities executed prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- KY HCCs expanded supply chain security to include increased cooperation among members when purchasing supplies and planning for shortages.

**SPOTLIGHT ON RESPONSE**

WeKARE Health Care Coalition initiated weekly assessment calls with hospital administration to evaluate hospital capacity and needs. In coordination with these meetings, participants received a daily snapshot highlighting new COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, bed availability, and ventilator usage. This snapshot provided updated information on hospital capacity, enabling hospitals to anticipate their own needs and identify sources of surge support. These efforts led WeKARE to develop a specialty COVID-19 Surge Response Plan to navigate current and future surge situations.

**COVID-19 RESPONSE**

- KY Department of Public Health (KDPH), HCCs, and initial receiving agencies participated in tabletop exercises for vaccine distribution.
- KY HPP and HCCs engaged member agencies and shared promising practices for use of monoclonal antibody (mAb) therapeutics.
- KDPH partnered Federally Qualified Health Centers and rural health clinics with hospitals and clinicians.
- KDPH encouraged and organized strike teams to administer mAb therapy at congregate care facilities to reduce hospitalizations.
- KDPH held weekly team calls that included Kentucky Hospital Association, long-term care facilities, and other stakeholders and engaged hospital leaders.



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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 KY.