

ANNUAL REPORT 2017-2018

+ MISSION:

To protect the health and well-being of Miami-Dade County's population through a continuous cycle of planning, preparedness, and mitigation to effectively facilitate an improved response to all-hazards events

+ PURPOSE & GOALS

- Provide a coordinated effort to support healthcare emergency preparedness and response capabilities of hospitals and community stakeholders in Miami-Dade County
- Provide a forum for the healthcare community to interact with one another on a county-level
- Promote emergency preparedness in healthcare settings.
- Coordinate and improve the delivery of healthcare emergency response services
- Cultivate communication between county level organizations and community-wide emergency planning and response

+ MDCHPC BACKGROUND

The Miami-Dade County Healthcare Preparedness Coalition, formerly known as the Miami-Dade County Hospital Preparedness Consortium, is a multi-disciplinary group that was established in March 2006 to assist the county in articulating strategic priorities and overseeing the development and execution of preparedness focused on strengthening preparedness and response.

Operationally, MDCHPC has a formal structure, with bylaws, specific strategic planning goals, regular meetings and scheduled activities that are planned and managed.

Some of MDCHPC's Key Activities include:

- Joint Hazard Vulnerability Analysis
- HSEEP Compliant Exercise opportunities
- Multidisciplinary Training and Education opportunities
- Subject Matter Experts to share ideas and resources
- Funding Opportunities
- Medical Surge Exercise opportunity

2017-2018 MDCHPC Board of Directors:

Administrative Co-chair: Rajesh Maragh, Baptist Health South Florida
Clinical Co-chair: Dr. Gerard Job, Jackson Health System
Public Health Co-chair: Natasha Strokin, Florida Department of Health
Operations Co-chair: John Caprio, SMRT7

2017-2018 MDCHPC Committee Chairs:

Elieser De La Rosa, Clinical & Ethical, Westchester General Hospital
Open, Clinical & Ethical
Mike Diaz, Exercise & Training, Baptist Health South Florida
John Hatfield, Exercise & Training, HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital

MDCHPC Member Organizations:

Agency for Health Care Administration
American Medical Response
American Ambulance
Aventura Hospital & Medical Center
Baptist Health South Florida Care Resource.
Catholic Hospice and Catholic Home Health
City of Miami Fire Rescue
Coral Gables Hospital
Correct Care
Dade County Medical Association
Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County
Florida Bureau of Public Health Laboratories, Miami-Dade Branch
Florida Health Care Association
Fresenius Medical Care
Glades West Rehab
Hampton Court Nursing Center
HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital
Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade
Heartland Hospice
Hialeah Hospital
Homestead Air Force Base
IDEA exchange
Jackson Health System
Jackson Health System Centers
Jessie Trice Community Health Centers
Kendall Regional Medical Center
Kindred Hospital
Larkin Community Hospital
Larkin Community Hospital- Palm Springs Campus
Leon Medical Center
Mactown, Inc
Mercy Hospital
Miami Beach Community Health Center
Miami Cerebral Palsy Residential Services
Miami Jewish Home and Hospital
Miami VA Healthcare System
Miami-Dade County Medical Examiner's Office
Miami-Dade County Office of Emergency Management
Miami-Dade Police Department
Mount Sinai Medical Center
Nicklaus Children's Hospital
North Shore Medical Center
Palmetto General Hospital
Sister Emmanuel Hospital
South Florida Evaluation and Treatment Center
University of Miami Health System
Victoria Nursing Home
West Gables Rehabilitation Hospital
Westchester General Hospital

+ MESSAGES FROM MDCHPC CO-CHAIRS

Gerard Job, MD



MDCHPC Clinical Co-chair

I presently work as the Medical Director for the county's Fire Rescue Department and as an Emergency Department physician at Jackson Memorial Hospital for the county's HealthCare Trust. As the incoming Clinical co-chairperson of the Board of Directors, my main goal will be to identify and address any gaps that we may encounter in our Hazard Vulnerability Analysis.

These gaps will be addressed through planning, training, exercising and resource management. We will strive to ensure the safety and health of all residents and visitors to our county during any disasters or public health emergencies. I enthusiastically accept the challenges that we are sure to encounter and greatly appreciate the opportunity to serve our county as the clinical co-chairperson of the Miami Dade HealthCare Preparedness Coalition.

Raj Maragh, CHEP

MDCHPC Administrative Co-Chair

As the Administrative Co-Chair and former Communications Chair, over the last six years I have seen The Miami Dade County Healthcare Preparedness Coalition grow, and actively engage both hospitals and other stakeholders from the community in becoming active members who help move our mission towards protecting "the health and well-being" of Miami Dade's population. Because of these efforts we are better prepared to face different kinds of hazards and can effectively respond to natural disasters, technological emergencies and man-made incidents. I look forward and hope to continue to contribute to the MDCHPC's vision and purpose in the years to come.



Natasha Strokin, MPA

MDCHPC Public Health Co-Chair

I have had the distinct honor to serve as the public health co-chair for several years and have witnessed the continual growth of the coalition first hand. This year, the coalition has welcomed a surge of new members who have demonstrated admirable passion and dedication to serving our community before, during, and after disasters. We worked together to overcome challenges during Hurricanes Irma and Maria and the strength of our coalition was demonstrated by the outpouring of support when help was needed. The partnerships developed in this body help foster a strong public health system and a more resilient community. We have worked together to successfully meet the stakeholder expectations and challenges of a variety of public health threats with professionalism, camaraderie, and respect for all. Looking forward, I am confident this coalition will continue to evolve to incorporate additional partners and be a force for positive improvements in healthcare and community preparedness.



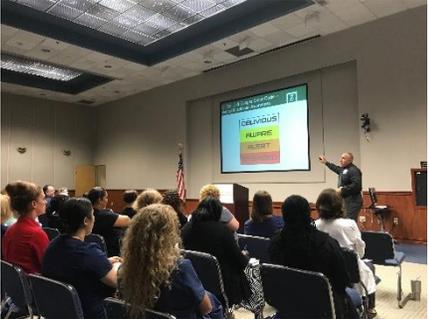
+ TRAINING & EDUCATION

Training opportunities for MDCHPC members have offered a variety of topics pertinent to our mission. This impressive diversity of trainings was the result of extensive coordination between numerous agencies and partners. Numerous training and educational opportunities were made available to MDCHPC members, some of which included the following:

Active Shooter Awareness – conducted by Jesus “Jessie” Menocal of Baptist Health South Florida, provided by MDCHPC, April 2018

National Healthcare Coalition Preparedness Conference – provided by MDCHPC to members
Introduction to CMS - hosted and provided by William Senyshyn, FDOH Consultant, ongoing

* Healthcare partners are also sent a list of additional diverse training opportunities in the County and Region on a regular basis.



+ DRILLS & EXERCISES

Coalition Medical Surge Exercise (May 2018):

The exercise provided the opportunity for coalition members to process bed availability, patient transfer, patient transportation, and patient tracking in the event of a medical surge. The exercise allowed evacuating facilities to review their evacuation protocols and gave other members, including new health care partners such as skilled nursing homes, the opportunity to participate in a community based exercise. The exercise allowed the coalition to test its integration into Emergency Support Function (ESF) 8 Health/Medical operations in response to a significant medical surge.



MDCHPC ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR 2016-2017

1. Acquired \$678,000 in disaster related grants for MDCHPC and for its member organizations.
2. Awarded more than \$420,000 to member and community projects for training, exercises, education, and equipment.
3. MDCHPC is an integral part of Florida's Healthcare Coalitions State Workgroup whose function is to develop recommendations for the design, structure and purpose of Healthcare Coalitions in the state.
4. Conducted Quarterly communication drills and for 2017 had over a 90% response rate. Acute Care Hospitals also participate in bed availability reporting drills through FLHealthSTAT, in addition to reporting as requested during exercises.



*Pictures: ¹Active Shooter Presentation, ²EOC during Coalition Medical Surge Exercise, ³Coalition Medical Surge Exercise c/o Jackson Memorial Hospital

+ MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



John Hatfield **MDCHPC Exercise and Training Committee Co-chair** **Encompass Health**

About

John has been working in healthcare engineering and facility management for over 30 years. John started working in healthcare as a janitor in a nursing home while attending college for engineering and worked his way up to Assistant Administrator of two 400 bed plus facilities in N.J. and regional director over multiple facilities in areas of engineering, facility management, and safety. John moved to Florida in 2001 to manage 11 nursing homes and 4 Assisted Living Facilities. Pursuing a career in hospitals, John left nursing homes/ALF management and has been the Director of Plant Operations and Safety for the last 11 years in rehabilitation hospitals.

Education

John started his education at Monmouth University in Long Branch N.J. and completed his Bachelors in Business Administration and equivalent Bachelors in Emergency Management from Grand Canyon University in Phoenix Arizona.

Coalition Work

John has been an active member of the Miami-Dade County Healthcare Preparedness Coalition since its inception in 2006. John is the current co-chair of our Training and Exercise Committee and past co-chair of our Clinical and Ethical Committee. John has brought his vision of a united healthcare community to the Coalition's Medical Surge Exercise where he worked tirelessly to plan and execute the exercise. John's efforts were recognized by the state Health Care Coalition Task Force and John was invited to join a panel discussing Nursing Home integration into the Surge Exercise.

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