



ALASKA STATEWIDE HEALTHCARE COALITION

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HEALTHCARE COALITIONS: A BRIEF HISTORY

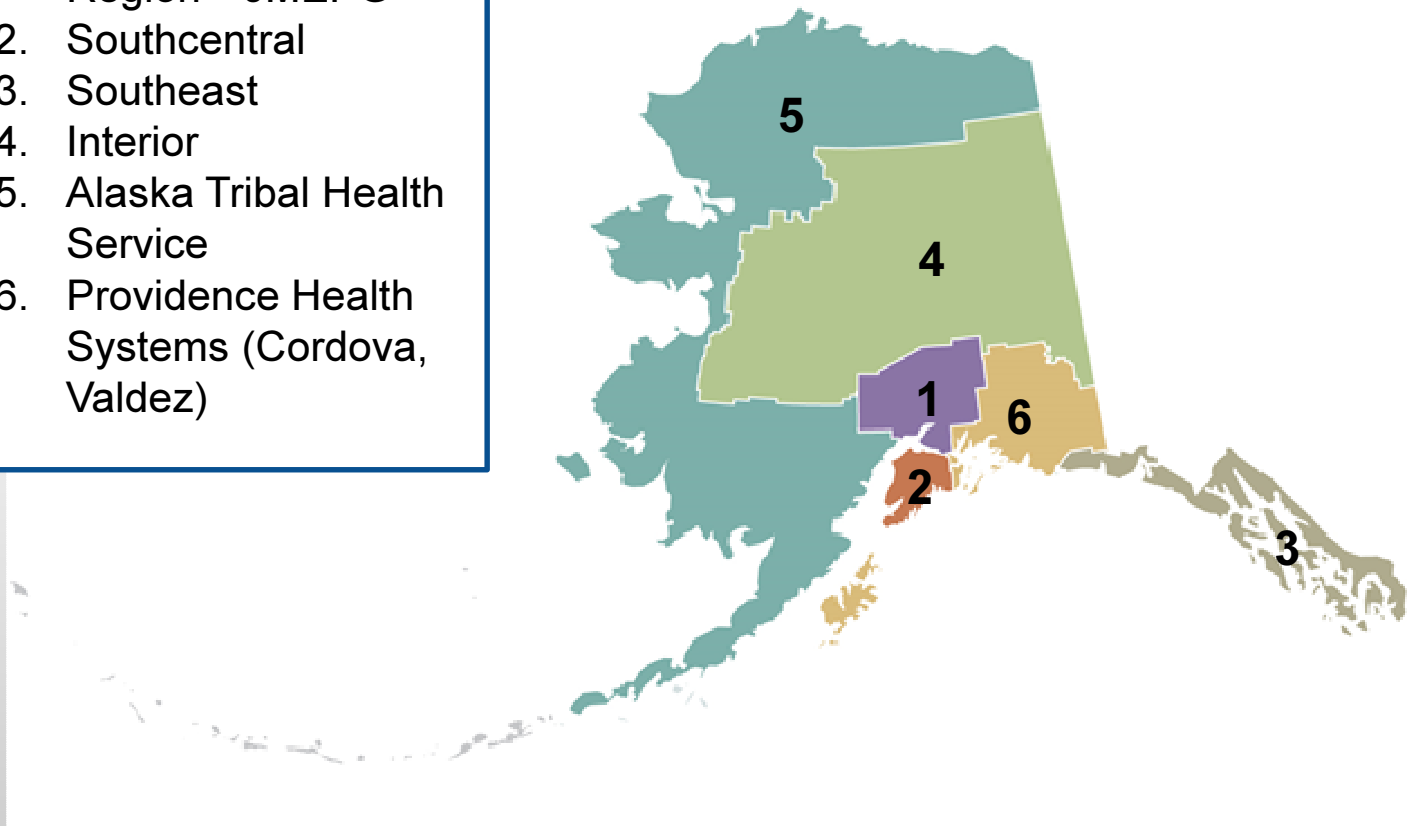
- Appeared as requirement in ASPR Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) 5 year cooperative agreement in 2012

- Intent of Regional Coalitions
 - Regional Plan for Healthcare Emergency Response
 - Resource Sharing
 - Communication/Situational Awareness
 - Coordinated Regional Exercises
 - Efficient Local Response to Medical Disasters



COALITION REGIONS IN ALASKA

1. Anchorage/Mat-Su Region—JMEPG
2. Southcentral
3. Southeast
4. Interior
5. Alaska Tribal Health Service
6. Providence Health Systems (Cordova, Valdez)





APPLICATION OF COALITION MODEL IN ALASKA

- 6 Regions identified: JMEPG, Southcentral, Southeast, Interior, Alaska Tribal Health Service, Providence Health Systems

- 2012-2014 Section of Emergency Programs and hospitals worked to meet regional coalition requirements

- 2014-Section of Emergency Programs:
 - Reviewed feedback from hospitals and observations
 - Assessed successes and challenges



REGIONAL COALITIONS IN ALASKA— CHALLENGES

- Resource Sharing:
 - Geographical isolation
 - Limited resources available at facilities
 - Resource requests quickly move to State
 - Focus on forward patient movement

- Performance Measure Management
 - Regional response plan
 - Coordinated regional exercise



CHALLENGES LEAD TO CHANGE

- Maximize resources
 - Consolidate into one Statewide Healthcare Coalition
 - SEP increases deployable resource cache
 - SEP Warehouse Manager supports acquisition, maintenance, quick deployment

- Decrease reporting burden

- Meet grant performance measures
 - Combine preparedness activities of healthcare facilities



STATEWIDE HEALTHCARE COALITION: PURPOSE

- Planning, organizing, equipping and training coalition members to effectively prepare for and respond to disasters
- Provide forum for healthcare entities statewide to share effective approaches to disaster preparedness and response, discuss challenges, and explore possible mitigation strategies
- Provide information regarding State preparedness, response, and recovery efforts
- Maintain visibility of deployable State resources to support health and medical emergency response, and serve as a setting to gather feedback on these resources



MEMBERSHIP

- Hospitals
- Skilled Nursing Facilities
- Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities
- Local Health Department
- Emergency Medical Services—Ground and Air
- Emergency Management Agencies
- Other Participants
 - Additional organizations invited to trainings, Hale Borealis Forum, etc.



MEMBER ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- One face-to-face meeting per year
- Attendance at telephonic coalition meetings
 - Frequency of meetings = Quarterly
- Share information regarding preparedness and response activities
 - Lessons learned
 - Successes
 - Innovative practices
- Bring coalition information back to healthcare facilities
 - Integrate into facility preparedness and response efforts



GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

- Coordinated by the State of Alaska, Section of Emergency Programs

- Consists of two defined positions
 - State Coordinator
 - Secretary



STATE COORDINATOR

- Set overall strategic plan for Coalition in consultation with Coalition membership
- Set the agenda for each meeting
- Provide teleconference capability
- Send meeting invitation to members
- Facilitate meeting
- Represent State of Alaska at Coalition meetings
- Maintain roster of contact information
- Coordinate one face-to-face meeting per year



SECRETARY

- Record notes and distribute them to all coalition members
- Works with State Coordinator regarding all aspects of Coalition tasks when necessary
- Decided on volunteer basis or through designated rotation of members



FEEDBACK

What do you want from a Statewide
Healthcare Coalition?





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