



REGIONAL HEALTH CARE COALITION GUIDE 2022

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INTRODUCTION

This guide was developed by the Florida Association of Community Health Centers (FACHC) to highlight opportunities for Community Health Centers (CHCs) to integrate with their regional Health Care Coalitions and provide a summary of HCC activities, funding opportunities, and educational offerings. FACHC aims to enhance awareness of HCCs and promote active Health Center participation in coalition meetings, trainings, and exercises statewide.

About Florida's Health Care Coalitions

The development and sustainment of Health Care Coalitions (HCCs) is a federal initiative and a requirement of the Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) Cooperative Agreement funded by the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR). The purpose of HCCs is to ensure that local providers and other health care partners plan collaboratively for the risks facing the health care community and identify available local resources.

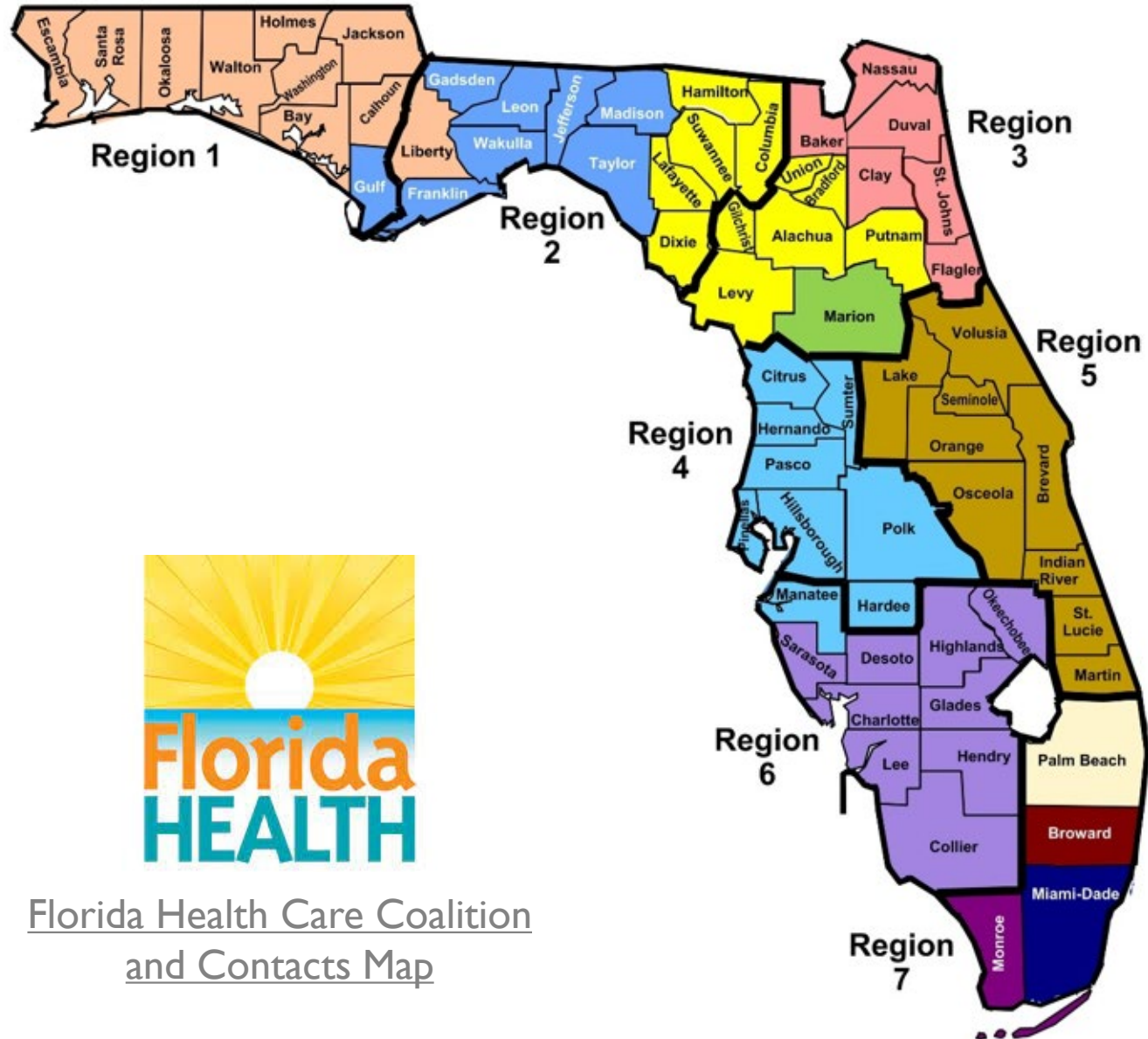
Community Health Centers as Regional Coalition Members

This year's guide shines a spotlight on how coalition membership has supported Health Center preparedness and response efforts. These stories exemplify the need for ongoing Health Center engagement with their regional coalitions. FACHC will continue to work with Health Centers to increase active participation in coalition activities, provide support for project funding applications, and foster collaboration to identify and meet resource needs.

FLORIDA'S HEALTH CARE COALITION REGIONS

Coalition areas are determined by Regional Domestic Security Task Force (RDSTF) Regions.

There are a total of twelve (12) coalitions operating across the seven (7) regions identified.



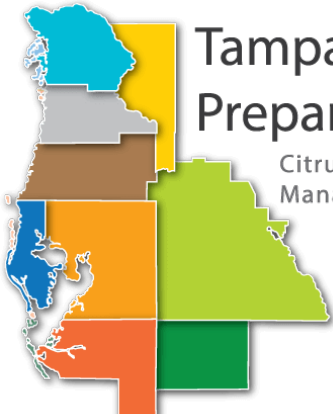
Florida Health Care Coalition and Contacts Map

REGION 2 MEMBER SPOTLIGHT BOND COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

Bond Community Health Center has been in service to their community for more than 30 years, providing a patient-centered approach to quality primary and preventive healthcare services for residents of Leon, Gadsden, Wakulla, Jefferson, Taylor, Franklin, Liberty and Madison counties.

Their regional coalition was able to deploy a 'mobile mini unit' to their site which allowed them to carry out COVID-19 testing and vaccination campaigns without disrupting patient services inside the center. Bond continues to host regular community-based events to lower the healthcare barrier and improve accessibility for vulnerable patient populations.





Tampa Bay Health & Medical Preparedness Coalition

Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk & Sumter Counties

REGION 4 MEMBER SPOTLIGHT EVARA HEALTH

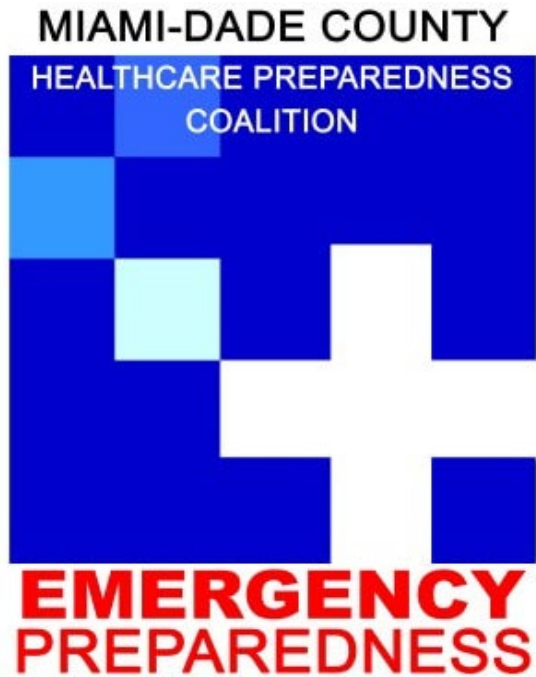
Evara Health provides strategically-targeted services to underserved, low-income, uninsured, and underinsured communities across 13 locations in Pinellas County. When they needed a solution to support drive through community testing during the COVID-19 pandemic, the coalition was able to provide an air-conditioned shelter that Health Center staff could work out of more comfortably. The coalition was responsive and extremely helpful in delivering and setting up the resources needed to provide these critical services.

“We’re fortunate to have a great partnership with our local coalition. Through their support, we were able to provide our staff a safe and comfortable workspace as they provided thousands of much needed testing and vaccinations to the communities we serve.”

-Elodie Dorso, CEO



REGION 7 (MIAMI-DADE COUNTY) MEMBER SPOTLIGHT CAMILLUS HEALTH CONCERN



Camillus Health Concern has been leveraging the power of community partnerships since 1984; providing comprehensive affordable healthcare to those most vulnerable in Miami-Dade County including those experiencing homelessness. This Health Center joined the Miami Dade County Healthcare Preparedness Coalition (MDCHPC) in 2021 and has benefitted from their connections and resources.

During the spike of COVID-19 cases due to the Delta Variant, the Health Center was able to secure Rapid Tests and Home Kits through MDCHPC. With funding awarded by MDCHPC, the Health Center purchased (4) MobilTEK devices from Care on Location. These devices are rugged, reliable, and easy to deploy telemedicine examination kits designed to create a seamless patient telehealth visit for the presenter and the provider. The Health Center plans to leverage these devices to augment community outreach/ street medicine efforts and can share them with other MDHPC members to assist in the recovery efforts after an emergency/ disaster.

REGION I – EMERALD COAST HEALTH CARE COALITION



The Emerald Coast Healthcare Coalition (ECHCC) covers Region I which includes 10 counties in Northwest Florida. The Coalition provides training, exercises and preparedness activities. ECHCC welcomes all agencies to join for free.

For more information, visit:

<https://emeraldcoasthcc.org/>



The coalition meets quarterly.



Training Topics include Incident Command System, Decontamination, position specific training, and fit testing as well as exercises.



Members can apply for project funding annually to address identified gaps.



The regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) is available to members by request.



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COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS IN REGION I

Community Health Northwest Florida

Pancare

North Florida Medical Centers

Walton Community Health Center (FDOH)

REGION 2 – BIG BEND HEALTH CARE COALITION



The Big Bend Health Care Coalition (BBHCC) serves Region 2, one of the most rural regions in the state of Florida. The largest community served by BBHCC is the Tallahassee area.

For more information, visit:
<https://www.bigbendhcc.org/>



The coalition meets quarterly.



Offerings include various seminars, workshops, and tabletop exercises, and have focused on Active Shooter, Cybersecurity, Hurricane, and Continuity of Operations



Each year the BBHCC offers competitive funding for coalition members.



The regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) is available [online](#).



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COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS IN REGION 2

Bond Community Health Center

Pancare

Neighborhood Medical Center

North Florida Medical Centers

REGION 3- HEALTHCARE COALITION ALLIANCE (NORTHEAST)



The NCFHCC serves 6 counties in north Florida. Members receive regular newsletters, have opportunities to attend planning workshops, trainings and exercises and are provided situational awareness during emergencies and disasters. The Coalition also works with members to fill equipment gaps to increase the capabilities of the regional healthcare system.

For more information, visit:
www.FLRegion3HCC.org



The coalition meets quarterly; executive committee meets monthly.



Offerings include virtual and in-person workshops, trainings and tabletop exercises on topics such as Incident Command, various medical surge events, plan development and many others.



Annual, competitive application process for members to purchase equipment that will fill a gap and increase the regional response capability.



The regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) is available [online](#).



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REGION 3- HEALTHCARE COALITION ALLIANCE (NORTH CENTRAL)



The NCFHCC serves 11 counties in north Florida. Members receive regular newsletters, have opportunities to attend planning workshops, trainings and exercises and are provided situational awareness during emergencies and disasters. The Coalition also works with members to fill equipment gaps to increase the capabilities of the regional healthcare system.

For more information, visit:
www.FLRegion3HCC.org



The coalition meets quarterly.



Offerings include virtual and in-person workshops, trainings and tabletop exercises on topics such as Incident Command, various medical surge events, plan development and many others.



Annual, competitive application process for members to purchase equipment that will fill a gap and increase the regional response capability.



The regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) is available [online](#).



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REGION 3- HEALTHCARE COALITION ALLIANCE (CHAMP)



As one of the first healthcare coalitions in Florida, the Marion County Coalition for Health and Medical Preparedness (CHAMP) is a collective, independent voice of individuals and public, private, professional and non-profit organizations, services, citizen groups and businesses, working together in emergency preparedness for all-hazards that impact the health and medical systems within Marion County.

For more information, visit:
www.FLRegion3HCC.org



The coalition meets quarterly.



Training opportunities include an annual Healthcare Summit as well as online and in-person sessions on command, surge operations, all hazards exercises and more.



CHAMP members are provided an opportunity annually to submit project requests for training, equipment and other activities.



The regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) is available to members by request.



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COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS IN REGION 3



Northeast Coalition:

- Aza Health
- Agape Family Health
- Sulzbacher Center

North Central Coalition:

- Aza Health
- Palms Medical Group
- North Florida Medical Centers
- New River Health (FDOH)

CHAMP:

- Heart of Florida
- Langley Health Services

REGION 4- TAMPA BAY HEALTH AND MEDICAL PREPAREDNESS COALITION



The Tampa Bay Health and Medical Preparedness Coalition (Tampa Bay HMPC) is a collaborative network of healthcare organizations, and their respective public and private sector response partners, that serve as a multi-agency coordinating group to enhance healthcare system preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation activities.

For more information, visit:

www.tampabayhmpc.org
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The coalition meets by County, monthly or bi-monthly. See [calendar](#).



Trainings include Incident Command, Emergency Response, Mental Health First Aid, Respiratory Protection, Stop the Bleed, etc. All trainings are listed on the coalition website (see link above).



Annual project preparedness funding available to MOA members.



The regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) is available to members by request.



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COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS IN REGION 4

Central Florida
Health Care

Evara Health

Langley Health
Services

Metro Inclusive
Health

MCR Health

Premier
Healthcare
Group

Suncoast
Community
Health Centers

Tampa Family
Health Centers

REGION 5- CENTRAL FLORIDA DISASTER MEDICAL COALITION



The CFDMC serves healthcare and emergency response partners in Brevard, Indian River, Lake, Martin, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, St. Lucie and Volusia Counties. We provide regional plans and planning templates, trainings, exercise opportunities, and opportunities to network with your peers and other disciplines..

For more information, visit:
www.centralfladisaster.org/



The coalition meets quarterly.



Training offerings include Incident Command System, Continuity of Operations Planning, Mental Health First Aid, emergency healthcare certification courses, and other discipline specific trainings.



The coalition does not have special project funding.



The regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) is available [online](#).



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COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS IN REGION 5

Aza Health

Brevard Health
Alliance

Community
Health Centers,
Inc.

Family Health
Source

Florida
Community
Health Centers

Orange Blossom
Family Health

Osceola
Community
Health Services

Treasure Coast
Community
Health True
Health

Whole Family
Health Centers

REGION 6- SOUTHWEST FLORIDA HEALTHCARE COALITION



The SWFLLHCC encompasses nine counties: Sarasota, Charlotte, Lee, Collier, Hendry, Okeechobee, Desoto, Glades and Highlands. The Southwest Florida Healthcare Coalition has recently merged its chapters into one group with multiple task forces to address key issues.

For more information, visit:

www.hpcswf.com/health-planning/disaster-planning-coalition
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The coalition meets bi-monthly.



Training offerings include Various Exercises, QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) Suicide Prevention Training & Certified Healthcare Emergency Professional (CHEP) training.



Funding opportunities are targeted to address gaps identified by the coalition task forces.



The regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) is available [online](#).



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COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS IN REGION 6

Centerplace
Health

Central Florida
Health Care

Family Health
Centers of
Southwest Florida

Florida
Community
Health Centers

Healthcare
Network of
Southwest Florida

Lee Health

MCR Health

REGION 7- PALM BEACH COUNTY HEALTHCARE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COALITION



HERC provides consultation and training to healthcare organizations and coalitions to assist with their emergency preparedness initiatives. Our services include a unique combination of coalition-building, training, disaster drills, and other value-added services through the sharing of best practices.

For more information, visit:

www.pbcms.org/healthcare-emergency-response-coalition



The coalition meets monthly.



Key activities include Joint Hazardous Vulnerability Analysis, HSEEP Compliant Exercises, Multidisciplinary Training, and more.



Community Partners Membership (\$200/year) includes various training and exercise opportunities.



The regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) is available to members.



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REGION 7- BROWARD COUNTY HEALTHCARE COALITION



The Broward County Healthcare Coalition facilitates healthcare, emergency response, and other partners to work collaboratively on healthcare preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation within the county. We strive to prepare our partners adequately for all hazards that may affect Broward County.

For more information, visit:
<http://www.bchconline.com/>



The coalition meets monthly.



Training and education opportunities are provided to coalition members to assist with emergency preparedness and response. Member needs set training and exercise focus areas.



Members can apply for project funding annually to address identified gaps.

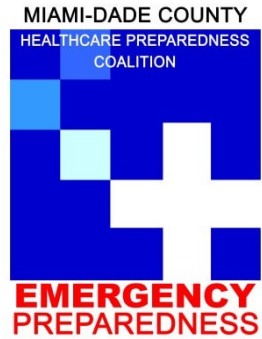


The regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) is available to members upon request.



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REGION 7- MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HEALTHCARE PREPAREDNESS COALITION



The MDCHPC is a dynamic coalition with representation from a variety of healthcare partners. We offer a variety of activities throughout the year to train, prepare, and engage our local partners.

For more information, visit:

<https://www.mdchpc.org/>



General member and committee meetings bi-monthly; open to all.



Training offerings include Coalition Surge Tool Exercise, a secondary Tabletop Exercise, and Annual Symposium which offers variety of training options. Member needs set training and exercise focus areas.



Project proposal period opens annually; amounts vary by year and all active members are welcome to apply.



The regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) is available to members upon request.



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REGION 7- KEYS HEALTH READY COALITION



Keys Health Ready is the Healthcare Preparedness coalition in Monroe County, providing training, local project funding and community education.

For more information, visit:
<http://keyshrc.org/contact-us/>



The coalition meets bi-monthly.



Training offerings include CPR/First AID, Continuity of Operations Cybersecurity, Psychological First Aid, Infectious Disease and exercises.



All project applications for funding must align with Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) priorities. First come, first accepted.



The regional HVA is available to members upon request.



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COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS IN REGION 7

Palm Beach

- Florida Community Health Centers
- Foundcare
- Genesis Community Health
- Health Care District Palm Beach County (Brumback)

Broward

- Broward Community Health Centers
- North Broward Hospital District
- Care Resource
- Citrus Health Network

Miami-Dade

- Banyan Health
- Borinquen Medical Centers
- Camillus Health Concern
- Care Resource
- Citrus Health Network
- Community Health of South Florida
- Center for Child and Family Enrichment
- Empower U
- Jessie Trice Community Health System
- Miami Beach Community Health Center

Keys

- Community Health of South Florida
- Rural Health Network of Monroe County

CLOSING

Florida's Community Health Centers are critical safety-net providers and key partners for building community-wide resilience. Through ongoing integration with regional coalitions and engagement in member activities, CHCs are well-positioned to build capabilities and better define their response and recovery roles. HCCs provide robust training and exercise programs as well as resources and information to support situational awareness. Active coalition membership also assists with meeting Health Center requirements such as the [CMS Emergency Preparedness Rule](#).

For more support or information on coalition integration, or to request an introduction to the contacts in your regions, please contact FACHC's Director of Emergency Management Programs, Gianna Van Winkle at gianna@fachc.org

