Disaster Preparedness – Realities, Challenges and Opportunities

Children’s Hospital Association

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Our Mission

We advance children’s health, through the quality, cost and delivery of care with our children’s hospitals.
Who we are

Member organization of the nation’s children’s hospitals

225 Members as of January 1, 2013
Member engagement and collaboration

• Public policy and advocacy
• Data, research and analytics
• Peer networking and knowledge exchange
• Clinical quality and operational improvement
• Purchasing and cost containment initiatives
Children’s hospitals’ priorities – 2013

Day-to-day issues often trump systemic planning
• Patient safety
• Medicaid
• Work force – subspecialist recruitment, training
• Value – competitiveness on quality and cost of care
• Market strategy
• Organizational survival!
Are children’s hospitals prepared?

Report Preparedness Plan

Disaster Response Task Force
2011 Survey Responses
n = 45

Pediatric Committee
Dedicated Budget

Reported Operating Resources

100%
75%
50%
25%

Locale
Local
State
National
International
Challenges to advancing preparedness

• Only a part of the system
• “Limited” resources
  – Internally – prioritization…
  – Externally – prioritization!
• Reimbursement systems pay for intervention vs. prevention / preparation
• Population health, accountable care are in nascent stages of development
• Hopeful optimism, wishful thinking
Potential drivers of change

• Role of children’s hospitals in the system of care – expanding accountability, influence, and control along the care continuum

• External incentives and expectations
  – Reimbursement
  – Grants
  – Regulations, certifications and/or standards

• Model of collaboration

• Realities of today’s world – SS Sandy, Sandy Hook, Boston, Moore….next?
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