



DISASTER RESPONSE COLLABORATIVE

TOP 10 REASONS TO JOIN THE DRC

Whether you are leveraging the pediatric disaster preparedness infrastructure work completed during the Disaster Networking Collaborative, interested in improving your children's hospital disaster response capacity, or a leader in the field, the Disaster Response Collaborative (DRC) is a place for your children's hospital to grow. The DRC can help improve pediatric disaster response capacity and capability at your hospital.

Below are the top 10 reasons your children's hospital should join the DRC:

- 1. Network:** Exchange strategies and connect with other children's hospitals and disaster management experts across the country. Work collaboratively with healthcare coalitions and community partners.
- 2. Engage:** Learn from others and share expertise and program models. Increase employee job satisfaction by providing employees with the tools and knowledge to respond efficiently in a disaster or pandemic.
- 3. Healthcare Resiliency:** Refine disaster planning and mobilize best practices while developing strategies to strengthen pediatric disaster management across states and regions.
- 4. Access:** Access tabletop exercises and drill templates to test disaster response, including a list of pediatric patients and pediatric scenarios to use in the activity.
- 5. Resources:** Access all resources from PPN and DRC, including those created and shared by other children's hospitals.
- 6. Improve Performance:** Benchmark performance of your hospital to improve quality, efficiency, and experience.
- 7. Overcome Disparities:** Examine the quality of care and incorporate a focus on the needs of the most vulnerable into response plans.
- 8. Skill Enhancement:** Expand abilities to use evidence-based strategies for pediatric disaster response improvement (continuing education credits for various professions offered).
- 9. Innovate:** Develop and implement new strategies and identify best practices to enhance performance.
- 10. Meet and/or Exceed Accreditation Standards:** Enhance your hospital's response capacity and capability - including demonstrating that you've met disaster preparation accreditation and other requirements to improve quality emergency care and outcomes for children.



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