

2013-2014

ASPR Funding Fact Sheet

WHAT is ASPR Funding?

- Funding is provided by the Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP), thru the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR), within the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services.
- Website: <http://www.hhs.gov/aspr/index.html>

The purpose of this funding is to promote and support the maintenance, refinement, and to the extent achievable, enhancement of the capacities and capabilities of healthcare systems, and for exercising and improving preparedness plans for all-hazards including pandemic influenza.

The award for 2013-2014 is a continuation of funding and marks year two (2) of a five year funding cycle with a strong focus on partnerships and coalition building and continues to address all hazards preparedness and whole community preparedness. The purpose of the 2012-2017 HPP-PHEP cooperative agreement is to provide technical assistance and resources that support state, local, territorial, and tribal public health departments and healthcare systems/organizations in demonstrating measurable and sustainable progress toward achieving public health and healthcare preparedness capabilities that promote prepared and resilient communities.

HPP cooperative agreement funds will be used to continue maintaining and refining medical surge capacity and capability at the state and local levels through associated planning, personnel, equipment, training, exercises, and healthcare coalition development. ASPR recognizes that maintenance and refinement of current capabilities and functions are critical for the sustainability of awardee preparedness efforts.

WHO is Eligible for Funding?

- Healthcare systems which are composed of hospitals and other healthcare facilities which are defined broadly as any combination of the following: outpatient facilities and centers (i.e., behavioral health, substance abuse, urgent care); inpatient facilities and centers (i.e., trauma, State and Federal veterans, long-term, children's, tribal); and other entities (i.e., poison control, emergency medical services, Community Health Centers, nursing, etc.).

WHEN is Funding Available?

- Annually. The Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) releases a funding opportunity announcement around March to the States, who then have until May 1 to submit the application back to HHS. Final award notices are distributed in late June or early July.
- The funding is provided to the Florida Department of Health by way of a cooperative agreement.

FUNDING RESTRICTIONS:

- Funds can not be used for the following: construction or major renovations; fund raising activities or political education and/or lobbying; research; backfilling costs for staff.
- Funds cannot be used to supplant the "cost of doing business" or purchase of supplies or materials that are used as a part of the facilities' routine operations.