

COVID-19 and the Health Supply Chain

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Why We Exist



Mission: Healthcare Ready leverages unique relationships with government, nonprofit and medical supply chains to build and enhance the resilience of communities before, during and after disasters.

Industry Call to Action

Hurricane Katrina



Lessons Learned

- Protecting public health after a disaster requires continued access to essential medicines
- Better coordination & communication between sectors was needed
- A forum for resolving issues in real-time was needed

Rx Response (now Healthcare Ready) was built as a critical new asset to help ensure the continued flow of medicine to patients during:

 Severe natural disaster
 Large-scale terrorist attack
 Pandemic or disease outbreak



Healthcare Ready's Focus during COVID-19



Supply Chain Coordination with end-to-end supply chain

- Policies and exemptions that impact movement
- State outreach to emergency management (private sector liaisons) on status of supply chain operations and current challenges

Government Coordination with federal government

- FEMA National Business Emergency Operations Center
- FEMA Supply Chain Task Force
- HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response

Healthcare Outreach to healthcare partners

- Patient coalitions and healthcare organizations focused on dispensing and direct patient care
- Pharmacies/pharmacists, dialysis coalitions, diabetes coalition



Current Operating Picture



Managing surge and strains in manufacturing Logistical changes – land, maritime, air

Distribution

- Continuity of Operations
- Planning for potential product delays
- Global and domestic logistics
- Workforce protection – staff and 3PLs
- Managing overordering and panic from facilities

- Continuity of Operations
- Supply chain continuity – product availability
- •Workforce protection
- Communication with patients
- •Plans for surge

Providers



Planning (or managing) surge; Ancillary care anticipating surge Uncertainty about preparedness actions (or unable to prepare)

Patients

- Concerns about family/individual preparedness plans
- Prescription medicine availability
- •Symptom monitoring – reporting to public health or healthcare facilities

- Continuity of OperationsSurge production
- of critical product
- Planning for potential increase in demand
- R&D of vaccines

Manufacturing



More product required
– global disruptions in
manufacturing

Current Concerns



Availability of ventilator and intubation meds

Availability of COVID-19 medicines and chronic care medicines

Duplication of hospital requests to feds, state, and companies

Visibility on possible future shortages

Use of the SNS

Impact of federal actions on supply availability

Balancing demands from states with facilities and federal requests

Upcoming hurricane season

Upcoming flu season



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