

Working together, CFDMC members accomplished amazing things in 2023!



The Central Florida Disaster Medical Coalition (CFDMC) is funded by the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Hospital Preparedness Program, through a contract with the Florida Department of Health. The CFDMC mission is to develop and promote healthcare emergency preparedness and response capabilities in the East Central Florida Domestic Security Task Force Region 5 (RDSTF Region 5), including the following nine counties: Brevard, Indian River, Lake, Martin, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, St. Lucie, and Volusia Counties. CFDMC will facilitate healthcare organizations and other partners in working together collaboratively to build, strengthen, and sustain a healthcare preparedness and response system within Central Florida.

Members: as of December 31, 2023, there are 2,415 individual CFDMC members representing 834 organizations (see [Member List](#)).

Budget & Expenditures:



2023 Leader of the Year Alan Harris



Alan was honored for his strong leadership, advocacy and support of the Coalition as a Board member, in exercises and in equipment acquisition,

2023 Member of the Year Michelle Rud



Michelle was honored for her dedication to healthcare and emergency management preparedness.

Other Member of the Year nominees were Steven Lerner, Amanda Nixon, and Shawn Treloar

It's All About Collaboration!

Healthcare and emergency response experts from across the region work together to improve regional preparedness and response, including:

CFDMC Executive Committee & Board of Directors: The Executive Committee addresses urgent operational issues and plans Board and member meetings. The CFDMC Board of Directors is comprised of decision makers from across the healthcare and emergency response stakeholder groups. They set strategy, allocate funding and approve regional plans. See <https://www.centralfladisaster.org/directors>

Regional Trauma Advisory Board & Committees: The Region 5 Trauma Advisory Board Executive, Clinical Leadership, Preparedness and System Support Committees meet bi-monthly to improve trauma care, share best practices in injury prevention, and plan for mass casualty incidents. See <https://www.centralfladisaster.org/trauma>

EID Collaborative: This workgroup updates the regional infectious disease annex and provides guidance and equipment in outbreaks. See <https://www.centralfladisaster.org/teams>

Climate Change Workgroup: The climate change workgroup assessed the impacts of climate change on healthcare and developed a compendium of climate change resources for healthcare and response partners. See <https://www.centralfladisaster.org/climatechange>

EMResource Steering Committee: Hospitals, EMS, and emergency management from across the region are developing best practice guidelines and training videos. See [JUVARE PILOT | cfdmc \(centralfladisaster.org\)](https://www.centralfladisaster.org/teams)

Pediatrics & Family Reunification Workgroups: Experts in both pediatrics and family reunification worked together to plan a pediatric surge tabletop with a focus on family reunification. Following the exercise, they developed a family reunification tabletop exercise design which will be piloted in Seminole County and then held across the region in 2024.

Alternate Care Site/Mass Casualty Cache Assessment & Maintenance Workgroup: The cache owners participated in an assessment of each cache and are working to standardize the caches and make recommendations for sustainment.

Free Standing Emergency Department (FSED) Workgroup: Hospitals subject matter experts are working to develop best practice guidelines to better prepare the FSEDs for mass casualty incidents.

2023 Coalition Highlights

- ▶ ASPR Site Visit (identified as one of best coalitions in the nation)
- ▶ Passed Federal & State Audits (no findings)
- ▶ Quarterly Member Meetings & Annual Conference. See [MEETING SUMMARIES | cfdmc \(centralfladisaster.org\)](https://www.centralfladisaster.org/teams)
- ▶ Developed new Radiation Surge Annex & Crisis Standards of Care Annex and updated Preparedness and Response Plans and all annexes. See <https://www.centralfladisaster.org/resources>
- ▶ Provided free trainings to members (including Hospital Incident Command System, L-952/Public Information Officer, L-984/Strike Team Leader, Certified Healthcare Emergency Professional, Continuity of Operations Planning, Comprehensive Emergency Management Planning, Advanced Hazmat Life Support for Radiological Incidents, and mental wellness/resiliency trainings)
- ▶ Equipped new hospitals and FSEDs, and maintained all hospitals at minimum readiness standards
- ▶ Added evacuation equipment cache
- ▶ February 24th Pediatric Tabletop Exercise
- ▶ April 20th Full Scale Medical Surge Exercise (54 hospitals, 100 partner agencies, 2,000 volunteer victims)
- ▶ May 26th Statewide Radiation Surge Tabletop
- ▶ Quarterly Healthcare Drills (January Great Tornado Drill, May Generator Drill, September Active Shooter Drill, December Mutual Aid Drill)
- ▶ The Regional Medical Assistance Team supported the Sanford Air Show in November 2023
- ▶ The Coalition facilitated regional situational awareness during Hurricane Idalia.