



**Mountain Area Healthcare  
Preparedness Coalition**

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## **BYLAWS**

### NAME

This coalition shall be known as the Mountain Area Healthcare Preparedness Coalition (MAHPC).

### MISSION

The mission of the Mountain Area Healthcare Preparedness Coalition (MAHPC) is to facilitate coordination and cooperation throughout the MAHPC region to ensure partners have the capability and capacity to mitigate against, prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergent health and community events, incidents, and disasters.

### PURPOSE

1. To coordinate the emergency preparedness efforts of stakeholders across the region to enhance the likelihood of an effective and efficient response during an event, incident, or disaster.
2. To coordinate and support healthcare community response during an event, incident, or disaster.
3. Foster communication and collaboration between local, regional, and state partners for all hazards planning and response.
4. Ensure overall readiness through the coordination of region wide all hazards training and exercises.
5. Promote preparedness in the healthcare community through use of efficient and effective standardized practices.
6. Integrate regional medical and healthcare capabilities with other partner resources.
7. Develop and manage the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Healthcare Preparedness Program (HPP) grant in a fiscally prudent manner.
8. Maintain resources and assets of the MAHPC and MATRAC SMAT II.

## MEMBERSHIP

**Section A.** Membership to the Mountain Area Healthcare Preparedness Coalition is based on the following:

1. Essential Partners: Hospitals and other healthcare providers, EMS Systems, Public Health, Disaster Medical Director, Long Term Care facilities, Emergency Management Agencies, Public Safety, mental and behavioral health providers, private entities associated with healthcare, specialty service providers, support service providers, primary care providers, community health centers, VOADs, federal entities and MAHPC Coordinator (Coordinator) based in the region;
2. Law enforcement, fire departments, schools, social services, public works, transportation services, etc,;
3. Regional agencies who would assist in a medical and health response to a disaster are invited to participate as non-voting members. This would include behavioral health agencies, Red Cross, Urban Search and Rescue, or any volunteer agencies or schools and colleges;
4. Healthcare and Emergency Management (EM) planning regions and associations that support healthcare preparedness. (i.e. NC EM Domestic Preparedness Regions [DPR], Public Health Preparedness & Response Regional Representatives, NC Association of EMS Administrators, NC Hospital Association, NC Emergency Management Association, NC Association - Long Term Care, NC Assisted Living Association, NC Law Enforcement Officers' Association, etc.)
5. Any state agency (i.e. NC Department of Public Safety – Emergency Management, NC Office of EMS, NC Hospital Association, NC Public Health, NC Dept. Ag., NC National Guard) who would assist in the planning or response may be included as non-voting members.

Each entity shall designate a primary and secondary representative.

## **Section B.** Stakeholder Responsibilities

1. Stakeholders shall designate a primary and secondary representative and update this information annually with the MAHPC Coordinator.
2. Provide representation at coalition meetings and activities.
3. Participate in collaborative regional planning efforts.
4. Participate in the development of regional healthcare capabilities, mutual aid agreements, and collaborative emergency response plans.
5. Participate in regional information sharing to include best practices, emerging trends, and situational awareness.
6. Contribute to meeting coalition priorities, goals, and contractual deliverables.
7. Respond to events, incidents, and disasters in collaboration with other stakeholders, as requested.
8. Participate in sub-committees and workgroups as requested and organized by the MAHPC.

Section C. The following Hospitals, EMS Systems, and Public Health are listed for MAHPC Region

County	Hospital	EMS	Public Health
Avery			
Buncombe			
Cherokee			
Clay			
EBCI			
Graham			
Haywood			
Henderson			
Jackson			
Macon			
Madison			
McDowell			
Mitchell			
Polk			
Rutherford			
Swain			
Transylvania			
Yancey			

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