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Texas Responds to Hurricane Harvey

Texas hospitals, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) and the Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF) all play a role in responding to the recent tragedy. Despite the damage from historic rainfall, loss of life has been minimized due to the brave responders who train for just such an emergency.

Disasters such as Hurricane Harvey highlight the importance of a well-funded trauma and emergency healthcare system. State and federal funds have been under attack over the past few years and lawmakers must prioritize the system in order to stay prepared for future disasters. Read on to learn more about the role of our emergency healthcare system in disaster planning and response.



CBRAC Works 24 Hours a Day to Coordinate Operations

The Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council worked 24/7 for the past week to assist first responders and medical personnel responding to Hurricane Harvey.

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North Texas First Responders Head South

The North Central Texas Trauma Service Area Regional Advisory Council (NCTTRAC) is working with first responders to coordinate local response efforts to Hurricane Harvey.

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Proposed Cuts to HPP Funds Would Harm Disaster Response

Five patients were moved from Rockport and Aransas Pass in the hours before the storm, likely saving the patients' lives when the hurricane roared ashore there as a category 4.

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NICU Babies Flown from Path of Hurricane Harvey

Flight crews evacuated medically fragile newborns from Driscoll Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi to Cook Children's.

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Hospitals Operate Through Storm

Texas hospitals continued to see patients and provide care throughout the storm, while coordinating to provide timely transfers as needed.

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