Healthcare Ready releases 2023 impact report to highlight most successful year

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WASHINGTON (April 3, 2024) – Healthcare Ready — the nonprofit organization established to help strengthen the U.S. healthcare system and assist communities in planning for, responding to, and recovering from disasters and disease pandemics — has released its 2023 impact report “How Healthcare Ready is Turning Information into Action.” The impact report highlight’s Healthcare Ready’s most successful year to date showcasing the organization’s efforts to coalesce resources across partners and geographies and dedication to advance healthcare accessibility for all Americans.

- Nearly 80,000 views of Healthcare Ready’s signature situation reports — detailed information gathered across sectors on current and breaking news topics helping governments, public health, healthcare, emergency management, and business leaders to prepare for and respond to disasters. Recent situation reports include analysis of potential impacts from: rising drug shortages, pending pharmacy closures, global supply route disruptions and their connections to U.S. healthcare supply chains, and more. Anyone may sign up for Healthcare Ready’s free situation reports here and explore archived reports on the Alert Hub.

- From situation reports to the Pediatric Hospital Bed Utilization Map - more than 30,000 people relied on Healthcare Ready’s pediatric resources last year during the rise of respiratory viruses and shortage of RSV vaccines for infants and the tripledemic.

- 700 community health centers have used the ARCHER initiative – with more than 60,000 views of emergency preparedness trainings this initiative strengthens local partnerships for crisis response. Alongside the ARCHER initiative there has been capacity-building for community health centers across 39 states and Puerto Rico. Healthcare Ready’s Restoring the Healthcare Workforce for Equity Initiative launched in 2023 with the overarching goal to create and amplify resources for restoring the healthcare workforce in community health centers and free and charitable clinics.

- Additional highlights from Healthcare Ready’s 2023 Impact Report include the expansion of RxOpen.org, an online map that when activated, displays, the status of pharmacies and other health facilities in disaster areas. In 2024, the organization will extend coverage to encompass more types of healthcare facilities.

Healthcare Ready’s 2023 Impact Report highlights the following members for their support:
Cencora, Biotechnology Innovation Organization, National Association of Chain Drug Stores, Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, Healthcare Distribution Alliance, Advanced Medical Technology, and Cardinal Health for their support.
With continued support Healthcare Ready can continue their work in 2024 with these upcoming projects:

- Release and distribution of findings from the RHWE initiative emphasizing strategies for workplace leaders, policymakers, and decision makers to better support healthcare workers working in medically underserved communities.
- State-Managed Medication Stockpiling a landscape assessment of medication stockpiling practices and efforts across the U.S.
- RxOpen.org which provides information on the operating status of healthcare facilities in areas impacted by a disaster, is getting an upgrade to RxOpen 3.0

About Healthcare Ready
Healthcare Ready is a nonprofit organization that serves as a public-private nexus to prevent patient care disruptions amid crises. We do this by forging partnerships and serving as the linkage point between the healthcare supply chain and government. By working with supply chain stakeholders, emergency management, patient advocacy groups, and community-based organizations, we help safeguard patients before, during, and after crises by leveraging our core capabilities. For more information, visit healthcareready.org or on Twitter @HC_Ready.

Special note to journalists: Healthcare Ready’s associate director of research and policy Angie Im is available for comment. Please contact Laura Perillo to request an interview at laura@shoestringagency.org or 908-406-3413 (call or text). Sign up here for future situation reports from Healthcare Ready.

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