

HCC HVA 2024-2025

What is a Hazard Vulnerability Assessment?

A Hazard Vulnerability Assessment (HVA) is a systematic approach to identifying hazards of risks that are most likely to have an impact on your healthcare facility and the surrounding community. This can include the demand for the facility to provide services or its ability to provide those services. HVA tools will put each hazard in perspective using categories such as probability, human impact, property and business impact and mitigation strategies. HVA's are evolving documents. Healthcare facilities conduct and/or annually review their HVA. The process should involve community partners, at a minimum the County Emergency Management Agency (EMA).

Purpose of the HVA:

Drive the focus of your Emergency Preparedness Program, plan development and updating and training for your organization

Goals of the Healthcare Coalition (HCC) HVA:

- assess and rank potential HCC threats or hazards,
- identify any potential HCC or system wide vulnerabilities or gaps,
- promote implementation of hazard mitigation strategies and plans,
- develop/update the HCC 5-year training and exercise plan,
- promote information sharing across the HCC about best practices related to threat preparedness.

How to conduct the HVA:

1. Assemble a multidisciplinary team – no silos – minimum of EMA.
2. Choose a tool and list out different hazards.
3. As a team, discuss the impacts and current mitigation of each hazard.
4. Document in the chosen tool.
5. Review and rank hazards using the data from the tool.
6. Discuss how your agency plans to address the identified hazards.

Tool used to complete your agency HVA: SA1A Data, HHS emPOWER Program

List your agency's top 10 hazard rankings based off of your last HVA:

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| 1. Temperature Extremes | 6. Drought |
| 2. Severe Weather | 7. Technology/Utility/Communication failures |
| 3. Tornado | 8. Fires |
| 4. Air Quality | 9. Flooding (Flash and Riverine) |
| 5. Seasonal Influenza | 10. Active Shooter |

Date of Completion of Agency HVA: 7/30/25