Why Did NDHI Undertake This Work?

• While started before COVID, want to highlight lessons learned from the response to the COVID-19 crisis

• Identify innovations that can be maintained or strengthened

• Develop recommendations for how the private and public sectors can better collaborate to prepare and respond to the next emergency
  • Compiled recommendations through interviews and meetings with private and public sector experts, literature review, and large national summit.
How Does This Effort Differ from Others?

• Unique focus on private-public coordination and collaboration
• Developing recommendations for broad spectrum of disasters
• Focused on recommendations with realistic potential for implementation in short and long term
Strengthen Private-Public Coordination and Collaboration

Successfully responding to COVID-19 required significant public-private collaboration and within-industry partnerships.

- Enact waivers that guarantee adequate legal protections for private sector coordination during emergencies.
- Establish mechanisms that allow convening of senior decisionmakers from private sector organizations across the health care system to quickly coordinate responses.
- Clearly define the roles and responsibilities of federal and state regulatory agencies and establish improved coordination and communication channels between public and private sectors.
Cross-Cutting Principles and Recommendations

Harmonize Conflicting Requirements During Emergencies to Improve Health Care Mobility and Surge Capacity

Broad agreement that regulatory barriers and other administrative policies should be amended or waived during times of emergencies.

• Drawing on stakeholder engagement channels, private sector leaders and relevant federal and state agencies should review the effectiveness of regulatory waivers and modifications during emergencies and identify areas for further improvement.

• The Congress and state legislatures should update disaster response legislation to provide for waivers that grant needed flexibility more quickly during emergencies, such as those allowing for licensure portability, greater telehealth accessibility, improved communication and coordination with health systems and public health organizations, and quicker access to PPE stockpiles.
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• *Improve Equity and Address Disparities in Access and Outcomes*: COVID-19 disproportionately affected vulnerable and minority populations, reinforcing the need to monitor equity and access when building future preparedness and response plans and involve perspectives from these diverse communities.

• *Increase Transparency as Backbone of Emergency Management*: Delivering supplies and human capital requires effective, transparent data and technology; regional dashboards can support better transparency and responsiveness, as can transparency in research findings.

• *Leverage Innovations Developed During Pandemic*: The public and private sectors should identify processes and regulatory flexibilities needed to sustain critical pandemic innovations, accompanied by adequate funding and organizational commitments to strengthen capacity.
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Substantial Overlap between Recommendations and Administration COVID Strategy

- Recent executive order on supply chains
  - Plans highlight DPA for bolstering supply chains, creating US manufacturing base, supply chain surveillance and data systems

- Data tracking and transparency for key response indicators, vaccine data systems and transparency, data collection and reporting for high risk groups

- Establish COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force, surge health care workforce to support vaccinations (esp community health workers)