

VISION, MISSION AND VALUES



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Changes in Healthcare Supply Chain in 2020

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Background

- State of supply chain in the Health System prior to March, 2020
- Plans for using the Regional Operations Center building
- Pandemic supply levels from previous outbreaks
- Distribution levels
- What we learned from Puerto Rico

Immediate Responses to the Pandemic Outbreak

- CT was hit hard, especially in Fairfield County
- Rushed to shut down services and secure PPE
- While everyone else was home, we went to work!
- Lack of guidelines and knowledge of which PPE people should be using
- Mad-dash to secure beds, ventilators, and PPE

Immediate Responses to the Pandemic Outbreak

- Working with new vendors to source and produce PPE; many had never produced them before but did in response to their businesses otherwise shutting down
- Worked with donors from across the world
- Filled warehouse space with PPE and other supplies
 - Had to create an inventory system and a panel to review PPE that was inconsistent in quality
 - Also set up a donation service and method of validating those items
 - Prices were sky-high

Options for after the pandemic is finally over

- Potentially making our own PPE (contracting overseas)
- Potentially working with GPO to have a stockpile to draw from
- Shoring up agreements with vendors to keep extra on hand or allocated in case of emergency – we found out who our real partners are
- Securing additional warehouse space for pandemic supplies