



2019 Healthcare Coalition Hazard Vulnerability Assessment

The Santa Cruz County Healthcare Coalition (HCC) Hazard Vulnerability Assessment (HVA) is composed of facility-specific information from the Kaiser Permanente HVA tool. Data was gathered from ten participating healthcare facilities including: Dominican Hospital, Dominican Home Health, Santa Cruz County Clinics (three locations), Kaiser Permanente (three locations), Hospice of Santa Cruz County, and the University of California Santa Cruz.

Each facility was advised to complete the HVA tool based on facility-specific risks and hazards. Potential hazards included a range of biological, technological, human-made, and natural hazards. Each hazard was given a rating based on the probability (hazard occurrence in the past three years), alerts (number of alerts), and activations (number of Command Center activations) combined with the level of severity (magnitude-mitigation).

The *top three* hazards identified within the Santa Cruz County HCC: **(1) Earthquake; (2) Wildfire; (3) Communication Failure.**

Notable hazards in the top ten include *Active Shooter, Power Outage, Tsunami, and Seasonal Influenza.*

In effort to prepared and respond to hazards of the Santa Cruz County HCC, the HVA results will be considered while completing shelter, surge, and recovery plans. Participating healthcare facilities are encouraged to review and update emergency plans based on the top hazards.