

Health Services Agency Department Operations Center

Operations Section: Preparedness Branch

COVID-19

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There are currently six branches within the HSA DOC Operations Section

- ▶ Public Safety
- ▶ Disease Control
- ▶ Community Recovery
- ▶ Preparedness
- ▶ Surge
- ▶ Health and Human Services

Preparedness Branch

Control Objectives

- ▶ Assess and monitor licensed Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) for prevention, response, recovery and mitigation protocols.
- ▶ Ensure collaborative assessment of current resources with Human Services Department (HSD) regarding Sheltering to identify current and projected gaps; procure support and resources to mitigate gaps.
- ▶ Provide Just-in-Time personal and job-site preparedness training with emphasis on Behavioral Health and Psychological First Aid for ongoing altered conditions due to COVID-19.

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Control Objectives (cont.)

- ▶ Provide consistent assessment and monitoring of Senior Living settings that are additional elder housing beyond the seven licensed SNFs.
- ▶ Assess and monitor additional congregate living facilities for prevention and mitigation processes to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Steps in motion

1. Assess with partners current situation status, gaps and actions steps for mitigation
2. Pivot from traditional response mode to sustained response
3. Integration of “regular” operational and programmatic framework into the response framework
4. Sustain and build resilience
5. Plan, Respond, Recover, Mitigate