Regionalization of bioterrorism preparedness and response

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The purpose of this project was to first identify the key tasks of responders during a bioterrorism response and the resources required to perform them, and then to evaluate the evidence about the potential effectiveness of existing regional systems for the delivery of these resources and services for bioterrorism preparedness and response.

Authors' conclusions
Numerous regional systems exist for responding to bioterrorism; however, few have been evaluated. Efforts to coordinate them are ongoing and would likely benefit from evaluations of regionalized information management systems; of strategies to rapidly distribute and dispense pharmaceuticals and other response resources; and of plans to specify response roles, remuneration, and chain of command.

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