

Nev. ranked last in public health disaster readiness

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Another piece of Nevada's health care system – its ability to respond to a public health crisis – is drawing unwelcome attention.

A Robert Wood Johnson Foundation report released late Monday found Nevada was tied for worst among U.S. states in preparedness for health disasters, including disease outbreaks, natural disasters and terrorism.

The state's biggest issue: delivering care – particularly mental health care – during and after a disaster like the Oct. 1 shooting, which killed 58 and wounded hundreds more.

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