

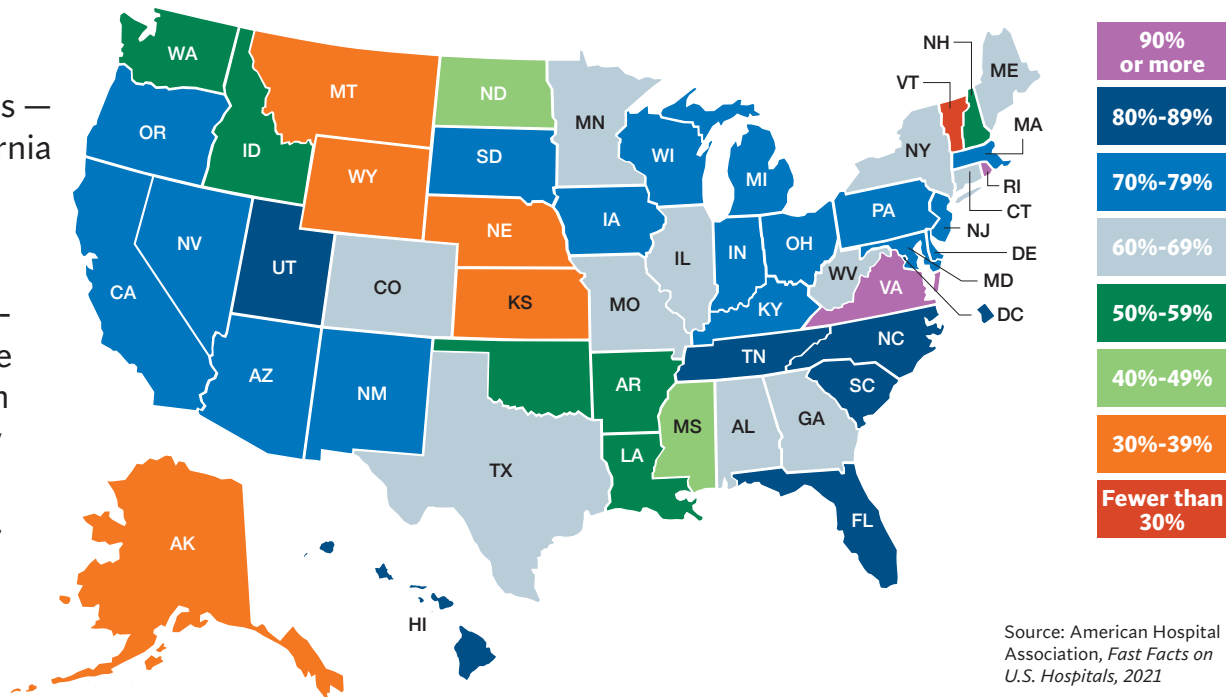
Health Care Partnerships Benefit Patients, Communities

72% of California hospitals have already partnered with larger health care systems. That number is likely to grow as many organizations attempt to survive the devastating — and long-lasting — financial and workforce impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Percentage of U.S. community hospitals in a system as of 2019, by state

In almost **80%** of the most integrated states — including California — the average total annual premium costs for an employer-sponsored single individual health plan were *below* the national average in 2019.

Kaiser Family Foundation, *State Health Facts*



Source: American Hospital Association, *Fast Facts on U.S. Hospitals, 2021*



“O’Connor Hospital had about 50,000 emergency department visits each year, and Saint Louise Regional Hospital had 25,000 to 30,000. If these hospitals closed, where would these emergency cases go? The hospitals needed to stay open to meet the needs of the community.”

Paul Lorenz, CEO
Santa Clara Valley Health and Hospital System

“Our affiliation with an academic medical center allowed us to bring nationally ranked programs to our South Bay community. Our patients have benefited from our ability to offer a spectrum of advanced procedures that were never previously available in our market and to provide a more advanced level of care within the community.”

Craig Leach, President and CEO
Torrance Memorial Medical Center



6% below

Per-capita health care spending in California is \$7,549, more than **6% below** the national average of \$8,045. California Health Care Foundation