California Legislative Staff Briefing: Hospital 101

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Welcome





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Hospital Types and Who Regulates Them

Vanessa Gonzalez

Types of Hospitals in California



Over 450 hospitals and health systems

- 3 Types of Licensing Categories for Hospitals:
 - General Acute Care Hospitals (GAC)
 - Acute Psychiatric Hospitals
 - Special Hospitals
- Other Types of Hospitals:
 - Inpatient Rehab Hospitals
 - Long Term Acute Care Hospitals
 - Children's Hospitals
 - Rural Hospitals
 - Federal Designations—Critical Access Hospitals



Types of Hospitals in California



Public Hospitals and Private Hospitals

- Public Hospitals: County-operated or affiliated, & five UC hospitals
- o **District Hospitals**: Also, public hospitals operated by a local jurisdiction/district
- Private Hospitals: Investor owned or Not for Profit

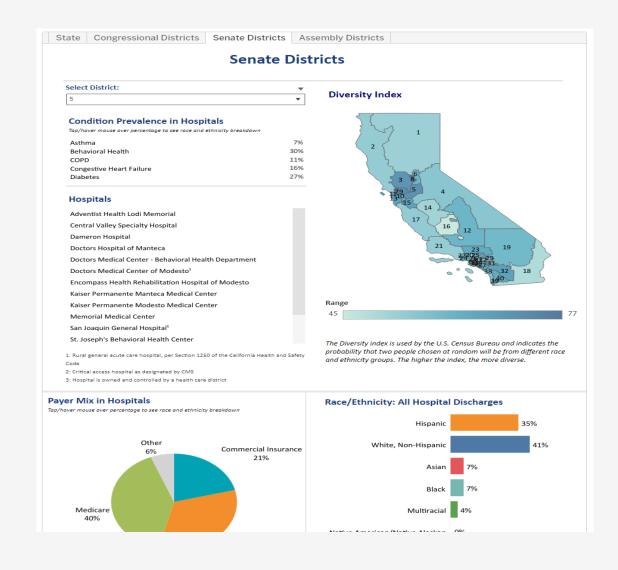




- Stand-Alone Hospitals: Independent, not owned or operated by a health system
- Health Systems: Organization that owns and operates a network of at least one or more health care facilities, like a hospital

Community Health Profiles





Community Health Profiles

Snapshots of health indicators for California's legislative districts

Hospital Regulating Agencies



Hospitals are regulated by multiple state agencies, departments and boards

Health & Human Services Agency (HHS)

- CA Department of Public Health (CDPH)
 - Licenses hospitals, inspect and survey, respond to complaints
- Health Care Access & Information (HCAi)
 - Regulates the construction, renovation and seismic safety of hospitals; collect, manage and analyze data; workforce development, community benefits
- Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)
 - Manages health care services for Medi-Cal beneficiaries

Business, Consumer Services & Housing Agency (BCSH)

- Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA)
 - Board of Registered Nursing (BRN)
 - Board of Pharmacy (BoP)
 - Medical Board of California (MBC)

Hospital Regulating Agencies Continued



Labor & Workforce Development Agency (LWDA)

- Department of Industrial Relations
 - Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA)
 - Division of Workers' Compensation

Hospitals are also regulated by **federal** agencies, mainly:

- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)
 - Every health care facility must be certified by CMS to care for Medicare and Medi-Cal patients
 - CDPH surveyors perform inspections on behalf of CMS



Labor is our Greatest Asset

Rony Berdugo

Hospital Workforce at a Glance



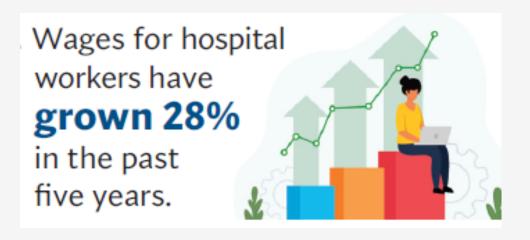
- There are about 500,000 hospital workers in California.
- There are many different types of workers and professionals in California's hospitals.
- 1.17 million jobs supported by the hospital sector.
- Health care workforce shortages persist in California and nationally.



High-Road Jobs in Health Care



- The median wage for all hospital workers in California is about \$67,000, well above the median wage for all workers.
- Nurses in California earn more than in any other state, even when adjusted for cost of living.
- California's health care workers have the highest statewide minimum wage in the nation.
- California's health care workers have some of the best workplace safety standards across sectors.

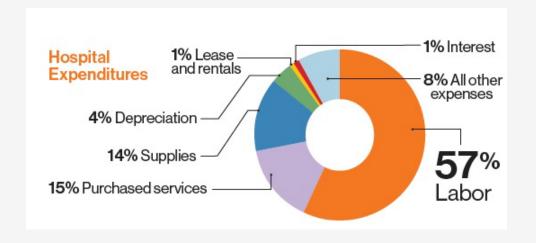


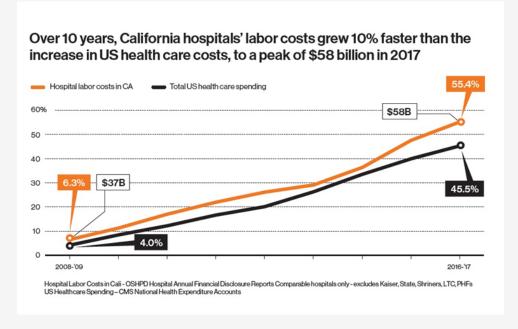


Hospital Workforce Investments



- Since 2007, hospital spending on the workforce has grown by 67%.
- Hospitals invest more in their workforce than any other category.
- Health care workforce demand and salaries continue to grow faster than total health care spending.





How Hospitals are Funded

Mark Farouk

How Hospitals Are Paid



Medi-Cal

State doesn't cover cost for hospital care

Medicare

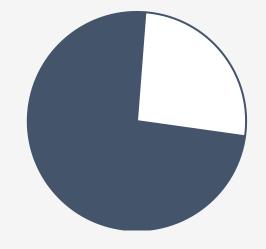
Federal government doesn't cover costs for hospital care in California

Commercial Insurance

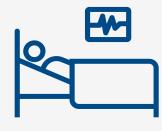
The only major payer that pays above cost for hospital care

Other

Self-pay, TriCare, counties, amongst others



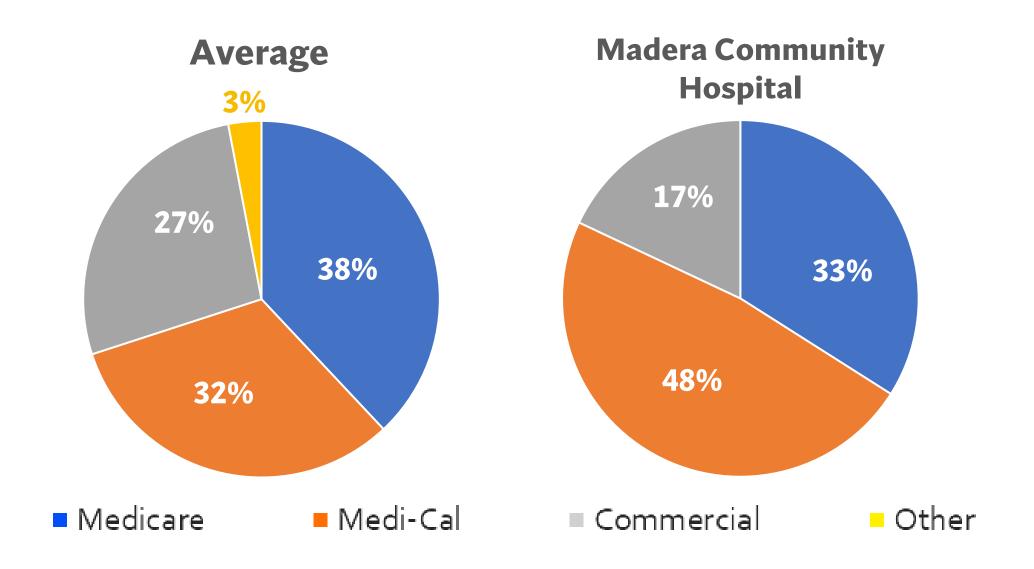
Since Medi-Cal rates were last increased in 2012, the share of the CA population on Medi-Cal has gone up from 21% to 39%.



The Result - 52% of hospitals in California lose money providing care for

How Hospitals Are Paid





How Hospitals Are Paid



- Government underpayments & fixed revenue
- Disproportionate Share Hospitals (DSH) & Critical Access Hospitals (CAH)
- Charity Care & Community Benefits
- Challenges



What about the building?

Kathryn Scott

Hospital Building Regulation

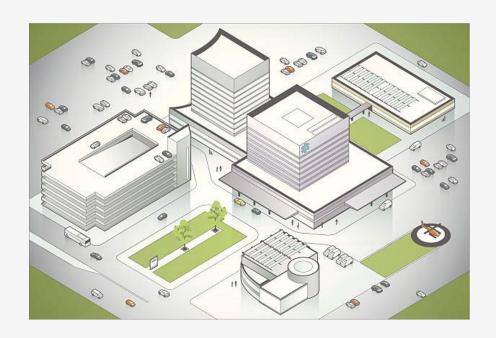


Hospital Construction is regulated by **Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD)** at the department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI), including:

- Hospital construction and repair
- Seismic Compliance

Hospitals are multi-building campuses, including:

- Acute care services,
- Outpatient services, and
- Medical office buildings



Hospital Seismic Compliance

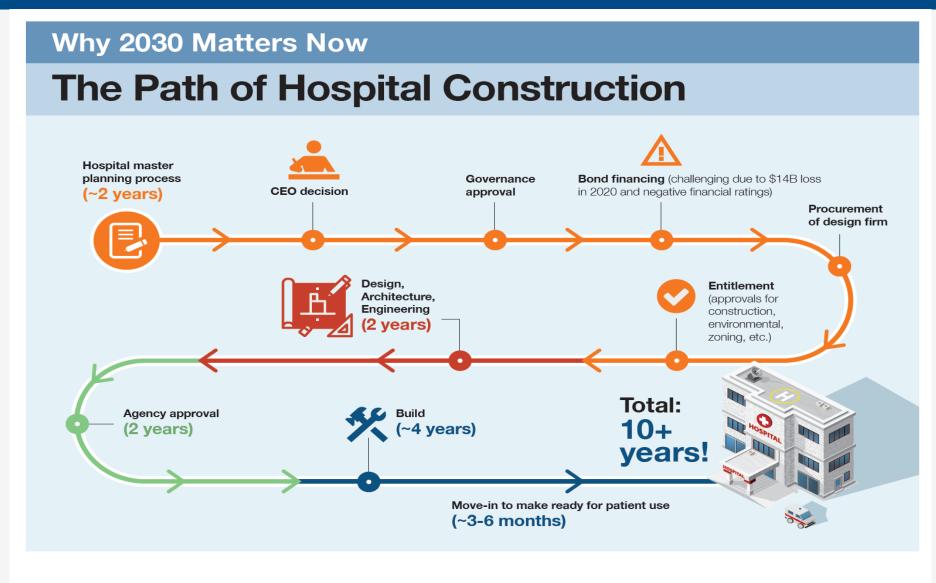


History of Hospital Seismic Compliance

- <u>SB 1953</u> (1994) amended the Alfred E. Alquist Seismic Safety Act to established the framework for the current hospital seismic compliance requirements.
 - First Requirement: Hospitals have completed a retrofit or have replaced their buildings to ensure they do not significantly jeopardize life during a major earthquake. This is also known as the <u>Structural Performance Category (SPC) 2</u> requirement.
 - Second Requirement: By January 1, 2030 all hospital buildings providing acute care services are required to be fully functional to provide care following an earthquake.
 If this not completed by 2030, these hospital buildings will have to close.

2030 Seismic Standards





It's an Ecosystem

Kathryn Scott

Hospitals Working with the Entire Health Care System



- Lack of Available Primary Care & Behavioral Health Care
- Difficulties Discharging Patients
 - Impacts to Emergency Departments
- Prior Authorization Challenges
- Legislature's Impact on the Health Care Delivery System



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