



Affordable Health Care Is a Shared Responsibility


The entire health care system — **providers, insurance companies, drug manufacturers, medical device suppliers, labor unions, governmental agencies, and others** — must work together.



Hospitals are working to make care affordable

 **Investing in primary care & community-based services**, so patients stay healthier and get routine care faster

 **Helping Californians enroll in Medi-Cal**, ensuring they're covered for unexpected health care needs

 **Embracing value-based care**, which emphasizes patients' overall well-being and results in better health outcomes

THE RESULT: California is among the 10 lowest states nationally in per capital hospital costs and overall health care expenses.



**Nearly
2/3**
of health care
spending
happens outside
of hospitals

WHAT'S NEEDED >

The Office of Health Care Affordability must ensure:

- **Cost savings are passed along to consumers** instead of pocketed by insurance companies
- **Providers can continue to save lives** by staying open, delivering complex, sometimes costly care
- **Investments in innovation are encouraged** to build systems that result in better patient outcomes, despite initially high costs
- **Equitable access to high-quality care is improved** rather than simply sustained

Patients deserve affordable health care that doesn't sacrifice quality, equity, or access.