

Hospitals at a Glance



Colorado has more than 100 hospitals and health systems located in 47 counties around the state. These include general hospitals, pediatric, long-term acute care, behavioral health and rehabilitation facilities.



30 | Critical Access Hospitals

Colorado has 30 critical access hospitals which provide essential medical services to rural and remote areas of the state.



70 | Designated Trauma Centers

There are 70 designated trauma centers in Colorado that provide expert care to patients with life-threatening and complex medical conditions 24/7.



53% Hospitals are in Urban Areas

47% Hospitals are in Rural Areas

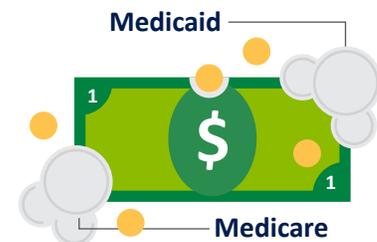
Rural hospitals are typically smaller and have fewer patients but must still provide the same quality and a broad range of services to meet the needs of their communities.

Patient Care in 2015

423k Inpatient Visits	9.2m Outpatient Visits	63k Babies Delivered	1.9m Non-admission Emergency Department Visits
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Who Pays for Hospital Care?

35% Commercial Insurance	21% Medicaid	39% Medicare	5% Self-pay and Other
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Economic Impact

In 2015, Medicare paid only 72 cents for each dollar hospitals spent caring for Medicare patients, and Medicaid paid only 75 cents for each dollar hospital spent caring for Medicaid patients.



75k | Employees

Hospitals are a major employer in Colorado.

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The Colorado Hospital Association educates state and federal policymakers about the value Colorado hospitals provide to their communities, payment reform, regulatory streamlining and expanding health care coverage.

2017 Legislative Priorities

The Colorado State Budget

Continued budget cuts to hospitals threaten access to care and the viability of Colorado communities. Colorado hospitals and health systems are committed to protecting Colorado's Hospital Provider Fee (HPF) and the support it provides to ensure care is available to those in need.

- CHA will strive to prevent or reduce the proposed \$390 million cut to the HPF (\$195 million state funds) and mitigate the impact of cuts to hospitals in the future.

Coverage and Access to Care

Anticipated changes to the federal health care policy framework will significantly impact coverage and access to care at the state level. Colorado has supported a historic decline in our uninsured rate, which has improved the physical and economic health of the state.

- CHA will work to maintain successes in coverage and access to care in order to advance the health of Colorado's communities.

Behavioral Health

Colorado hospitals have first-hand experience with the mental health and substance use challenges that many Coloradans face. Colorado's behavioral health system must ensure that there is a sustainable network of care that enables individuals to get the comprehensive care they need.

- CHA will support improving the availability and accessibility of behavioral health services across Colorado, including crisis response, outpatient treatment and inpatient services.

Cost and Transparency

The cost of health insurance and health care weighs heavily on many Colorado consumers, and individuals often feel they cannot access the information they need.

- CHA supports price and quality transparency, but information must be accurate and meaningful to consumer decision-making; supportive of our commitment to health insurance coverage; and reflective of mutual buy-in and accountability for payers, providers and consumers.

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