

# Building Relationships with Hospitals

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In partnership with America's Essential Hospitals



## Land and Labor Acknowledgment



Memphis rests on the current and historical land of **Quapaw** and **Chickasaw tribes**.

Cook County rests on the historical lands of **Peoria**, **Potawatomi**, **Myaamia**, **Kaskaskia**, **and Kickapoo tribes**.

These communities reside on these unceded ancestral lands of people past and present and honor with gratitude the land itself, and its people.

We honor the brilliance and humanity of all immigrant labor, including voluntary, involuntary, trafficked, forced, and undocumented peoples, whose labor, remains hidden in the shadows but still contributes to the wellbeing of our collective community.

## Today's Presenters & Panelists

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#### **Essential Hospitals Explained**

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#### AMERICA'S ESSENTIAL HOSPITALS

 America's Essential Hospitals champions excellence in health care for all, regardless of social or economic circumstance, and advances the work of hospitals and health systems committed to ensuring access to care and optimal health for America's most vulnerable people.



#### WHAT IS AN ESSENTIAL HOSPITAL?

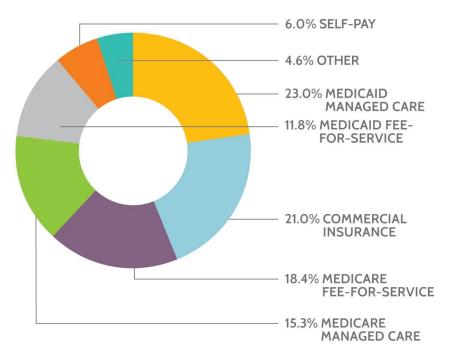
- Serve as the safety net provider in their community
- 120 members with over 300 facilities
  - 5% of US acute-care hospitals
  - Members in 40 states plus DC
- At least 50% of payer mix is public or uninsured
- Publicly owned and private non-profits
  - Mostly urban
  - No federal designation



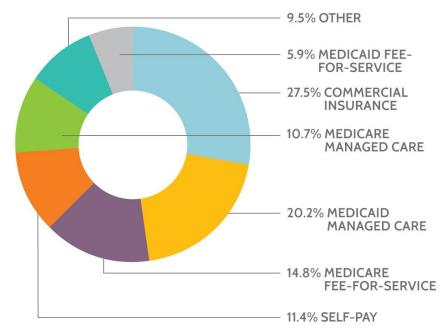
#### Inpatient and Outpatient Utilization and Payer Mix

Members of America's Essential Hospitals, 2021

#### INPATIENT DISCHARGES BY PAYER MIX



#### **OUTPATIENT VISITS BY PAYER MIX**



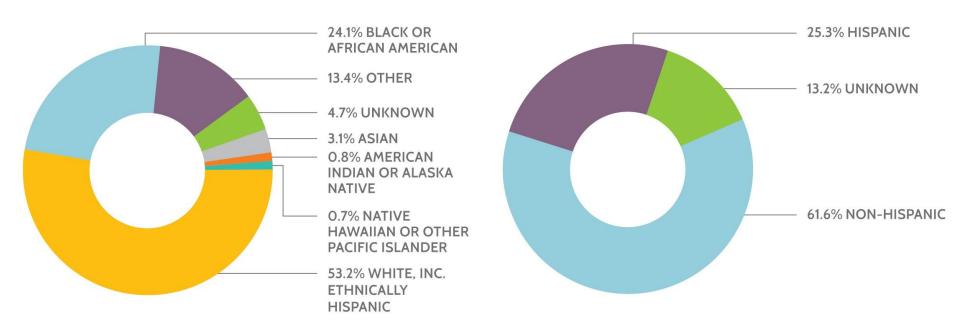
Note: Numbers might not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.

Source: America's Essential Hospitals. Fiscal Year 2021 Hospital Characteristics Survey. 2023.

#### Inpatient Discharges by Race and Ethnicity

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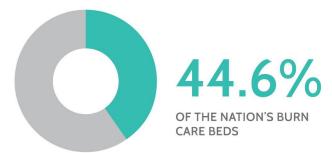
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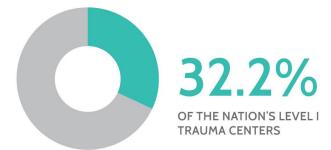
#### **Specialty Care Services**

Members of America's Essential Hospitals, 2021

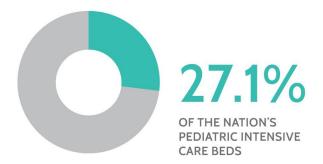
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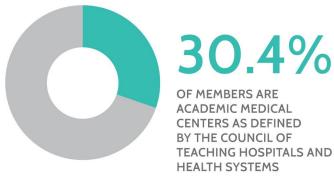




#### **Number of Physicians Trained**

Members of America's Essential Hospitals versus Other Acute-Care Hospitals, 2021





Each member teaching hospital trained an average of 246 physicians in 2021.



Other U.S. teaching hospitals each trained an average of 81 physicians.



Source: American Hospital Association. 2021 AHA Annual Survey. Health Forum LLC. 2022.

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Healthcare Cost Report Information System, Hospital 2552-10 Cost Report Data Files FY2021. 2023.



#### Social Determinants of Health

 $Members\ of America's\ Essential\ Hospitals,\ 2021$ 

#### SOCIAL DETERMINANTS ADDRESSED THROUGH STATE INITIATIVES



72.1% FOOD INSECURITY



65.6% TRANSPORTATION



63.9% HEALTH BEHAVIORS



55.7% HOUSING INSTABILITY



54.1% FAMILY AND SOCIAL SUPPORTS



54.1% HEALTH LITERACY



49.2% INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE



47.5% SOCIAL NEEDS SCREENING



44.3% EDUCATION



41.0% EMPLOYMENT AND INCOME



39.3% COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE



37.7% UTILITY NEEDS



31.2% LEGAL NEEDS



29.5% STRUCTURAL RACISM



18.0% OTHER

Note: Respondents selected all that apply, so percentages will not add up to 100.

Source: America's Essential Hospitals. Fiscal Year 2021 Hospital Characteristics Survey. 2023.



#### **Average Uncompensated Care**

Members of America's Essential Hospitals versus Acute-Care Hospitals Nationwide, 2021



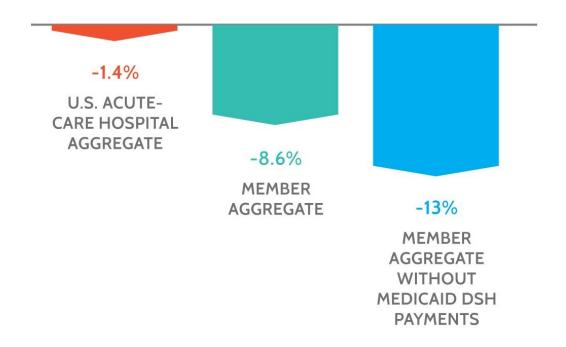
#### **Share of National Uncompensated Care**

Members of America's Essential Hospitals, 2021

Source: American Hospital Association. 2021 AHA Annual Survey. Health Forum LLC. 2022

#### **National Operating Margins**

Members of America's Essential Hospitals versus All Acute-Care Hospitals Nationwide, 2021



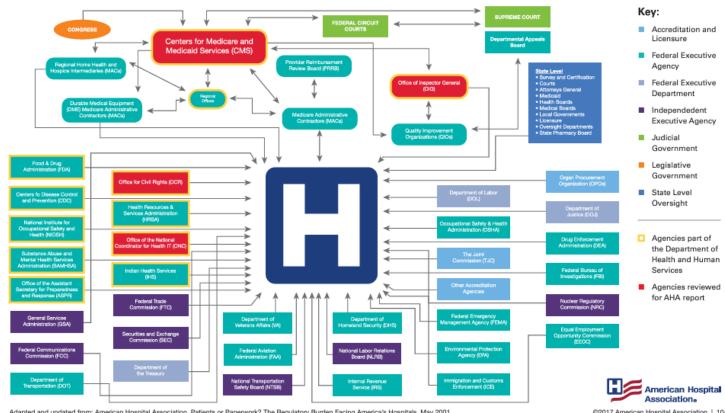
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#### HOSPITAL REGULATION

#### Federal Agencies with Regulatory or Oversight **Authority Impacting Hospitals**

Four federal agencies account for 629 regulatory requirements that health systems, hospitals and post-acute care providers must comply with, yet providers are subject to regulation and oversight from many other sources.



#### MORE INFORMATION

- Member list:
  - https://essentialhospitals.org/about/listing-of-americas-essential-hospitalsmembers/
- Essential Data:
  - essentialdata.info
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# •BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH HOSPITALS: MOVING THE NEEDLE BY BUILDING AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

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#### **REGIONAL ONE HEALTH**

- Oldest Hospital in the state of Tennessee
- Serves as the essential hospital or safety net for a multistate region
- Located in Memphis, TN, a city that has an adult poverty rate of 22%
- Reside in a non-Medicaid expansion state
- Shelby County has the largest percentage of uninsured in the state (14%)
- 20% of ROH patients served are uninsured
- 1,292 individuals identified in 2023 Point in Time Count (Jan. 23) as being homeless:
  - 1127 sheltered, 165 unsheltered
  - 133 Veterans

#### ONE HEALTH: COMPLEX CARE PROGRAM FOR UNINSURED

VISION: Every Memphian Deserves Great Health



#### Goal:

To improve the health of our uninsured, medically and social complex patients

#### **COMPLEX CARE PROGRAM**

- Seeks to Improve the health and well-being of uninsured Memphians who frequently cycle through multiple systems but who do not receive any lasting benefit from their interactions
- Addresses both health and social drivers of health applied through a health equity lens





Predominantly male (71%)

Frequent ED utilization

Few hospitalizations

Fragmented care

Chronic disease (>2, up to 7)

No links to primary care

Some at end stages of life

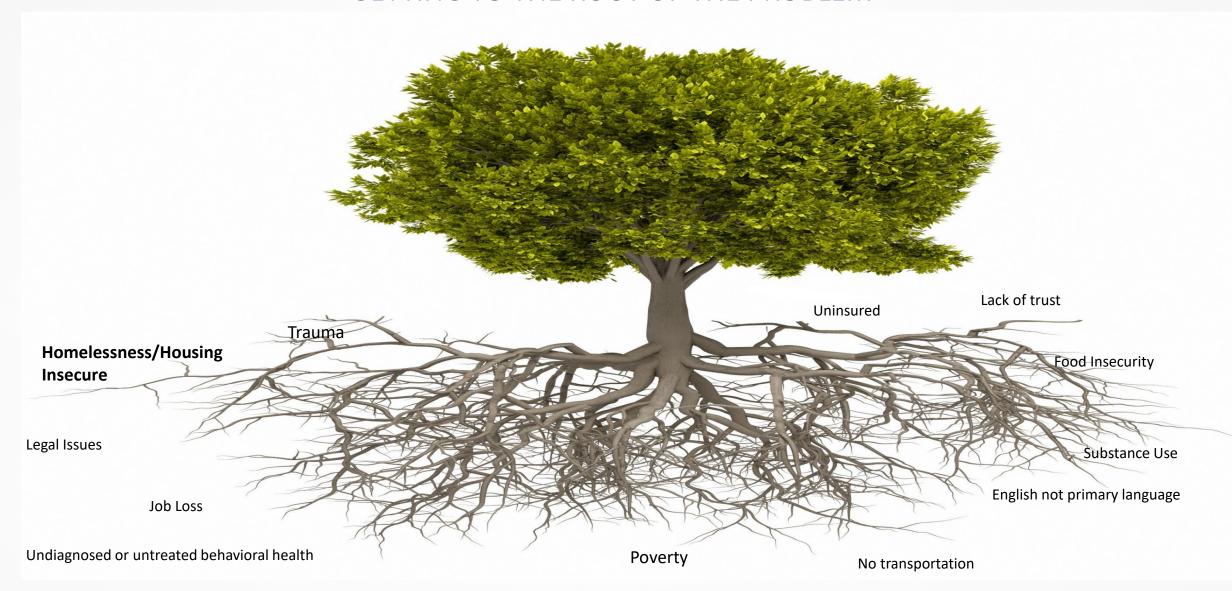
Mental Health diagnosis (43%)

Substance use (30%)

Chronic pain



#### GETTING TO THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM





#### CREATING A NEW ECOSYSTEM OF CARE



- Data Analysis
- Community Asset Mapping
- Authentic Partnerships
- Clinical and Community Plans of Care

## Building Authentic Partnerships



- Place Matters
- Strategic Invitations
- Create common vision and sense of urgency
- Ask for help
- Allow the community to hold you accountable
- Set expectations for next steps
- Don't Rush

## Asset Mapping "What are the resources for Complex Patients"



...and where are the gaps?

## Why Medical Respite is Important to Hospitals

- Extended lengths of stay increase costs and inability to bed new patients leading to patient holding in emergency departments
- Longer lengths of stay can lead to additional hospital acquired conditions, poor patient outcomes
- Unhoused patients can not adequately heal if discharged to unstable housing leading to additional emergency department visits or inpatient admissions
- We look at data for effectiveness of patient referred to respite have we:
  - Decrease inappropriate admissions
  - Decrease LOS (avoidable days)
  - Decrease emergency department visits

#### WORKING WITH MEDICAL RESPITE IN MEMPHIS

- 21 bed unit serving all hospitals in Memphis
- Primary funding came through grants and Cares Act funding received by City during Covid, piloted in hotels leading to construction of the main campus
- Our complex care team and case managers identify appropriate patients and have a referral system that was developed with recuperative care provider
- Important for our discharged patients being transferred to recuperative care to have the following in place:
  - Discharge appointments already scheduled
  - Transportation to and from appointments
  - Medications post-discharge
  - Any dressings, ostomy supplies etc.
  - A point of contact at both organizations to call if emergencies arise

## Challenges with working with hospitals

- Difficult to identify the right point of contact
- Power imbalance
- Hospitals are looking for the business case as well as patient outcomes
- Hospitals are highly regulated
- Hospitals are often unaware of community assets and their capabilities
- Need to also now look to payers for support with new focus on addressing social drivers of health

#### POTENTIAL POINTS OF CONTACT AND STRATEGIES FOR WORKING WITH HOSPITALS

- Use your community relationships to make introductions
- Seek out Case management/discharge planners as points of contact
- Complex care departments
- Offer to have a lunch and learn about recuperative care/respite for specific hospital teams:
  - What is recuperative care/respite
  - What is you process
  - Who can you accept/not accept
  - Explain the low barrier to entry
  - Length of the respite services
  - Build a business case for the hospital to use and/or pay for the services
  - Think about what a contract might look like
  - Under-promise and over-deliver

## Secret Sauce to Authentic Partnerships

- Take your time
- Focus on a collective vision: how do we help each other help our patients/clients
- Challenge the status quo
- Under-promise and over deliver
- Be transparent
- Celebrate team wins
- Everyone has something to contribute, create a safe atmosphere for authentic dialogue



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### Related Resource & Publications

- Medical Respite Care Online Course: Partnerships with Hospitals
- FAQs: Contracts with Hospitals (Fact Sheet)
- Advice from Medical Respite Program Coordinators: Survey on Relationships with Hospitals (Fact Sheet)
- Medical Respite Budget Tool + Budget Tool Guidance
- Medical Respite Care: Financing Approaches (Policy Brief)
- <u>Financing Medical Respite Care: A Practical Discussion to Ensure Sustainability</u> (Webinar)
- Hospital Community Benefit Funds: Resources for the HCH Community



The National Institute for Medical Respite Care is a special initiative of the National Health Care for the Homeless Council.



## **Upcoming Activities**

#### RCPN All Member Meeting, February 28th at 3:00 ET

- Updates on NIMRC and medical respite care
- Discussion will focus on HUD's 90 Day Rule Implications for Medical Respite

#### Webinar: Assessing Health Management in Medical Respite and Health Center Settings, March 13th at 3:00 ET

- Overview of ways to assess for health management within HCH and medical respite settings
- Overview of new resource/publication

#### Virtual Symposium: Trauma Informed Design in MRC, April 3rd 1-5:00 ET, registration coming soon

- Convening that will provide information and strategies for programs to incorporate trauma-informed design
- In partnership with Shopworks Architecture

#### Gender Affirming Care in Medical Respite Coffee Chat – April, registration coming soon

## **Upcoming Activities**

#### National Health Care for the Homeless Annual Conference, May 13-6<sup>th</sup>

- Phoenix, AZ
- Medical Respite PCI and sessions throughout the Conference
- Register before Jan. 31 to receive a 15% Early Bird discount! Use the code EB15 at checkout.

#### Nominations are open for:

- Willie J. Mackey Award: This award recognizes an individual who has made a profound impact on their community through the delivery or advancement of medical respite care.
- RCPN Steering Committee: We encourage nominations from hands-on medical respite providers, administrators, funders, and community partners. We are especially interested in nominees with lived experience of homelessness and those with experience working within a Managed Care Organization or related payor.



## Thank you!

Have ideas or need technical assistance?

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