

About the 2019 California Opioid Care Honor Roll Program

Background

Every day, more than 130 people in the United States die after overdosing on opioids. The misuse of and addiction to opioids—including prescription pain relievers, heroin, and synthetic opioids such as fentanyl—is a serious national crisis.¹ In California there were over 2,000 opioid overdose deaths in 2018, a 5 percent increase from the prior year, including over 700 deaths from fentanyl, a 72 percent increase.²

Hospitalization is a “reachable moment” for many people with opioid use disorder (OUD).³ To accelerate hospital progress in building systems to treat hospitalized patients with OUD and train health care professionals in opioid safety practices, Cal Hospital Compare supports the California Opioid Care Honor Roll Program. The goal of the program is increased access to addiction treatment for hospitalized patients and reduction of opioid-related deaths.

- All California adult, acute care hospitals were invited to participate in this pilot year of the Program, and 60 hospitals voluntarily submitted data sharing their progress on implementing evidence-based practices to address the opioid crisis.
- Participating hospitals answered nine questions across four key domains of care including preventing new opioid starts, identifying and managing patients with Opioid Use Disorder, preventing harm in high-risk patients, and applying cross-cutting organizational strategies that were developed by a multi-disciplinary workgroup of addiction experts, policymakers, measurement scientists, and hospitals.
- To help accelerate implementation of best practices Cal Hospital Compare offered a 5-part, webinar series with subject matter experts and representatives from peer hospitals that have successfully deployed best practices. These webinars are available on the [Cal Hospital Compare website](#). The [California Bridge Program](#) also offers free training.
- We learned important lessons during the pilot year, including:
 - Several hospitals are advanced in implementing practices to address the opioid epidemic; others are just starting.
 - Many hospitals have implemented prescribing practices that reduce the use of opioids for patients who visit emergency rooms, new patients with pain, and patients being discharged to reduce the likelihood of chronic use.
 - A much smaller group of hospitals has implemented harm reduction programs using naloxone, an opioid overdose reversal agent. This is a statewide opportunity for improvement.

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- In 2020, Cal Hospital Compare will update the opioid care program with additional practices that are proven effective and will support their rapid spread among hospitals with additional learning opportunities, including another webinar series.
- In 2020, Cal Hospital Compare will announce the first Opioid Care Honor Roll. All California adult, acute care hospitals are invited to participate.

¹ [Issue Areas: Opioids. Public Health Institute. Accessed Nov. 4, 2019.](#)

³ [News and Data: Opioid. California Department of Public Health, Sept 2019. Accessed Nov. 15, 2019](#)

⁴ [Bottner & Moriates. Hospitals are missing link in easing the opioid crisis. STAT, Jun 2019. Accessed Nov. 4, 2019.](#)

Hospitals Participating in the 2019 Opioid Care Honor Roll Program

Hospital Name	City	Hospital Name	City
Adventist Health Clear Lake	Clearlake	Mission Hospital - Mission Viejo	Mission Viejo
Adventist Health Glendale	Glendale	Northern Inyo Hospital	Bishop
Adventist Health Hanford	Hanford	Pacific Grove Hospital (<i>a mental health treatment center</i>)	Riverside
Adventist Health Howard Memorial	Willits	Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center	Pomona
Adventist Health Ukiah Valley	Ukiah	Riverside University Health Systems	Moreno Valley
Anaheim Global Medical Center	Anaheim	UCLA Health	Los Angeles
Antelope Valley Hospital	Lancaster	Santa Clara Valley Medical Center	San Jose
Bakersfield Memorial Hospital	Bakersfield	Scripps Green Hospital	La Jolla
Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula	Monterey	Scripps Memorial Hospital - Encinitas	Encinitas
Community Regional Medical Center	Fresno	Scripps Memorial Hospital - La Jolla	La Jolla
Desert Regional Medical Center	Palm Springs	Scripps Mercy Hospital	San Diego
El Camino Hospital	Mountain View	Seneca Healthcare District	Chester
Enloe Medical Center - Esplanade Campus	Chico	Sharp Chula Vista Medical Center	Chula Vista
French Hospital Medical Center	San Luis Obispo	Sharp Coronado Hospital and Healthcare Center	Coronado
Good Samaritan Hospital - Bakersfield	Bakersfield	Sharp Grossmont Hospital	La Mesa
Harbor - UCLA Medical Center	Torrance	Sharp Memorial Hospital	San Diego
Healdsburg District Hospital	Healdsburg	Sharp Metropolitan Memorial Campus	San Diego
John Muir Medical Center - Concord Campus	Concord	Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital	Grass Valley
Kaweah Delta Health Care District	Visalia	St. Elizabeth Community Hospital	Red Bluff
LAC+USC Medical Center	Los Angeles	St. Francis Memorial Hospital	San Francisco
Mammoth Hospital	Mammoth Lakes	St. John's Regional Medical Center	Oxnard
Marshall Medical Center	Placerville	St. Mary Medical Center Long Beach	Long Beach
Mendocino Coast District Hospital	Fort Bragg	Stanford Health Care - ValleyCare - Pleasanton	Pleasanton
Mercy General Hospital	Sacramento	Sutter Solano Medical Center	Vallejo
Mercy Hospital of Folsom	Folsom	Tahoe Forest Hospital	Truckee
Mercy Medical Center Merced	Merced	UC Davis Medical Center	Sacramento
Mercy Medical Center Mount Shasta	Mount Shasta	UC Irvine Health	Orange
Mercy Medical Center Redding	Redding	UCSF Medical Center - Moffitt/Long	San Francisco
Mercy San Juan Medical Center	Carmichael	Watsonville Community Hospital	Watsonville
Methodist Hospital of Sacramento	Sacramento	Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center	San Francisco
Methodist Hospital of Southern California	Arcadia		