

# Non-Designated Public Hospitals & DSRIP

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# Non-Designated Public Hospitals

- 41 district hospitals and 1 municipal hospital
  - Publicly elected Boards of Directors (similar to school district/water district elections/Boards)
  - Local governments responsible for providing for the healthcare needs of their communities
    - Ability to use public funds – CPEs/IGTs – as non-federal share



# NDPH Characteristics

- 28 rural, 20 of which are critical access hospitals
- 29 in health personnel shortage area
- Licensed acute beds range from 3 to more than 400
  - Services range from emergency coupled with a medical unit and distinct part nursing facility to tertiary/trauma
- Many rural NDPHs have rural health clinics



# Additional Characteristics

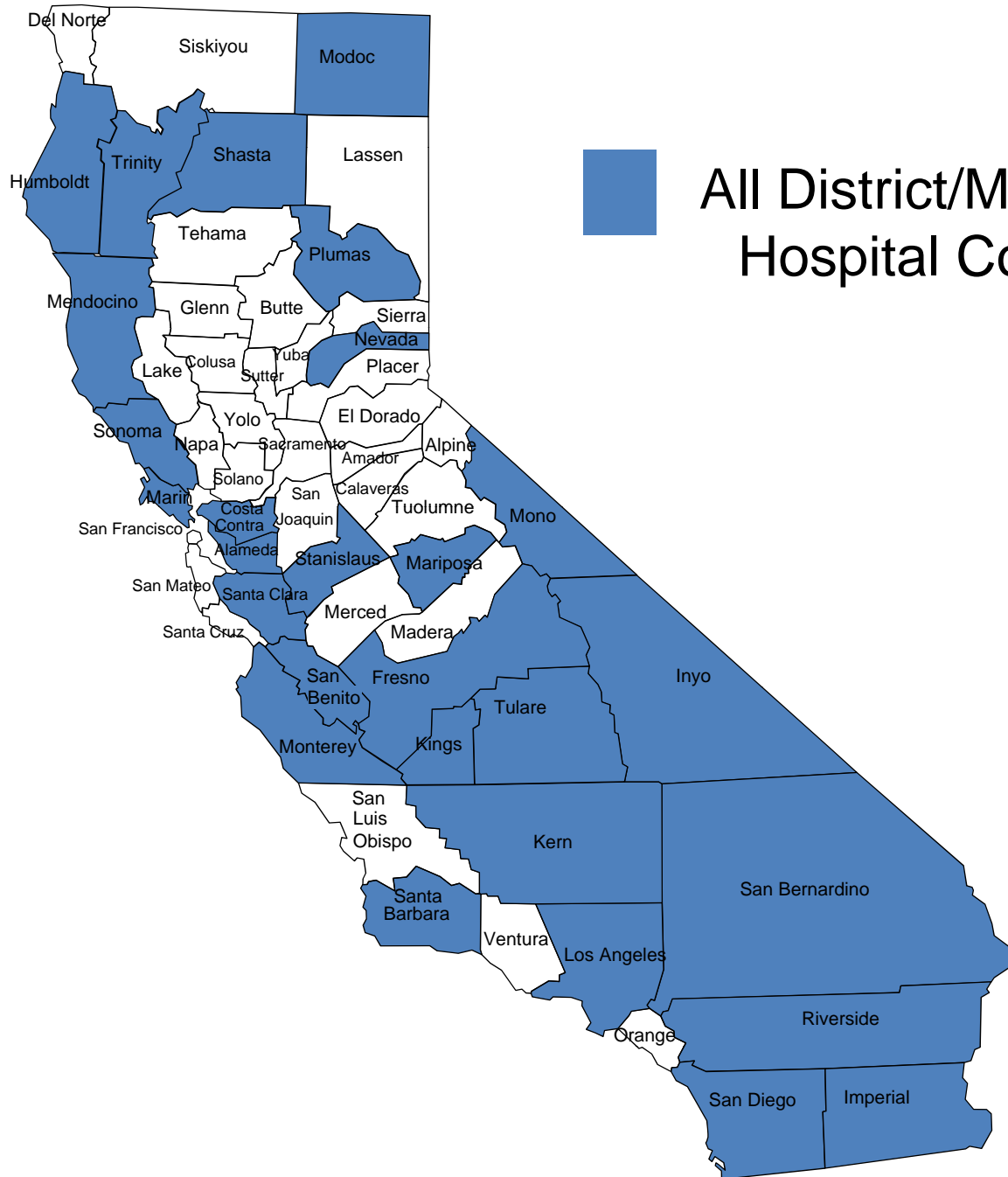
- In aggregate, 25% Medi-Cal
  - Some well over 60% Medi-Cal
  - 70% government payer
  - Exacerbates physician recruitment challenges
- **-3%** operating margin
- District residents tax themselves to support hospital in some instances
  - \$0 to \$2 million annually on average
  - Recent increases related to seismic



## Characteristics (cont.)

- Transitions disproportionately affecting districts
  - Transitioning to APR-DRGs; overall “losers”
  - Medi-Cal managed care expansion in rural areas
  - DP/NF rate reduction recoupment





All District/Municipal  
Hospital Counties

# NDPHs and DSRIP 2.0

- Considerations: Diversity among hospitals
- As in NY DSRIP, urge including a funded planning period (6 to 12 months) for NDPH DSRIP
- DPH Concept Paper provided an excellent road map even for small NDPHs



# Current Potential NDPH DSRIP Efforts

- Delivery System Transformation
  - Behavioral health
    - Currently the small district hospitals do not provide specific behavioral health services and attempt to transfer BH patients that present in their EDs generally with little success
    - Large district hospitals currently provide some inpatient and outpatient behavioral health services
      - Challenges of those providing services are the silos that treat BH patients in communities, difficulties in recruiting BH staff, under-reimbursement, and increasing need and declining number of providers
      - Some planned DSRIP projects: Telemedicine, crisis stabilization/intervention centers, OP clinic, expanded IP services
  - Specialty care expansion
    - Primary care expansion for medical home
  - Transitioning patients from ED/inpatient to outpatient





# Current Potential NDPH DSRIP Efforts

- Chronic disease management
  - Communication among community social service and health providers
  - Targeting patients with specific conditions for care management
  - Assist with post-acute transitions
  - Chronic pain management
  - Community health workers
- Resource utilization
  - Antibiotic stewardship
  - Contrast imaging
- Prevention (interest especially in rural areas)
  - Smoking Cessation program
  - Dietary Education
  - Cardiac Maintenance program
  - Obstetrical classes



# Differences among DSRIP Plans Among NDPHs

- Generally larger NDPHs have more resources than smaller facilities and plan to implement more expansive projects
  - Example: Small rural would implement a crisis intervention program that could result in a transfer to a larger facility out of the area; larger facility would also implement the crisis intervention program but would be able to provide the patient inpatient and outpatient services in the same facility.



# Differences among DSRIP Plans Among NDPHs

- Example: Regarding prevention projects, an urban large district hospital could implement a more expansive project with numerous community partners while a small hospital would be limited in number of partners/scope of project
- Incentive payments in 2012 ‘proposed but not implemented’ NDPH DSRIP 1.0 took into account the scope of the projects. Anticipate a similar model in DSRIP 2.0.
- If a requirement ultimately is for a number of projects, expectation would be for larger hospitals to complete more projects.



# Future

- District/municipal hospitals are integral component California's hospital/health network
- Like other hospitals, planning and implementing projects that allow these facilities to better meet communities' needs and deliver care in the most appropriate manner
- Appreciate opportunities provided by participation in DSRIP 2.0 to better serve communities



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# Questions?



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