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# **MEDI-CAL 2020 WAIVER PROGRAM PROGRESS**

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# Overview

## PRIME and Global Payment Program (GPP)

- Progress and themes
- Early learning

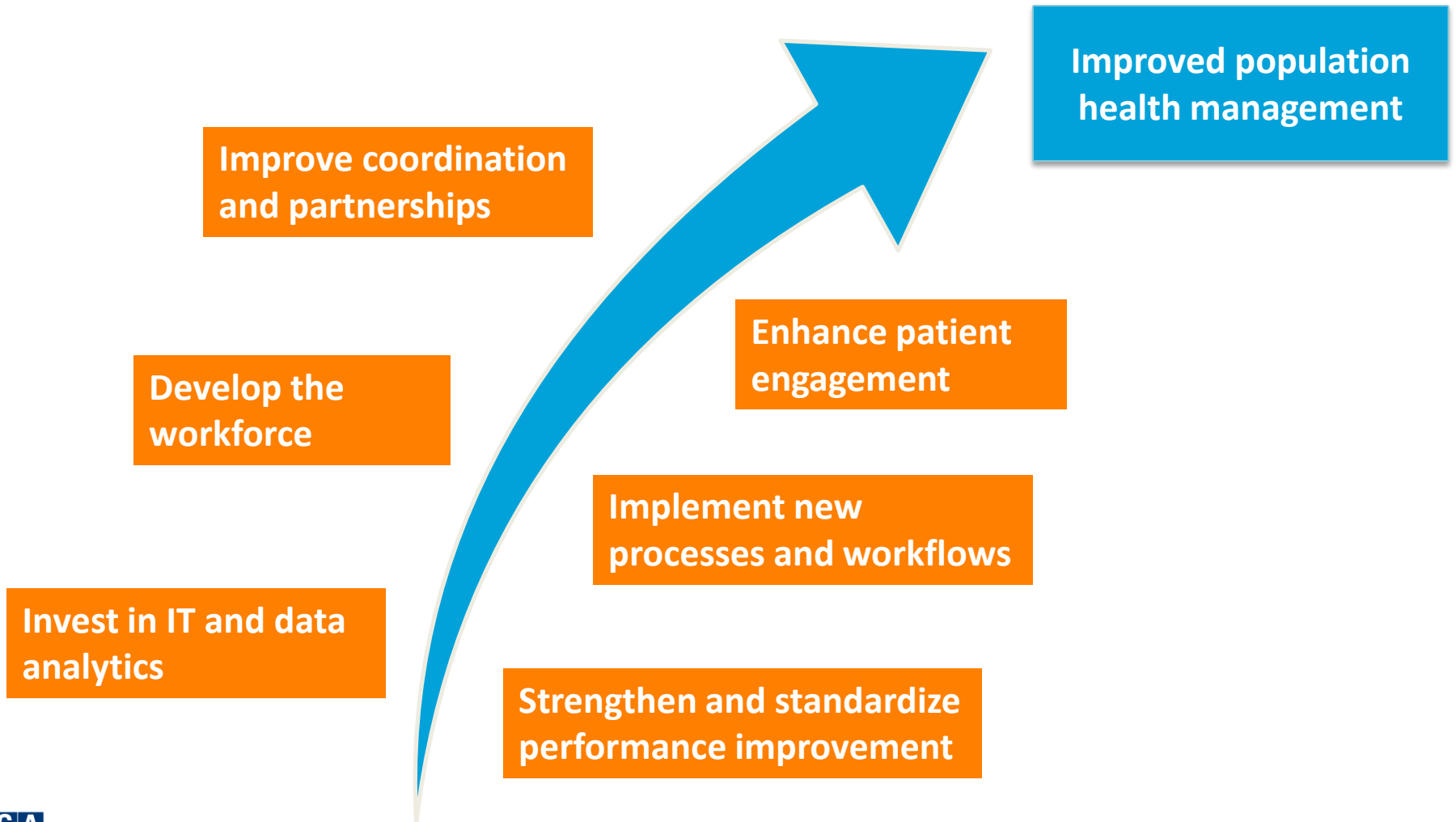
# PRIME Background

- Pay-for-performance program worth up to \$3.26b in federal funds over 5 years
- Successor to CA's first-in-the-nation DSRIP
- Focus on primary and preventive care
- Year-over-year performance improvement targets
  - 10% gap closure between current performance and 90th percentile
  - Must be above 25th percentile to receive payment
  - Performance above 90th percentile must be maintained

# PRIME Structure

- Three domains
  1. Outpatient Delivery System Transformation and Prevention
  2. Targeted High-Risk or High Cost Populations
  3. Resource Utilization Efficiency
- Six Required Projects
  1. Integration of Physical and Behavioral Health
  2. Ambulatory Care Redesign: Primary Care
  3. Ambulatory Care Redesign: Specialty Care
  4. Improved Perinatal Care
  5. Care Transitions: Integration of Post-Acute Care
  6. Complex Care Management for High Risk Medical Populations
- PHS must select 3 additional projects from 12 optional projects

# PRIME Emerging themes of member progress



# PRIME Progress

## Investing in IT and data analytics

Implementing new infrastructure, such as EHR enhancements, eConsult platforms, development of dashboards, and customized registries to more effectively care for patients.

### Examples:

- Kern implemented a new software system that administers patient screenings and surveys electronically.
- Ventura created health maintenance tools and reminders in their EHR to flag for providers when screenings are needed.

## Strengthening and standardizing performance improvement

Utilizing quality improvement principles and methods, such as Lean Management or Model for Improvement, to identify areas for metric/project improvement and to test changes.

### Example:

- Riverside's Ambulatory Care Redesign team implemented PDSAs (Plan-Do-Study-Act) at 10 of the 13 primary care clinics on SBIRT\*, tobacco cessation counseling, diabetes control, hypertension control, REAL\* data completeness, and patient experience.

# PRIME Progress

## Developing the workforce

Engaging employees in change, training staff, and changing staffing models.

### Examples:

- UCSF established multidisciplinary behavioral health integration workgroups with representation from primary care, psychiatry, nursing, social work, population health, and IT teams.
- Alameda Health System enhanced team-based care by training medical assistants to order labs and hiring additional clinic nurses and pharmacists.

## Implementing new processes and workflows

Implementing new workflows and processes, some of which are tech-enabled, to enhance patient care.

### Example:

- San Francisco developed a standard set of REAL categories, created an intake form (now translated into the 5 threshold languages), trained staff and implemented new workflows to collect data.

# PRIME Progress

## Improving coordination and partnerships

Improving coordination internally and enhancing external partnerships to improve performance and patient care.

### Examples:

- Many systems are improving coordination between primary and specialty care through the use of e-consult.
- LA County partnered with the local health information exchange, LANES, to upload complete specialty visit notes in real-time so that they are readily available to partners.

## Enhancing patient engagement

Enhancing patient engagement and touches (outreach and in-reach), including new campaigns and non-traditional services (such as telemedicine and phone visits).

### Example:

- Santa Clara Valley Medical Center developed a care transitions program with a team of registered nurses who initiate interactions with patients while they are hospitalized and facilitate their transition into ambulatory care.



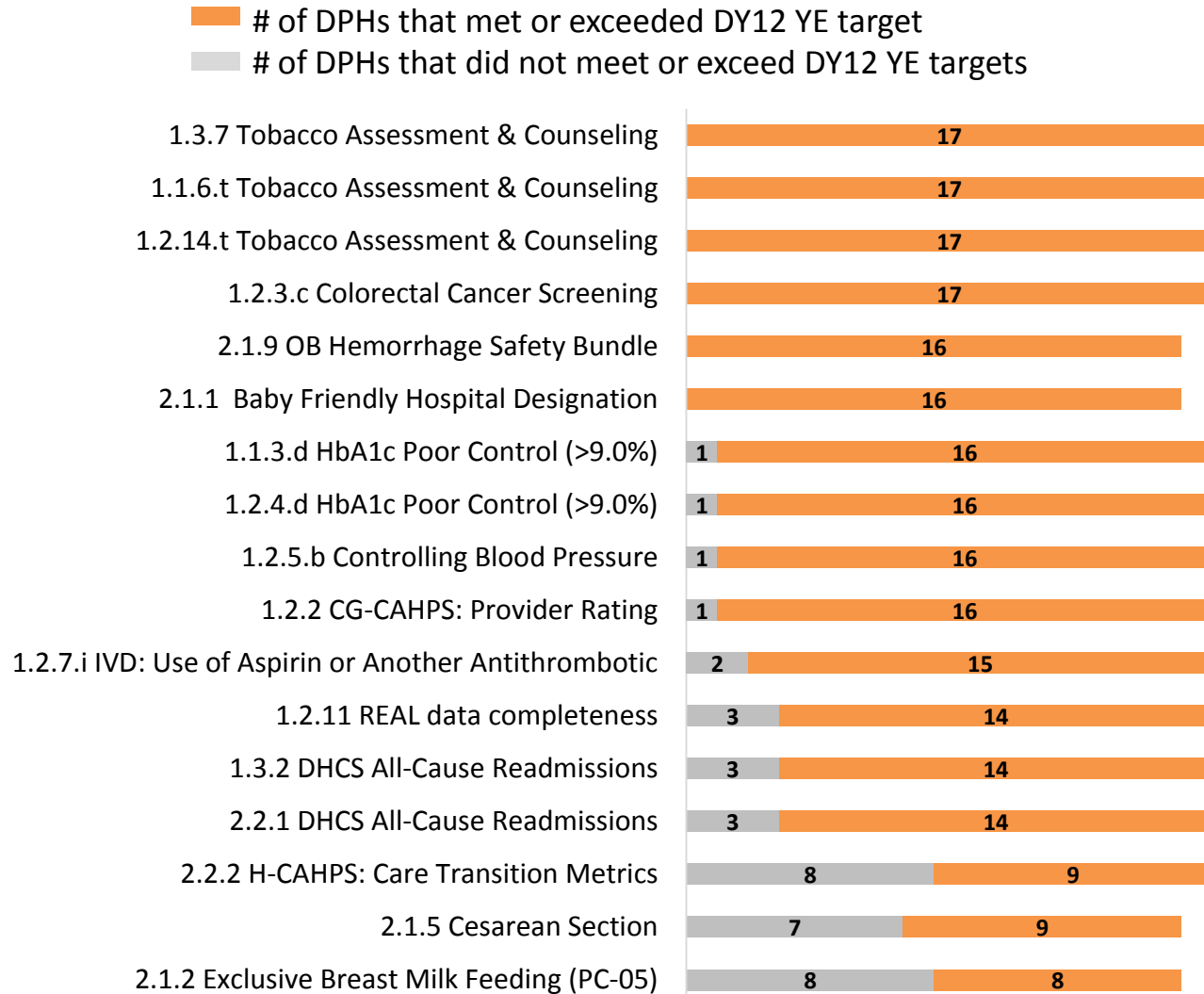
# Contra Costa Health Services and Health Centers



- Participating in Optional Project 1.6: Cancer Screening and Follow-Up
- One individual became a primary care patient in 2016 – her care team saw she was behind on tests and screenings.
- Doctors found early cancer, stage 1, too small to have been detected with self-exam. The patient had surgery before it could grow.
- CCHS hit their DY12 target on breast cancer screening, with 655 more women up-to-date on mammograms than in baseline year

# Pay for Performance Metrics in Required Projects

## # Designated Public Hospitals (DPHs) that Met DY12 Year End (YE) Targets



DY12 YE data has not yet been approved by DHCS.

# PRIME APM Requirement

- Alternative Payment Methodologies (APMs) tie payment to value, not volume and encourage patient-centered care provided in the right place at the right time
- Aligned with goals of PRIME – encourages movement towards primary and preventive care

# PRIME APM Requirement

- Individual requirement:
  - All public health care systems must have an APM contract with at least one Medi-Cal managed care plan in the service area they operate in by January 2018
- Aggregate requirement
  - 50% of Medi-Cal managed care beneficiaries assigned to any public health care system must receive all or a portion of their care under a contracted APM by January 2018
  - Increases to 55% in 2019 and 60% in 2020

# PRIME APM Requirement

- Several members currently have some form of capitation
  - Primary care capitation is most common, some have taken full capitation
- Members are also exploring non-capitated APM models
  - Shared savings and/or shared risk, bundled payments, or episode of care-based payments

# PRIME Takeaways

- Already demonstrating an impact, eg
  - Tobacco assessment and counseling (90% to 94%)
  - Colorectal cancer screening (59% to 65%)
- Importance of data (coding, infrastructure, sharing, reporting and analytics capabilities)
- Comprehensiveness and ambitiousness of PRIME
  - Year over year improvement, challenging performing targets
- Looking ahead – Spread, sustainability and continued improvement

# GPP Background

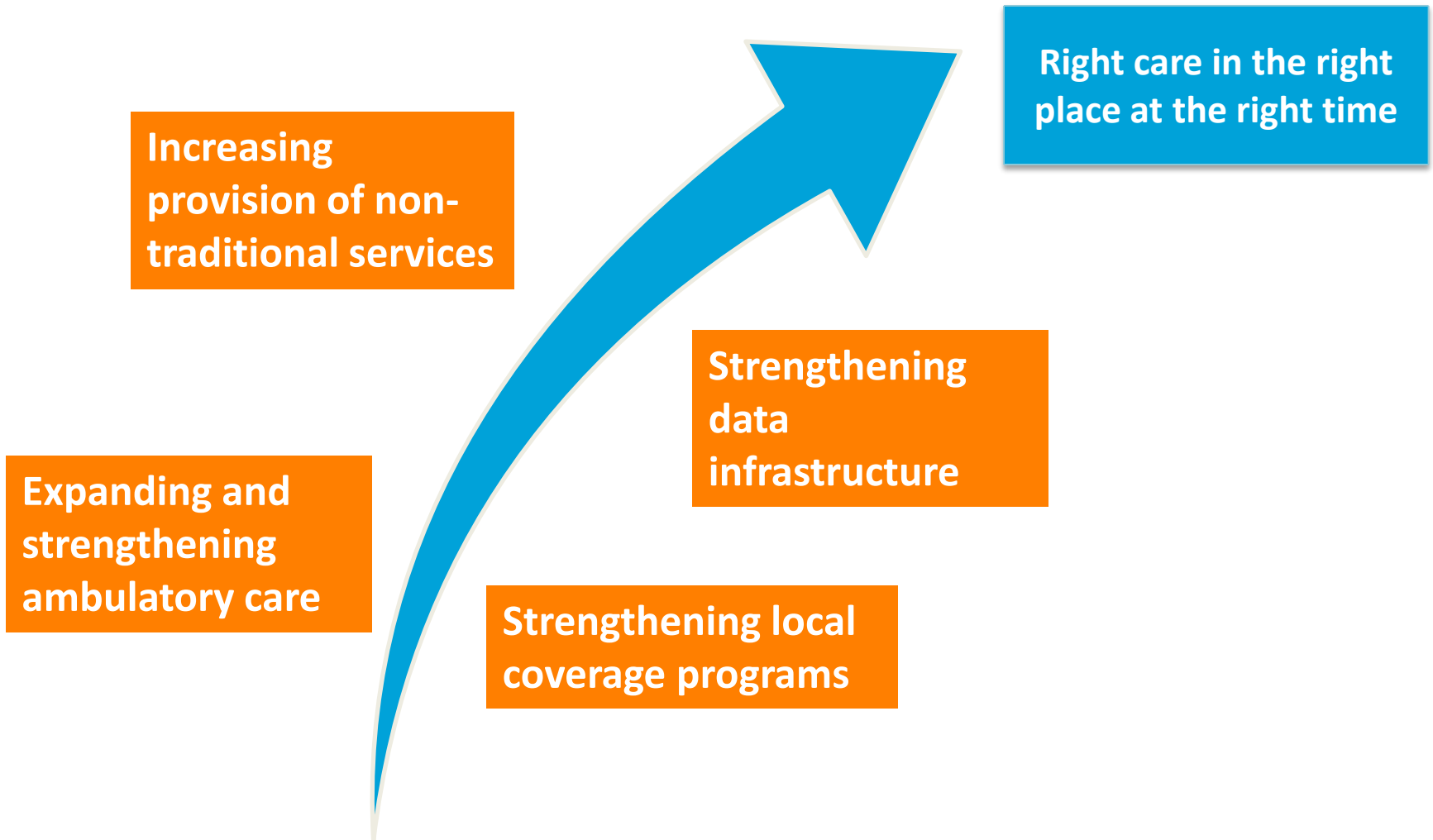
- First-of-its-kind restructuring of existing federal funds for care to the uninsured
  - Federal Medicaid DSH to county hospital systems
  - California’s Safety Net Care Pool
- Previous structure incentivized hospital-based care
- GPP creates financial incentives to shift care towards primary and preventive settings
- Supports “non-traditional” services that were previously un-reimbursable

# GPP Structure

- Each health system is assigned a **global budget** based on historical provision of services to uninsured, and a **service threshold**, which must be met or exceeded to earn its full global budget
- Health systems earn **points** for each eligible service provided to the uninsured, which go towards meeting their thresholds
  - Over time, emergency and inpatient point values decrease, and relative values of other services increase



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- Strengthening data infrastructure through new tracking and reporting
  - Able to capture and report on new types of services
  - Improving data capture from partners and contracted services
- Strengthening local coverage programs
  - GPP has helped counties with existing programs for the uninsured bolster or expand their programs (LA Care has grown by 8,000)

# GPP Emerging themes of member progress

- Leveraging multiple aspects of waiver to transform care
  - Benefits both the uninsured and insured
  - Increasing provision of non-traditional services
    - Outpatient palliative care, telehealth
  - Expanding and strengthening ambulatory care
    - Expanding access (new sites, evening/weekend hours)
    - Improving team-based care and coordination
    - Outreach (call center, wellness events)
    - Expanding access to behavioral health services

# Riverside University Health System



- Partnership with local Catholic Archdiocese for mobile health
- Concerns about behavioral health needs in community
- Provided basic health exams, enrollment assistance, and mental health assessments
- 200 patients over two events – half of whom uninsured
- Events to continue quarterly

# Alameda Health System



- Human Rights Clinic serves individuals seeking asylum in U.S.
- Patient presented in E.R. with extreme weight loss and severe pain
- Tests for colorectal cancer were negative

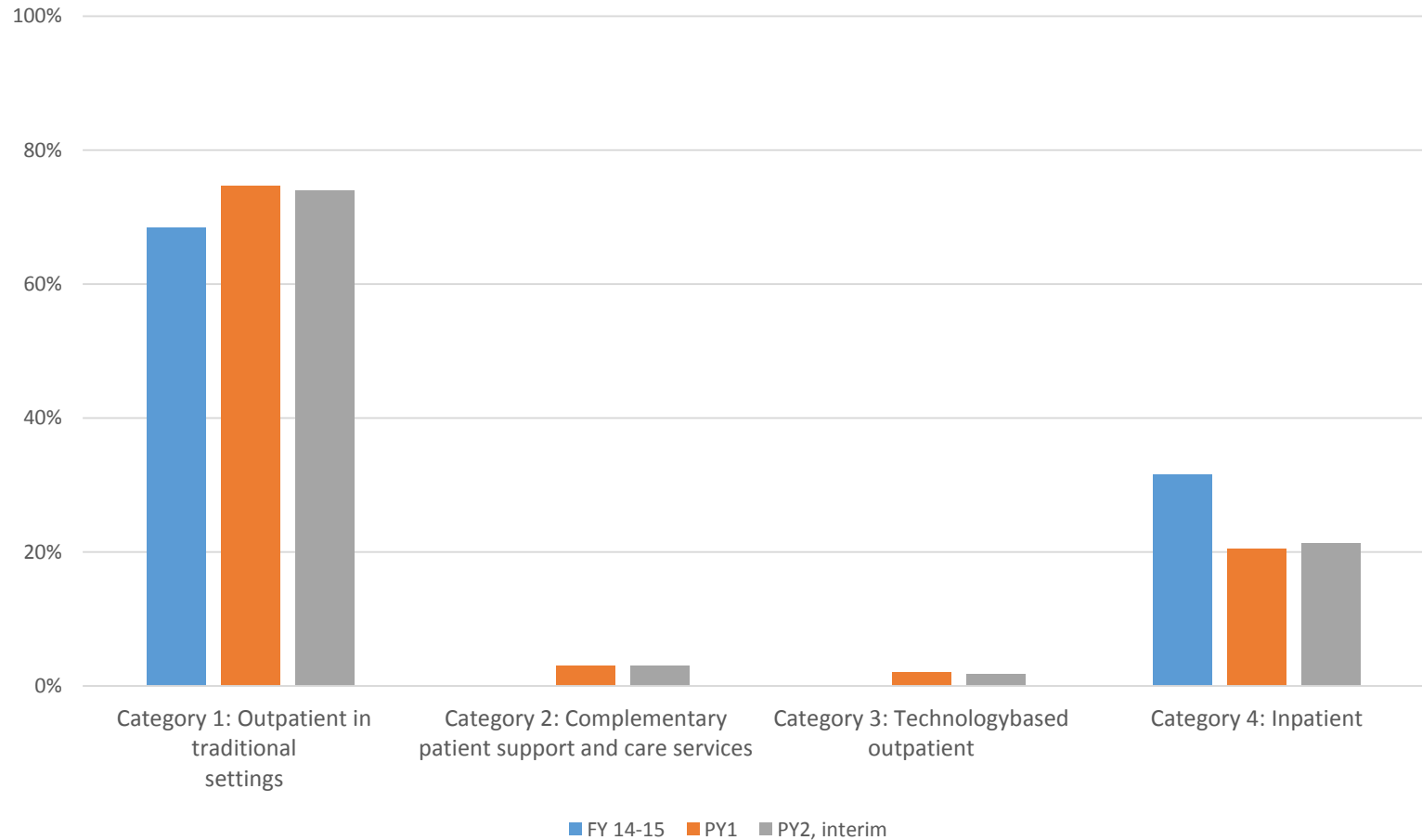
- Patient was seen in Human Rights Clinic, opened up about having been tortured

*“Patients from cultures where mental health issues aren’t generally talked about often have a hard time discussing them, and the conditions end up manifesting physically.” - Dr. Nick Nelson*

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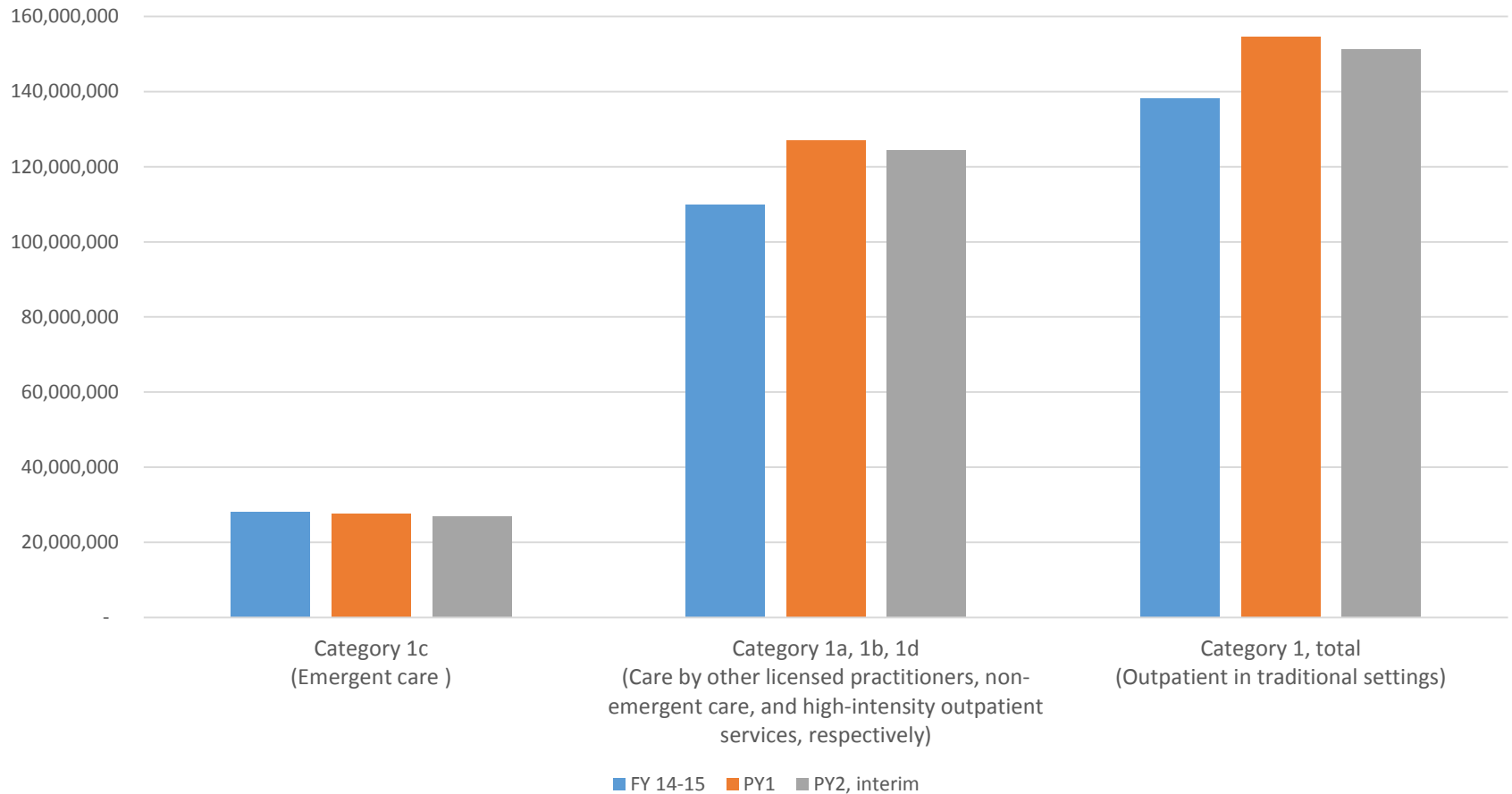
- Program Year 1 Year-End and Program Year 2 Interim data are trending in the right direction compared to baseline

# Percent of GPP Threshold Earned, By Category



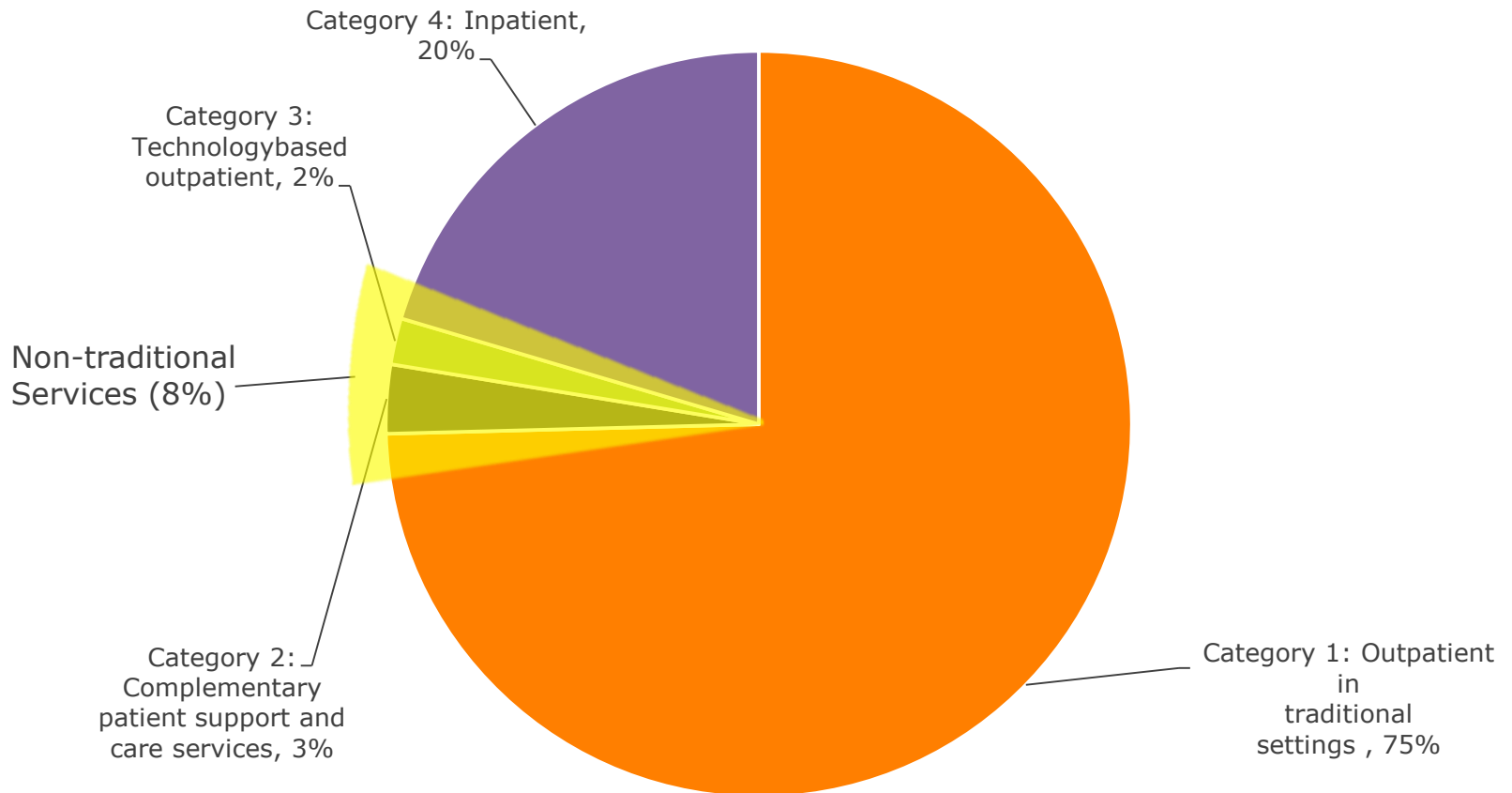
# GPP Progress in Category 1 by Subcategory

Category 1, By Subcategory



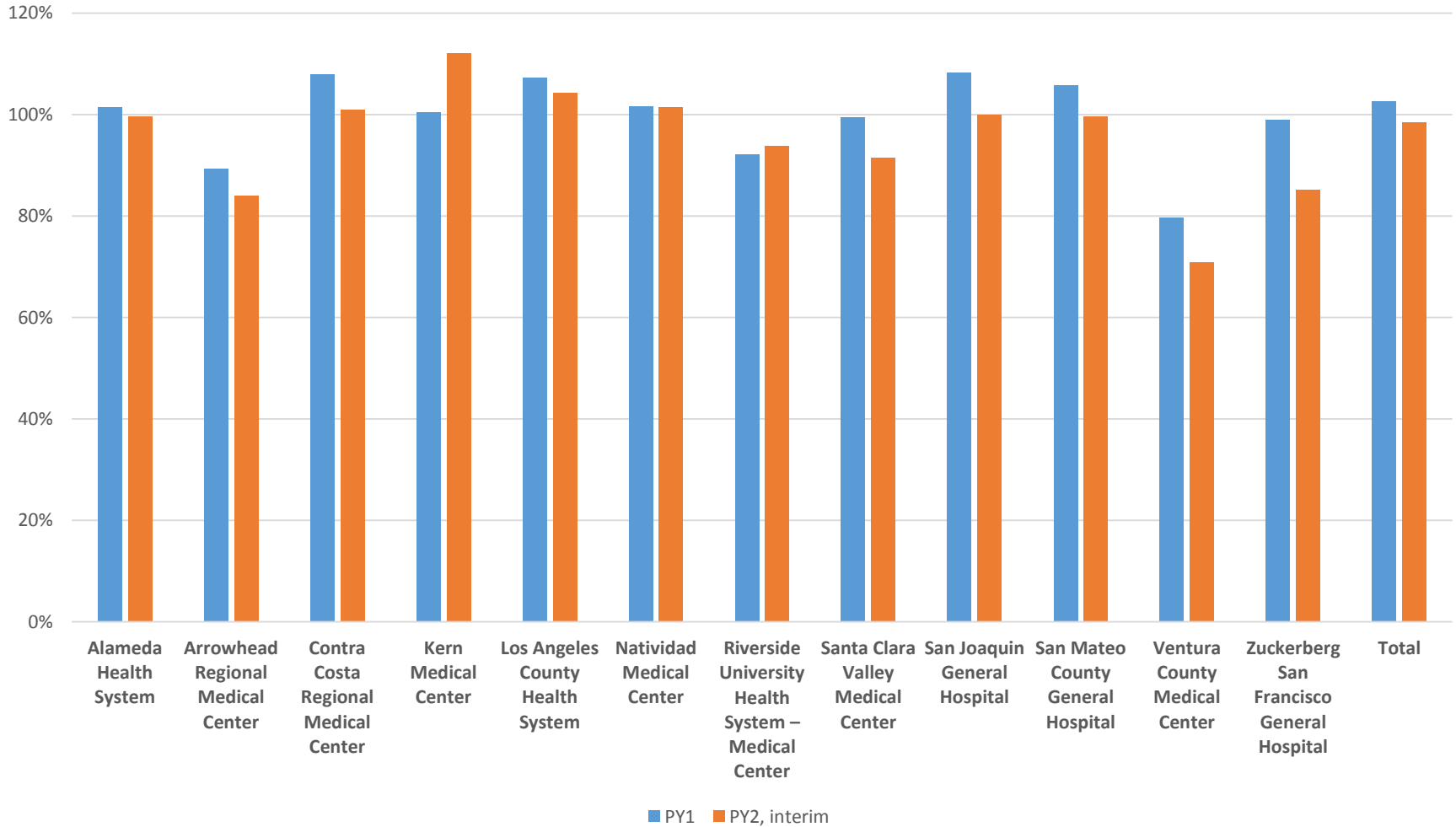


# Percent of GPP Threshold Earned, By Category in PY1



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# GPP Takeaways

- Data capture and reporting is a work in progress
  - IT systems, data sharing, insurance status, coding, workflows
- Expansion of outpatient care is taking place

# Summary

- Key challenges
  - Data infrastructure and sharing
  - Challenging performance targets
  - Cultural change, structural siloes
- Early successes
- Spread and continued improvement