

November 22, 2019

#### NOTICE

The Board of Directors of the Kaweah Delta Health Care District (KDHCD) will meet in an open Board of Directors meeting at 4:00PM on Monday, November 25, 2019 in the Kaweah Delta Medical Center (KDMC) Blue Room {Mineral King Wing (MKW) – 400 West Mineral King Avenue}.

The Board of Directors of the KDHCD will meet in a closed Board of Directors meeting at 5:31PM on Monday, November 25, 2019 in the KDMC Blue Room pursuant to Health and Safety Code 32155, 1461, 32106 and Government Code 54956.9(d)(2).

The Board of Directors of the KDHCD will meet in an open Board of Directors meeting at 6:00PM on Monday, November 25, 2019 in the KDMC Blue Room.

The Board of Directors of the KDHCD will meet in a closed Board of Directors meeting immediately following the 6:00PM on Monday, November 25, 2019 in the KDMC Blue Room {MKW – 400 West Mineral King Ave} pursuant to Government Code 54957(b)(1).

The Board of Directors of the KDHCD will meet in an open Board of Directors meeting immediately following the second closed session on Monday, November 25, 2019 in the Kaweah Delta Medical Center Blue Room (Mineral King Wing – 400 West Mineral King Avenue).

All Kaweah Delta Health Care District regular board meeting and committee meeting notices and agendas are posted 72 hours prior to meetings (special meetings are posted 24 hours prior to meetings) in the Kaweah Delta Medical Center, Mineral King Wing entry corridor between the Mineral King lobby and the Emergency Department waiting room.

The disclosable public records related to agendas are available for public inspection at the Kaweah Delta Medical Center – Acequia Wing, Executive Offices (Administration Department) {1st floor}, 400 West Mineral King Avenue, Visalia, CA and on the Kaweah Delta Health Care District web page http://www.kaweahdelta.org.

KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT Nevin House, Secretary/Treasurer

Cindy moccio

Cindy Moccio - Board Clerk / Executive Assistant to CEO

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Legal Counsel Executive Team



### KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Kaweah Delta Medical Center (Blue Room) 400 West Mineral King Avenue, Visalia www.KaweahDelta.org

Monday November 25, 2019

### **OPEN MEETING AGENDA {4:00PM}**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION Members of the public may comment on agenda items before action is taken and after the item has been discussed by the Board. Each speaker will be allowed five minutes. Members of the public wishing to address the Board concerning items not on the agenda and within the subject matter jurisdictions of the Board are requested to identify themselves at this time.
- 4. MASTER PLANNING Review and discussion of master planning process and options for Kaweah Delta Health Care District.
  - Joe Balbona, President and Kevin Boots, Senior Vice President RBB Architects, Inc.
- 5. APPROVAL OF THE CLOSED AGENDA 5:31PM
  - 5.1. Approval of closed meeting minutes September 23, 2019 and October 28, 2019.
  - 5.2. Report involving trade secrets {Health and Safety Code 32106} Proposed new services/programs – estimated date of disclosure - March 2020 – Gary Herbst, Chief Executive Officer
  - 5.3. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2) – 1 Case – Dennis Lynch, Legal Counsel
  - 5.4. Quality Assurance pursuant to Health and Safety Code 32155 and 1461, report of quality assurance committee – Byron Mendenhall, MD, Chief of Staff
  - 5.5. Credentialing Medical Executive Committee (October 2019) requests that the appointment, reappointment and other credentialing activity regarding clinical privileges and staff membership recommended by the respective department chiefs, the credentials committee and the Medical Executive Committee be

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reviewed for approval pursuant to Health and Safety Code 1461 and 32155 – Byron Mendenhall, MD, Chief of Staff

#### **ADJOURN**

### **CLOSED MEETING AGENDA {5:31PM}**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

1. APPROVAL OF CLOSED MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 AND OCTOBER 28, **2019** 

Action Requested – Approval of the closed meeting minutes – September 23, 2019 and October 28, 2019

- 2. REPORT INVOLVING TRADE SECRETS {Health and Safety Code 32106} Discussion of proposed new services/programs – estimated date of disclosure - March 2020 Gary Herbst, Chief Executive Officer
- 3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2) – 1 Case Dennis Lynch, Legal Counsel
- 4. QUALITY ASSURANCE pursuant to Health and Safety Code 32155 and 1461, report of quality assurance committee – Byron Mendenhall, MD, Chief of Staff
- 5. **CREDENTIALING** Medical Executive Committee (September 2019) requests that the appointment, reappointment and other credentialing activity regarding clinical privileges and staff membership recommended by the respective department chiefs, the credentials committee and the Medical Executive Committee be reviewed for approval pursuant to Health and Safety Code 1461 and 32155

Byron Mendenhall, MD, Chief of Staff

### **ADJOURN**

### **OPEN MEETING AGENDA (6:00PM)**

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 3. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – Members of the public may comment on agenda items before action is taken and after the item has been discussed by the Board. Each speaker will be allowed five minutes. Members of the public wishing to address the Board concerning items not on the agenda and within the subject matter jurisdictions of the Board are requested to identify themselves at this time.

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- **CLOSED SESSION ACTION TAKEN** Report on action(s) taken in closed session. 4.
- 5. OPEN MINUTES – Request approval of the September 23, 2019 and October 28, 2019 open board of directors meeting minutes.
  - Action Requested Approval of the open meeting minutes September 23, 2019 and October 28, 2019 open board of directors meeting minutes.
- 6. **RECOGNITION** – Presentation of Resolution 2058 to Kristin Braswell - Service Excellence Award – November 2019 – David Francis
- 7. **CONSENT CALENDAR** - All matters under the Consent Calendar will be approved by one motion, unless a Board member request separate action on a specific item.

### 7.1. REPORTS

- A. **Medical Staff Recruitment**
- **Renal Services** B.
- C. **Medical Critical Care**
- **Orthopedic Services** D.
- **Home Health** E.
- F. 202 West Willow, LLC

#### 7.2. POLICIES

#### A. **ADMINISTRATIVE**

1)	Use of Guide Dogs name changed to: Accommodating	
	Persons with Service Animals	AP.73 Revised
2)	Patient Privacy Use & Disclosure of Patient Information	AP.107 Revised
3)	Patient Elopement Critical Incident Response	
	– Code Green	AP.133 Revised
4)	Animal Assisted Activities / Therapy (AAA/AAT)	AP.104 Revised
5)	Foreign language forms, signs, etc.	AP.18 Revised
6)	Interpreter Services	AP.122 Revised
7)	<u>Bioethics Committee</u>	AP.97 Revised
8)	Proper Addressing of Interoffice Mail	AP.95 Delete

#### В. **ENVIRONMENT OF CARE**

1)	Wireless Duress System	EOC 1015	Revised
2)	Facility Fire Response Plan	EOC 5001	Revised

### 7.3. Recommendation from the Medical Executive Committee (NOVEMBER 2019)

- Medical Staff Policy Α.
  - 1) MS.50 Late Career Policy (Deleted)
- **7.4.** Approval of Resolution 2055 rejecting the claim on behalf of Thomas Roy Cisneros vs. Kaweah Delta Health Care District.

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Recommended Action: Approve the November 25, 2019 Consent Calendar.

- 8. QUALITY - SURGICAL SERVICES QUALITY REPORT - A review of performance on the key quality measures in the National Surgical Quality Improvement Program (NSQIP) as administered by the American College of Surgeons.
  - Lamar Mack, MD, Physician Champion NSQIP
- 9. **CLEVELAND CLINIC** – Status of implementation plans and opportunities relative to the Kaweah Delta affiliation with Cleveland Clinic Heart and Vascular Institute.
  - Regina Sawyer, RN, Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer, Barry Royce, Director of Cardiovascular Service Line and Cardiovascular Co-Management Program
- 10. KAWEAH DELTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ZONE III Discussion of appointment process for filling the Zone III Kaweah Delta Health Care District Board seat. Dennis Lynch, Legal Counsel & Gary Herbst, Chief Executive Officer
- 11. FINANCIALS Review of the most current fiscal year 2020 financial results. Malinda Tupper, VP & Chief Financial Officer
- 12. STRATEGIC PLAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT Update and discussion relative to growth and development.
  - Marc Mertz, Vice President of Strategic Planning and Business Development
- 13. CREDENTIALING Medical Executive Committee requests that the appointment, reappointment and other credentialing activity regarding clinical privileges and staff membership recommended by the respective department chiefs, the credentials committee and the Medical Executive Committee be reviewed for approval.

Byron Mendenhall, MD, Chief of Staff

Recommended Action: Whereas a thorough review of all required information and supporting documentation necessary for the consideration of initial applications, reappointments, request for additional privileges, advance from provision al status and release from proctoring and resignations (pursuant to the Medical Staff bylaws) has been completed by the Directors of the clinical services, the Credentials Committee, and the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff, for all of the medical staff scheduled for reappointment, Whereas the basis for the recommendations now before the Board of Trustees regarding initial applications, reappointments, request for additional privileges, advance from provision al status and release from proctoring and resignations has been predicated upon the required reviews, including all supporting documentation, Be it therefore resolved that the following medical staff be approved or reappointed (as applicable), as attached, to the organized medical staff of Kaweah Delta Health Care District for a two year period unless otherwise specified, with physicianspecific privileges granted as recommended by the Chief of Service, the Credentials Committee, and the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff and as will be documented on each medical

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staff member's letter of initial application approval and reappointment from the Board of Trustees and within their individual credentials files.

#### 14. REPORTS

- 14.1. Chief of Staff – Report relative to current Medical Staff events and issues. Byron Mendenhall, MD, Chief of Staff
- 14.2. Chief Executive Officer Report -Report relative to current events and issues. Gary Herbst, Chief Executive Officer
  - District Hospital Leadership Forum
  - Federally Qualified Health Center
  - Alta Board Meeting Boundaries
- 14.3. Board President - Report relative to current events and issues. Lynn Havard Mirviss, Board President
- 15. APPROVAL OF CLOSED AGENDA AS FOLLOWS: Closed Meeting Agenda Kaweah Delta Medical Center Blue Room – Immediately following the open session
  - CEO Evaluation Discussion of with the Board and the Chief Executive Officer relative to the evaluation of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Government Code 54957(b)(1) – Dennis Lynch, Legal Counsel & Board of Directors

### **ADJOURN**

### CLOSED MEETING AGENDA

- **CALL TO ORDER** 1.
- 2. **CEO EVALUATION** – Board and the Chief Executive Officer relative to the evaluation of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Government Code 54957(b)(1) Dennis Lynch, Legal Counsel & Board of Directors
- 3. **ADJOURN**

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### Approve agenda

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1. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER CONTRACT – Compensation review and adjustment / review and approval of Chief Executive Officer Contract.

Dennis Lynch, Legal Counsel

### **Adjourn**

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# KAWEAH DELTA MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT HOSPITAL MASTER PLANNING SERVICES

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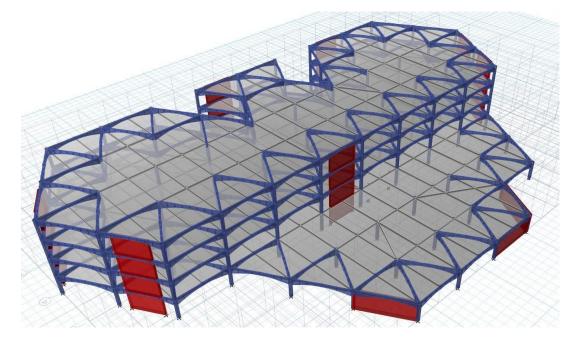
# SPC STRUCTURAL OPTIONS UPDATE

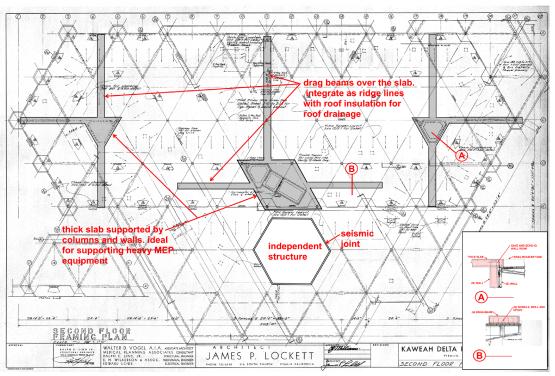
STRUCTURAL PERFORMANCE CATEGORY

# MINERAL KING STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS – FLOOR REMOVAL: STATUS UPDATE

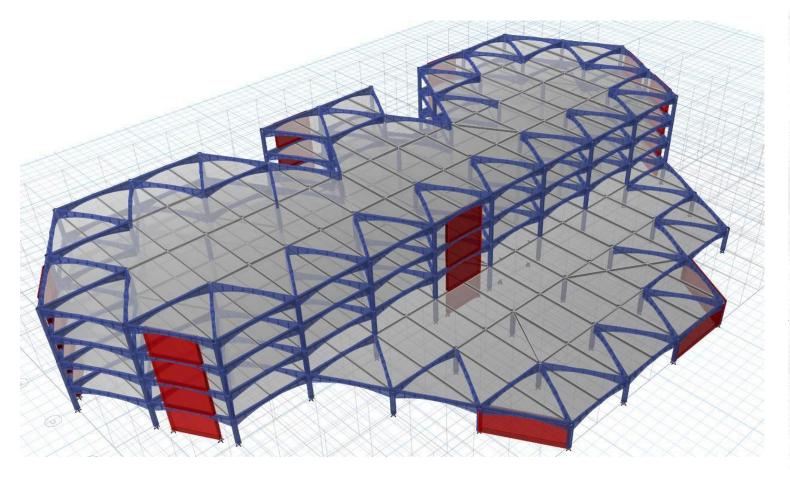
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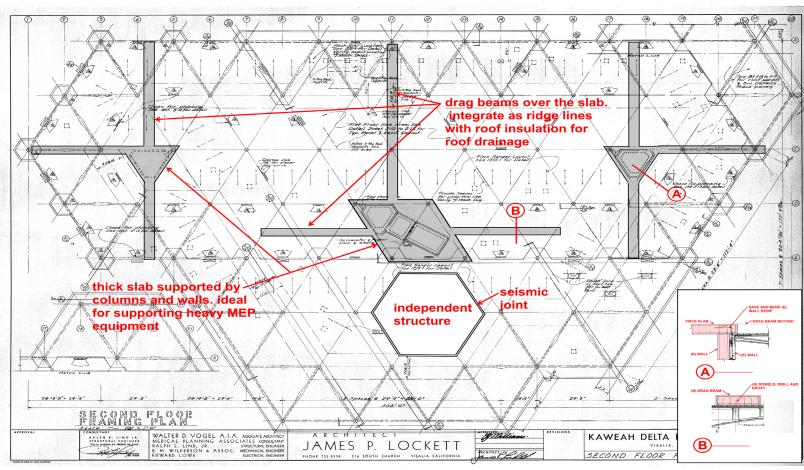
- COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING ANALYTICAL STUDIES:
  - 1. BASELINE RETROFIT CONVENTIONAL SHEAR WALLS (Previous Report Based on This)
  - 2. REMOVAL OF 2 UPPER FLOORS
  - 3. REMOVAL OF ALL UPPER FLOORS, LEAVE GROUND FLOOR
- HAVE NOT STARTED ANY PHYSICAL TESTING





# MINERAL KING STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS – FLOOR REMOVAL: STATUS UPDATE





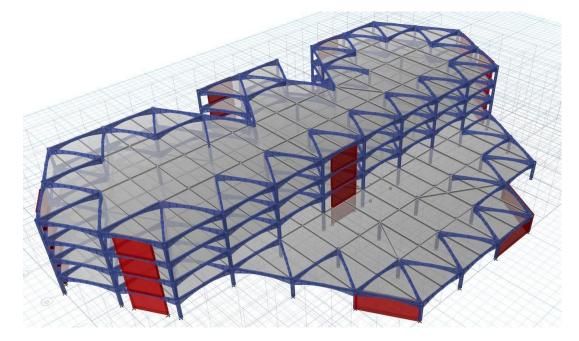
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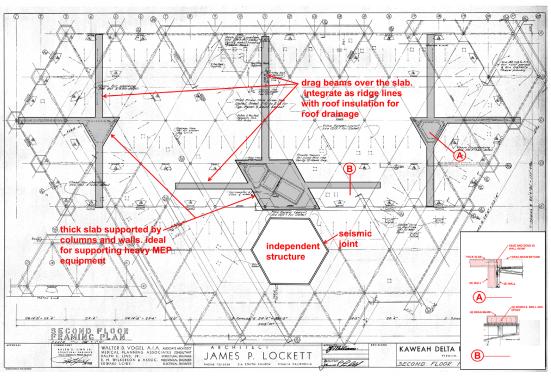
Remove All Floors: Conventional Shear Wall Retrofit

# MINERAL KING STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS – FLOOR REMOVAL: STATUS UPDATE

### **FINDINGS**:

- VERY CHALLANGING TO ACHIEVE FLOOR
   REMOVAL WITHOUT CLOSING MK BUILDING
  - PATIENT/STAFF SAFETY
  - INFECTION CONTROL CHALLANGES
  - LONG DURATION AND HIGH COST OF COMPLEXITY
- TECHNICALLY FEASIBLE ONLY <u>IF</u> MATERIAL AND MODELING ASSUMPTIONS ARE VALIDATED/ACCEPTED BY OSHPD





# **MATERIAL TESTING: STATUS UPDATE**

- OSHPD APPROVAL OF BOTH MATERIAL TESTING AND CONDITION ASSESSMENT
  - FROM SEISMIC COMPLIANCE UNIT
- NEXT STEPS:
  - 1. OBTAIN APPROVAL FROM OSHPD TO OBTAIN AND TEST CORE SAMPLES (REVIEW IN PROGRESS)
  - TAKE CONCRETE CORE SAMPLES (MAX OF 10) IN JAN 2020
  - 3. REVIEW TEST RESULTS
    - IF ACCETABLE, CONTINUE.
    - IF UNACCEPTABLE, STOP.

### OSHPD

Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development

Facilities Development Division 2020 West El Camino Avenue, Suite 800 Sacramento, CA 95833 (916) 440-8300 (916) 324-9188 Fax



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We have reviewed the Material Testing and Condition Assessment Program (MTCAP) revision dated April 30, 2019 as partial satisfaction of the SPC-4D requirements of SB 1953 for the following building:

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This letter constitutes a written approval of the MTCAP as proposed and revised. Our approval does not authorize or approve any omission or deviation from applicable regulations nor does it address fire life safety issues. Should conditions develop that are not covered by the approved documents, a change order detailing and specifying the required work must be submitted for our review and approval.

If you need further information regarding SB1953, you may visit our web site at www.oshpd.ca.gov/fdd, or you can contact me at Alireza.Asgari @oshpd.ca.gov, or by phone at (916) 440-8473.

Sincerely

Alireza Asgari, Ph.D., S.E. Senior Structural Engineer Seismic Compliance Unit

cc: Julieta Moncada - Kaweah Delta Health Care District

# **MATERIAL TESTING: STATUS UPDATE**

- BIG PICTURE
  - IN DEPTH ANALYTICAL MODELING AND SCALE COMPENENT TESTING HAS NOT STARTED.
    - TESTING WILL NOT COMMENCE IF CORE SAMPLES AND CONDITION ASSESSMENTS ARE NOT FAVORABLE
    - RISK OF NON-SUCCESSFUL TESTING AND OUTCOME IS STILL PRESENT
  - THIS PROGRAM IS BEING EXECUTED INCREMENTALLY
    - PROGRAM CAN STOP AT ANY TIME

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Sincerely

Alireza Asgari, Ph.D., S.E. Senior Structural Engineer Seismic Compliance Unit

cc: Julieta Moncada - Kaweah Delta Health Care Distric

# NPC STRUCTURAL UPDATE

**NON - STRUCTURAL PERFORMANCE CATEGORY** 

# NPC 2030 COMPLIANCE

 NPC – 2 REQUIRED FOR ALL BUIDLINGS BY JAN 1, 2020: DONE!



- NPC-4D OSHPD ACCEPTED: STARTS JAN 1, 2020 WITH 2019 CBC
  - NPC-3 STILL HAS TO HAPPEN BY 2030, PLUS MIN LEVEL 1
     COMPLIANCE
  - MORE TIME TO DO NPC UPGRADES, FOCUS ON CRITICAL AREAS FIRST
    - NEED EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN AND SHOW PROGRESS OVER TIME

# NPC 2030 COMPLIANCE

**CO-GEN** 

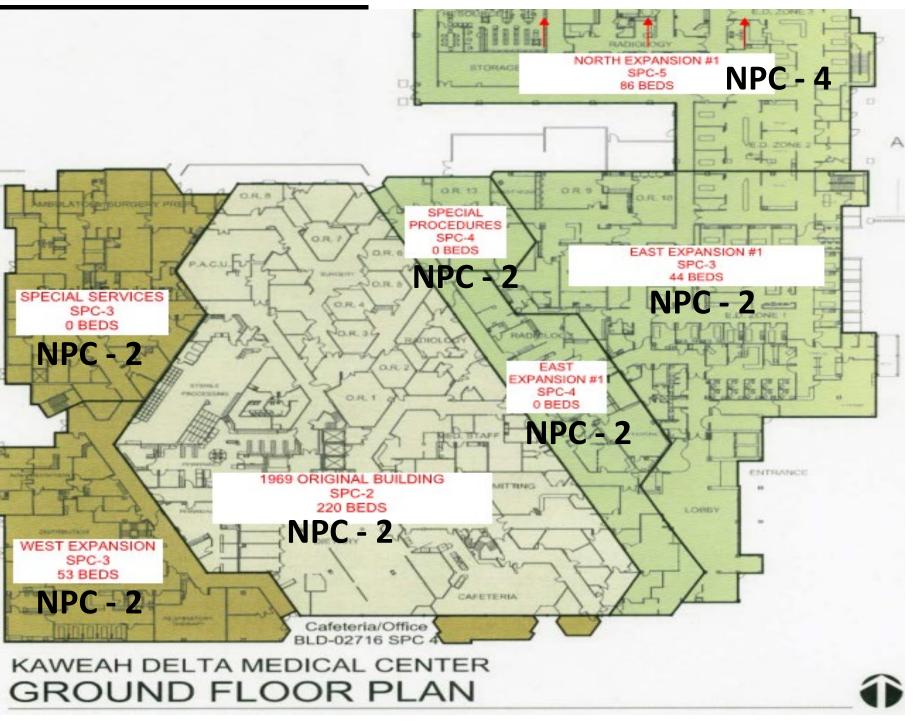
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NPC - 2

**DIETARY ADD.** 

NPC-4s

ED ADD.
NPC-4s



### **RESULT:**

All BUILDING W/ THE EXCEPTION OF NORTH EXPANSION, DIETARY ADDITION AND ED ADDITION REQUIRE NPC UPGRADES BY 2030

# **NPC COMPLIANCE**

Updates from Paul Coleman/OSHPD Oct. 1, 2018



### **NPC Deadlines**

- By January 1, 2024, the hospital owner shall submit to the Office a complete nonstructural evaluation up to NPC 4 or 4D and NPC 5, for each building to remain in acute care service beyond January 1, 2030
- By January 1, 2026, the hospital owner shall submit to the Office construction documents for NPC 4 or 4D or NPC 5 compliance, that are deemed ready for review by the Office, for each building to remain in acute care service beyond January 1, 2030

# **NPC COMPLIANCE**

Updates from Paul Coleman/OSHPD Oct. 1, 2018



### **NPC Deadlines**

- By January 1, 2028, the hospital owner shall obtain a building permit to begin construction for NPC-4 or NPC-4D and NPC-5 for each building to remain in acute care service beyond January 1, 2030. Hospitals not meeting this deadline shall not be issued a building permit except for:
  - Seismic compliance
  - Maintenance
  - Emergency repairs
- Hospitals must be NPC 4D or NPC 4 and NPC 5 by 2030

# **NPC COMPLIANCE**

Updates from Paul Coleman/OSHPD Oct. 1, 2018



### NPC work to be included in remodels/renovations

 After January 1, 2028, buildings with NPC rating less than 4, all remodels/renovations, or other construction work, shall include anchorage and/or bracing of all equipment and services within the boundary of the scope of work that is not in compliance with NPC 4

# SPC Structural Options for Mineral King

- Retrofit SPC-4D assumes legislative extension
  - Requires New Construction in Phase 1 for beds
  - Cant be started until Phase 1 is complete to avoid losing beds
  - Pros Continued use of MK after retrofit
  - Cons outlined in 2016 KPFF Report
- Removal of Floors SPC-4D assumes legislative extension
  - Requires New Construction of beds in Phase 1
  - Cant be started until Phase 1 is complete
  - Pros Continued use of 1<sup>st</sup> floor Ancillary
  - Cons major disruption to occupied portions
- Re-Purpose OSHPD1R (non Acute Care) assumes legislative extension
  - Requires New Construction of beds and Ancillary in Phase 1 & 2
  - Cant be started until Phase 2 is complete
  - Pros Continued use of refurbished building. Does not require structural retrofit
  - Cons May not be cost effective, requires code upgrades



# Master Plan Strategy

# PROJECT SCENARIOS – PHASE 1

### **SCENARIO 1**

- \* 240 beds (240 beds possible)
- \* 8 floors + 1 ground floor (non beds)
- \* 21730 SF x 9 floors = 195,570 BGSF x \$1,700 = \$332,469,000
- \* 500 Car Parking Structure = \$15,000,000
- \* \$347,512,091 Total Project Cost (2019 \$)
- \* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$457,238,989

### **SCENARIO 1A**

- \* 120 beds (240 beds possible)
- \* 4 floors + 1 ground floor (non beds) + 4 shell bed floors
- \* 21,730 SF x 5 floors = 108,650 BGSF x \$1,700 = \$184,705,000
- \* 21,730 SF x 4 shell floors = 86,920 BGSF x \$980 = \$85,181,600
- \* 500 Car Parking Structure = \$15,000,000
- \* \$284,929,691 Total Project Cost (2019 \$)
- \* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$374,896,204

### **SCENARIO 2**

- \* 210 beds (210 beds possible)
- \* 7 floors + 1 ground floor (non beds)
- \* 21,730 SF x 8 floors = 173,840 BGSF x \$1,700 = \$295,528,000
- \* 500 Car Parking Structure = \$15,000,000
- \* \$310,571,091 Total Project Cost (2019 \$)
- \* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$408,633,873

### **SCENARIO 3**

- \* 180 beds (180 beds possible)
- \* 6 floors + 1 ground floor (non beds)
- \* 21,730 SF x 7 floors = 152,110 BGSF x \$1,700 = \$258,587,000
- \* 500 Car Parking Structure = \$15,000,000
- \* \$273,630,091 Total Project Cost (2019 \$)
- \* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$360,028,757

### **SCENARIO 4**

- \* 150 beds (150 beds possible)
- \* 5 floors + 1 ground floor (non beds)
- \* 21,730 SF x 6 floors = 130,380 BGSF x \$1,700 = \$221,646,000
- \* 500 Car Parking Structure = \$15,000,000
- \* \$236,689,091 Total Project Cost (2019 \$)
- \* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$300,892,407

### **SCENARIO 4A**

- \* 90 beds (150 beds possible)
- \* 3 floors + 1 ground floor (non beds) + 2 shell bed floors
- \* 21,730 SF x 4 floors = 86,920 BGSF x \$1,700 = \$147,764,000
- \* 21,730 SF x 2 shell floors = 43,460 BGSF x \$980 = \$42,590,800
- \* 500 Car Parking Structure = \$15,000,000
- \* \$205,397,891 Total Project Cost (2019 \$)
- \* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$261,113,284



# PROJECT SCENARIOS – PHASE 1

### **SCENARIO 5**

- \* 150 beds (150 beds possible)
- \* 5 floors + 0 ground floor (non beds)
- \* 21,730 SF x 5 floors = 108,650 BGSF x \$1,700 = \$184,705,000
- \* 21,730 SF x 0 shell floors = BGSF x \$980 = \$0
- \* 435 Car Parking Structure = \$13,050,000
- \* \$197,755,435 Total Project Cost (2019 \$)
- \* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$251,397,767

### **SCENARIO 5A**

- \* 90 beds (120 beds possible)
- \* 3 floors + 1 ground floor (non beds) + 1 shell bed floors
- \* 21,730 SF x 4 floors = 86,920 BGSF x \$1,700 = \$147,764,000
- \* 21,730 SF x 1 shell floors = 21,730 BGSF x \$980 = \$21,295,400
- \* 435 Car Parking Structure = \$13,050,000
- \* \$182,152,426 Total Project Cost (2019 \$)
- \* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$231,562,349

### **SCENARIO 6**

- \* 90 beds (90 beds possible)
- \* 3 floors + 1 ground floor (non beds)
- \* 21,730 SF x 4 floors = 86,920 BGSF x \$1,700 = \$147,764,000
- \* 21,730 SF x 0 shell floors = BGSF x \$980 = \$0
- \* 348 Car Parking Structure = \$10,440,000
- \* \$158,246,939 Total Project Cost (2019 \$)
- \* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$201,172,357

### **SCENARIO 6A**

- \* 60 beds (120 beds possible)
- \* 2 floors + 0 ground floor (non beds) + 2 shell bed floors
- \* 21,730 SF x 2 floors = 43,460 BGSF x \$1,700 = \$73,882,000
- \* 21,730 SF x 2 floors = 43,460 BGSF x \$980 = \$42,590,800
- \* 348 Car Parking Structure = \$10,440,000
- \* \$126,913,148 Total Project Cost (2019 \$)
- \* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$161,339,090

### **SCENARIO 7**

- \* 60 beds (60 beds possible)
- \* 2 floors + 1 ground floor (non beds)
- \* 21,730 SF x 3 floors = 65,190 BGSF x \$1,700 = \$110,823,000
- \* 21,730 SF x 0 shell floors = BGSF x \$980 = \$0
- \* 261 Car Parking Structure = \$7,830,000
- \* \$118,695,852 Total Project Cost (2019 \$)
- \* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$145,790,149



# PROJECT SCENARIOS – PHASE 1

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SCENARIO 8
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* 240 beds ( 240 beds possible)

* 8 floors + 0 ground floor (non beds)

* 21,730 SF x 8 floors = 173,840 BGSF x $1,700 = $295,528,000

* 21,730 SF x 0 shell floors = - BGSF x $980 = $0

* 36,724 SF x 2 D&T floors = 73,447 BGSF x $2,400 = $176,273,760

* 500 Car Parking Structure = $15,000,000

* $486,946,217 Total Project Cost (2019 $)
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\* Total Project Cost Escalated of \$640,699,423

### **SCENARIO 8A**

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* 60 beds ( 240 beds possible)

* 2 floors + 0 ground floor (non beds) + 6 shell bed floors

* 21,730 SF x 2 floors = 43,460 BGSF x $1,700 = $73,882,000

* 21,730 SF x 6 shell floors = 130,380 BGSF x $980 = $127,772,400

* 36,724 SF x 0 D&T floors = - BGSF x $2,400 = $0

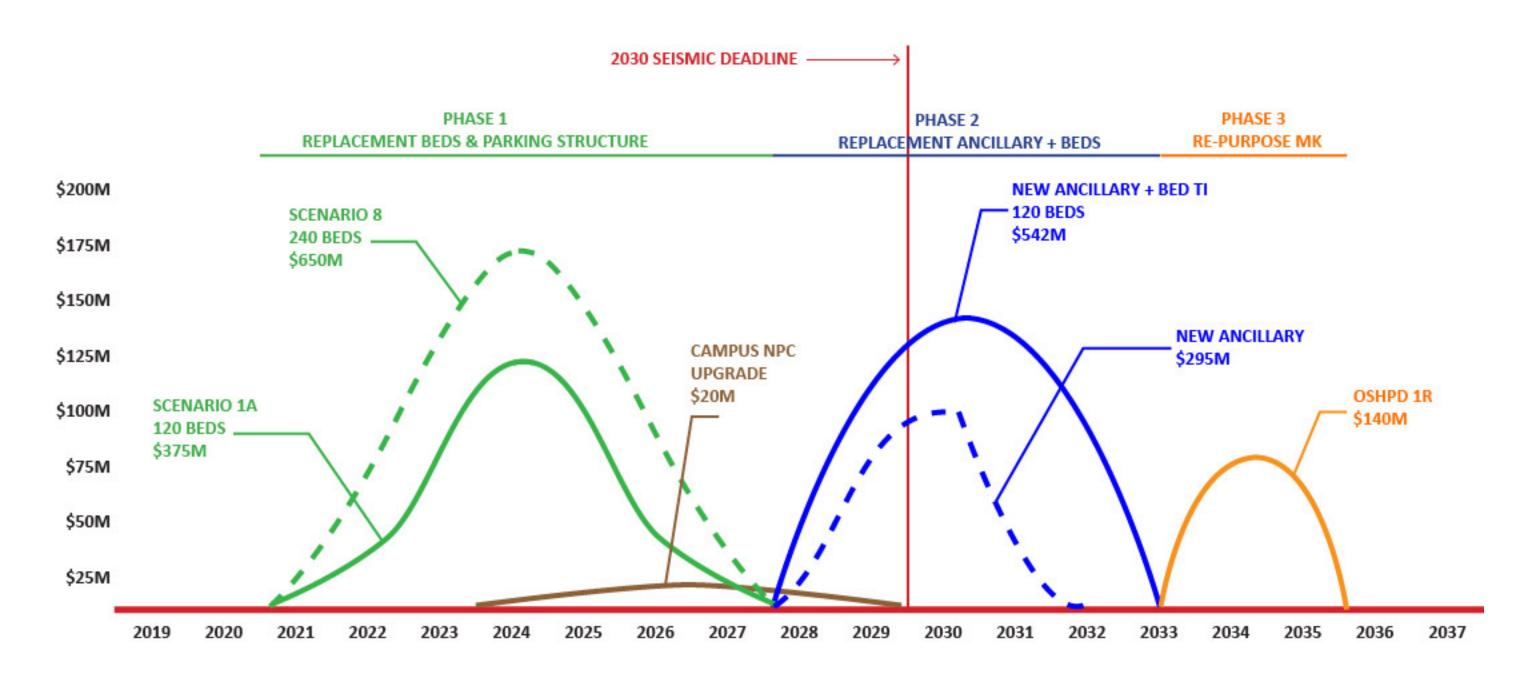
* 36,724 SF x 2 D&T shell = 73,447 BGSF x $1,120 = $82,261,088

* 500 Car Parking Structure = $15,000,000

* $299,059,945 Total Project Cost (2019 $)

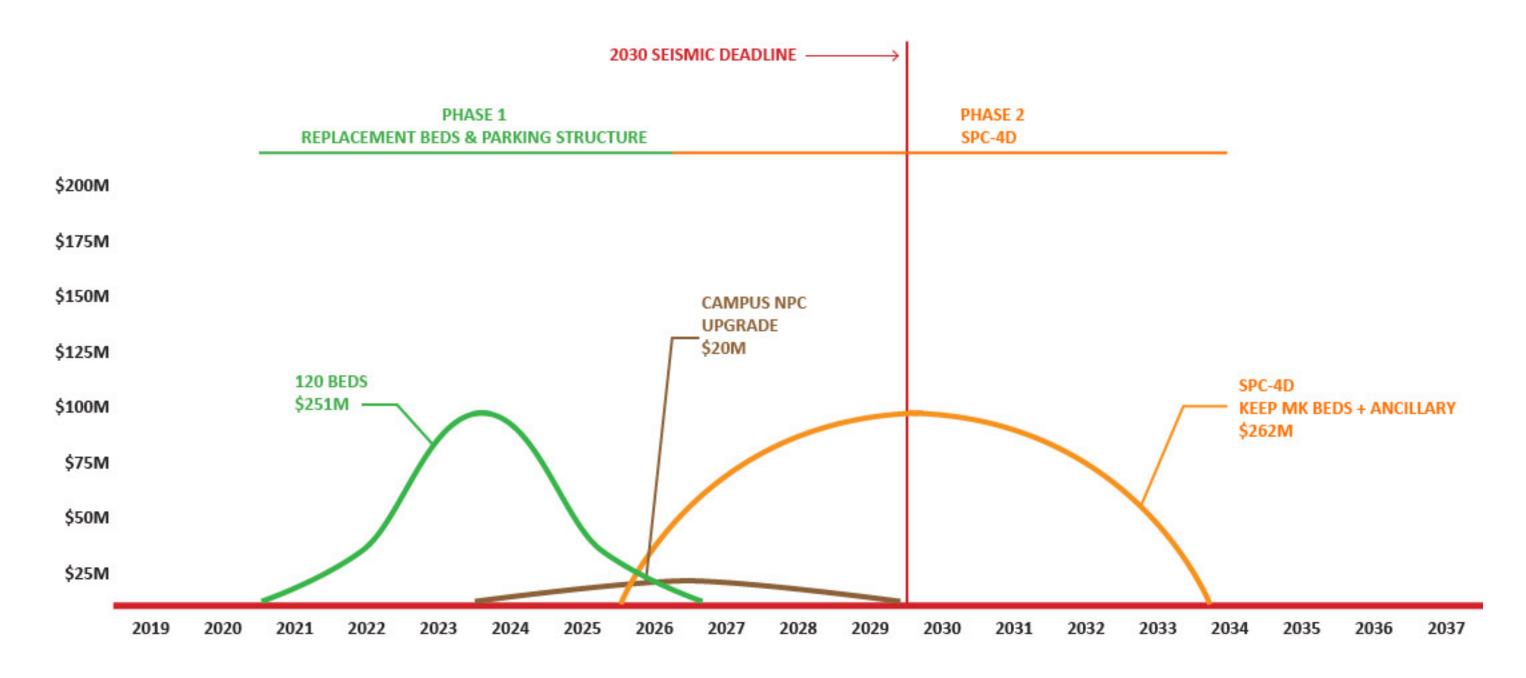
* Total Project Cost Escalated of $393,488,084
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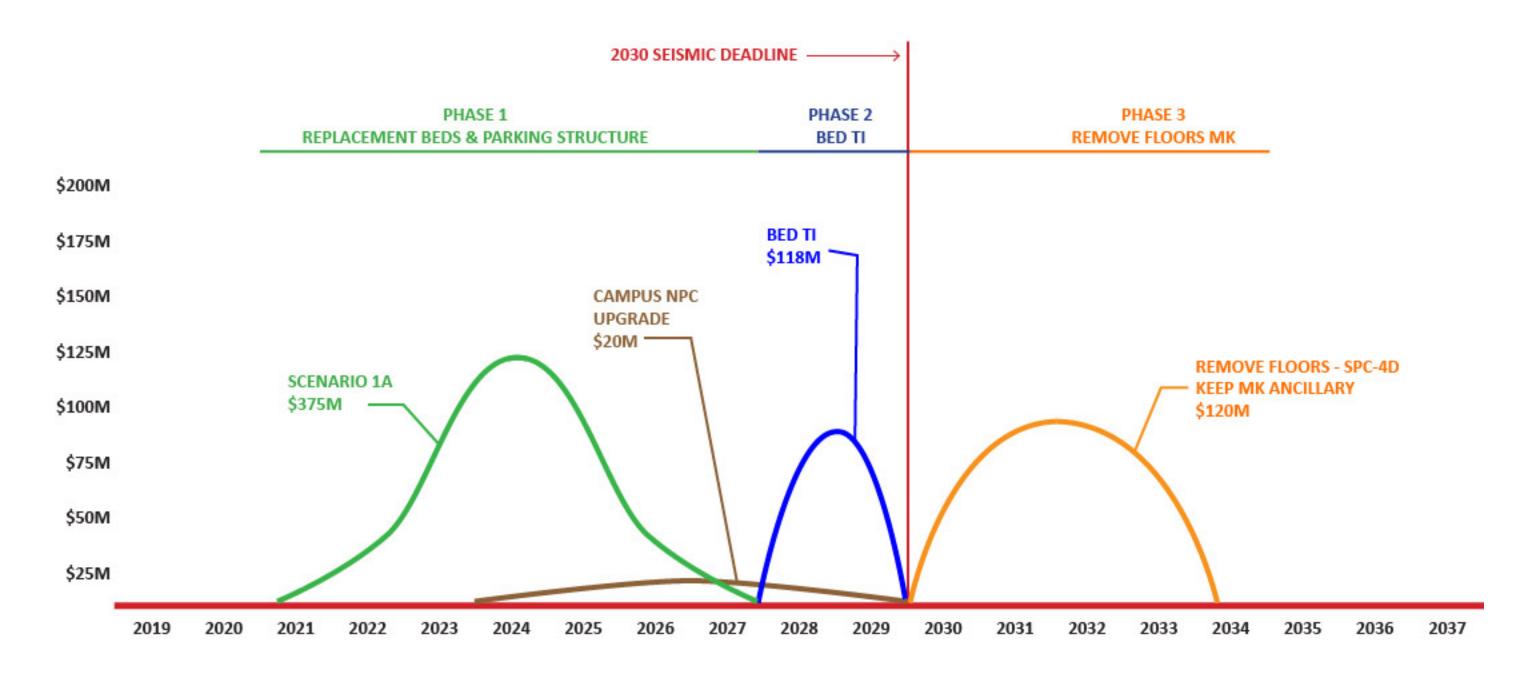
COMPLIANCE STRATEGY 1 - TOTAL PROJECT COST IN EXCESS OF \$1B - COMPLIANCE BY 2032-33

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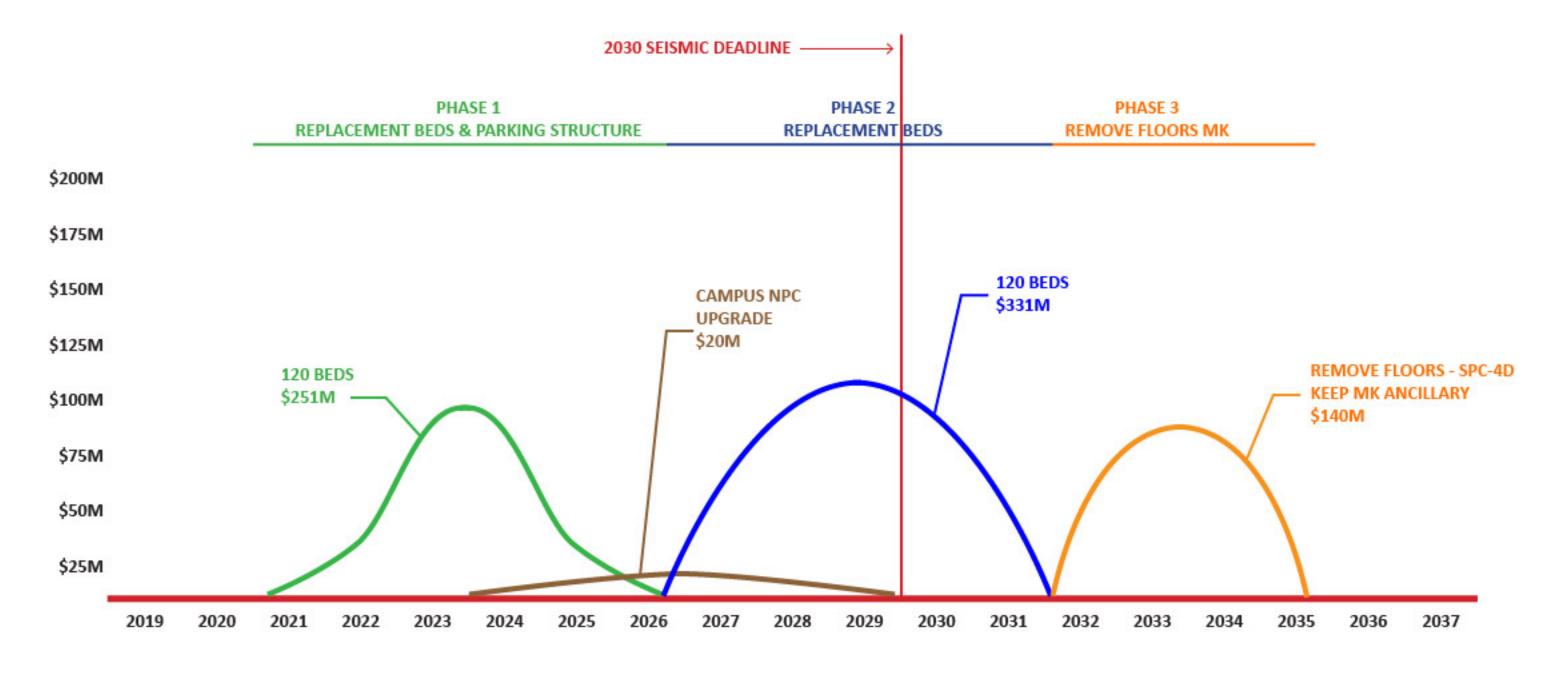
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ALL ESTIMATED VALUES AND SCHEDULE DATES REQUIRE FURTHER VALIDATION



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ALL ESTIMATED VALUES AND SCHEDULE DATES REQUIRE FURTHER VALIDATION



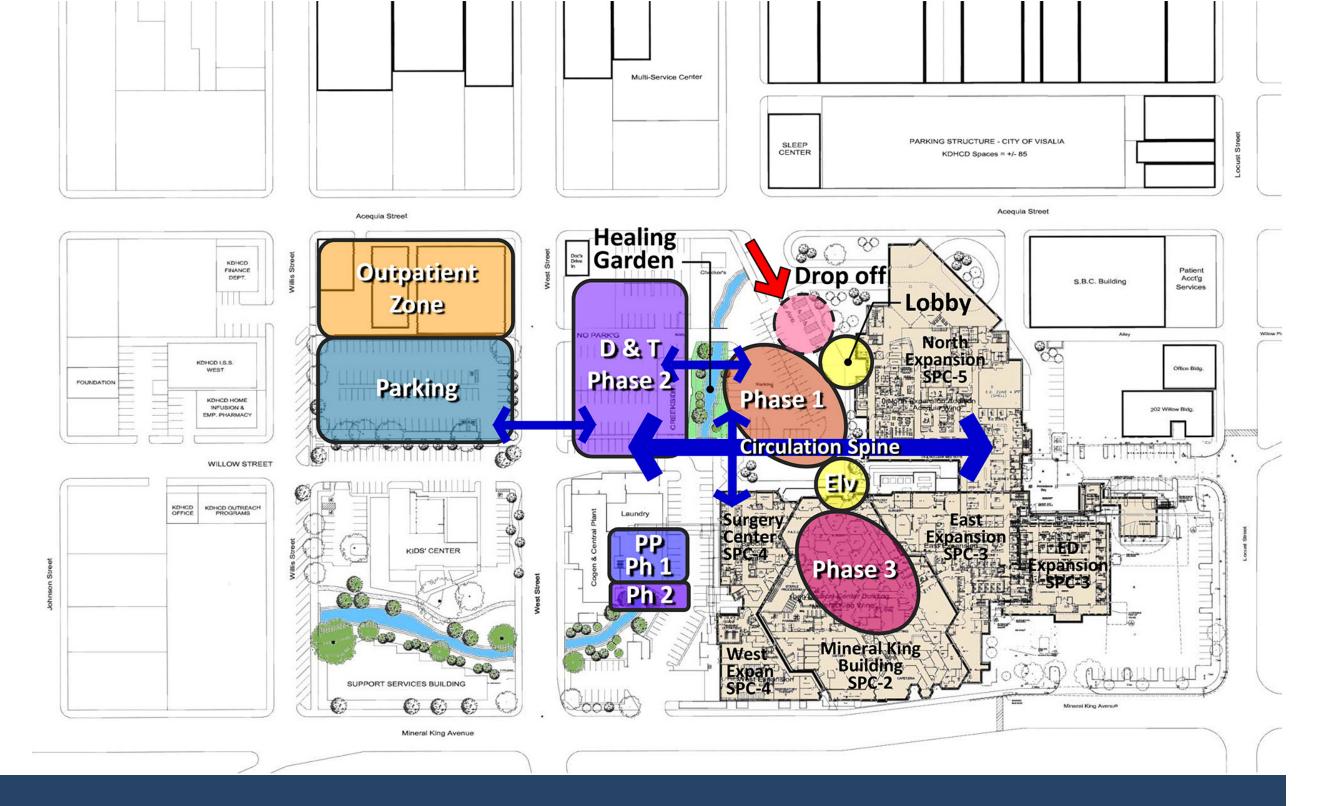
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ALL ESTIMATED VALUES AND SCHEDULE DATES REQUIRE FURTHER VALIDATION

# **Phased Master Plan Implementation**

	COMPLIANCE STRATEGY 1	COMPLIANCE STRATEGY 2	COMPLIANCE STRATEGY 3	COMPLIANCE STRATEGY 4
			REPLACEMENT BEDS AND SHELL	
PHASE 1	REPLACEMENT BEDS & PARKING	REPLACEMENT BEDS & PARKING	SPACE & PARKING	REPLACEMENT BEDS & PARKING
		SPC-4D MK		
	ADDITIONAL REPLACEMENT	(KEEP ANCILLARIES & SOME		
PHASE 2	BEDS & ANCILLARY	BEDS)	BED TI OF SHELLED SPACE	REPLACEMENT BEDS
	RE-PURPOSE MK FOR NON		REMOVE FLOORS MK	REMOVE FLOORS MK
PHASE 3	ACUTE CARE		(KEEP ANCILLARIES)	(KEEP ANCILLARIES)
FULL				
COMPLIANCE	2032 - 2033	2034	2034	2036

NOTE: ALL STRATEGIES REQUIRE LEGISLATIVE EXTENSION OF 2030 DEADLINE. LIKELY WITH PRE-CONDITIONS

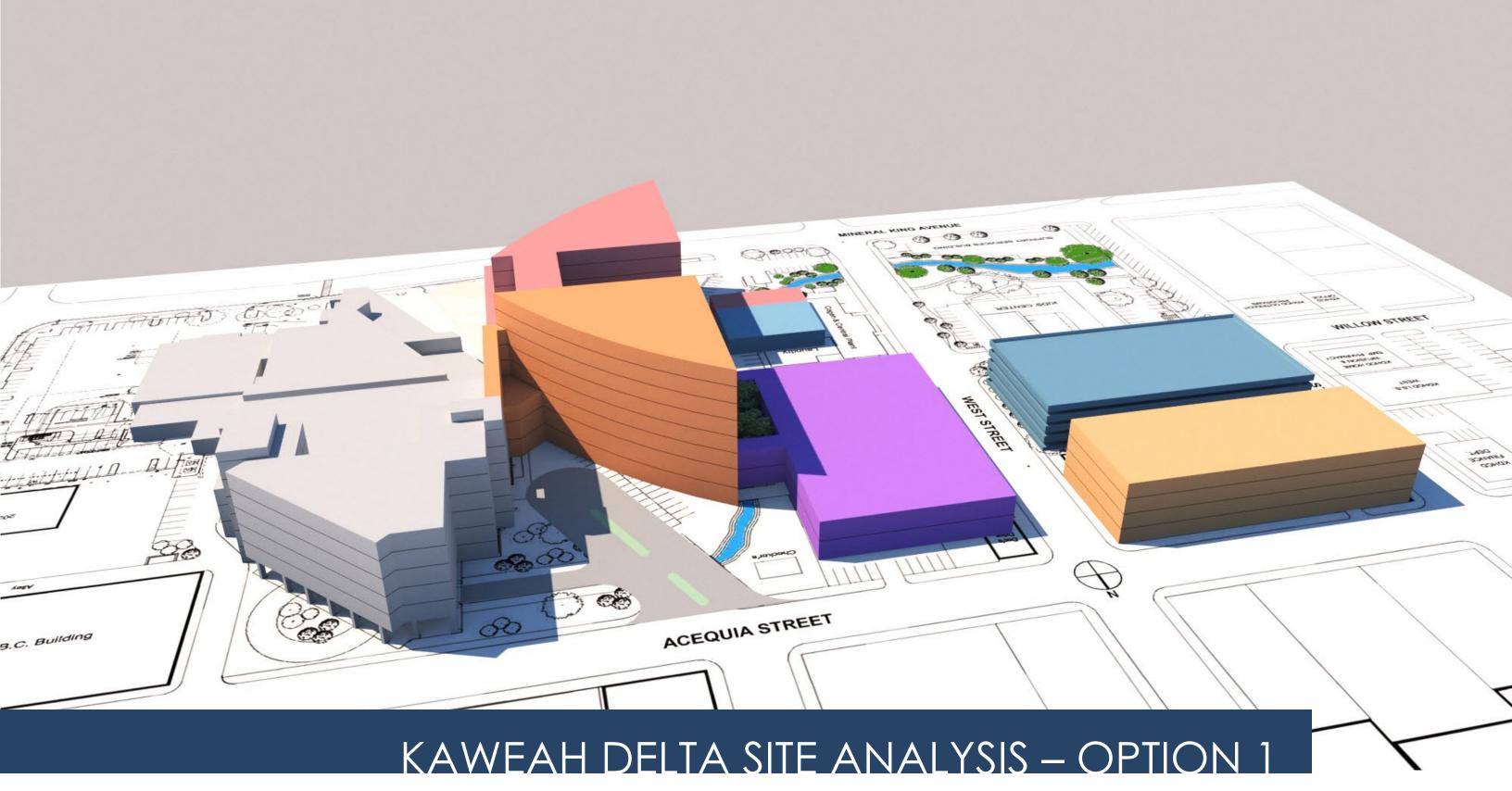




# KAWEAH DELTA SITE ANALYSIS

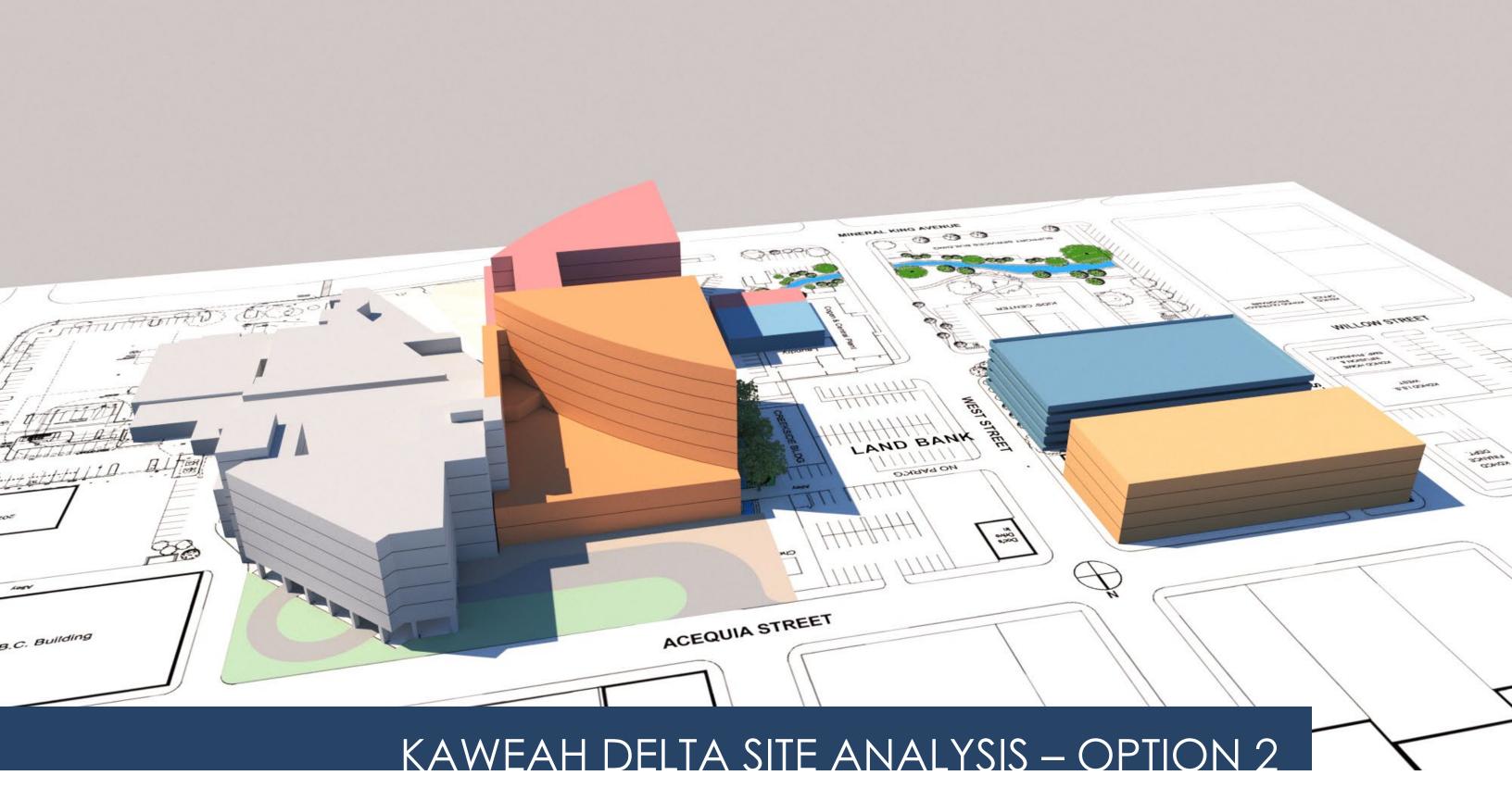


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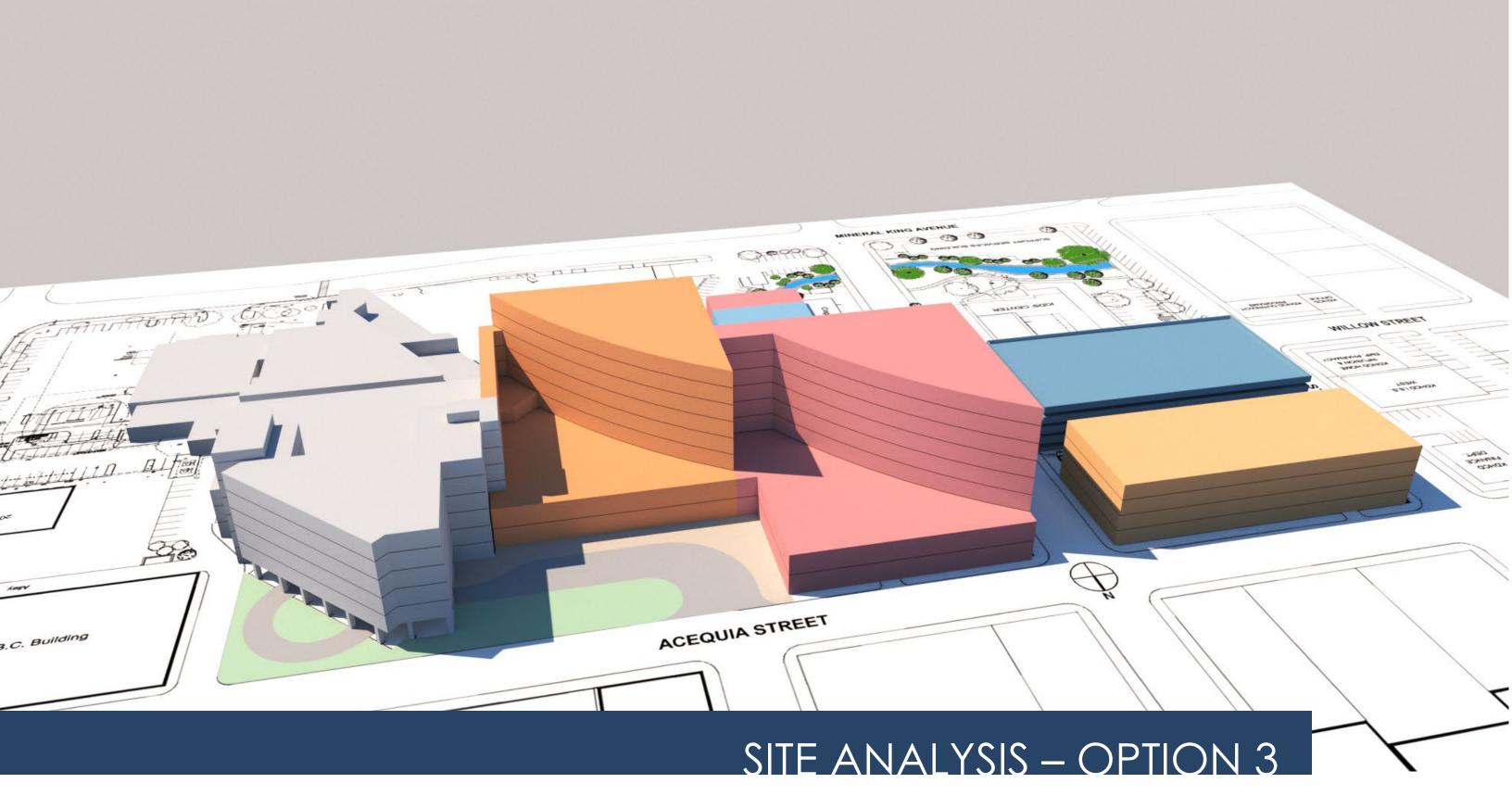


# SITE ANALYSIS - OPTION 2





### SITE ANALYSIS - OPTION 3





### SITE PLAN – PHASE 1 & EXISTING



# KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MONDAY NOVEMBER 25, 2019

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### **CLOSED MEETING SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

MINUTES OF THE OPEN MEETING OF THE KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD MONDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 6:00PM, IN THE KAWEAH DELTA MEDICAL CENTER MINERAL KING WING BLUE ROOM, LYNN HAVARD MIRVISS PRESIDING

PRESENT: Directors Havard Mirviss, Hawkins Hipskind, House, & Francis; B. Mendenhall, MD, Chief of Staff; G. Herbst, CEO; R. Sawyer, VP & CNO, M. Tupper, VP & CFO; D. Cox, VP of Human Resources, M. Mertz, VP of Strategic Planning and Business Development, D. Leeper, VP & CIO; D. Lynch, Legal Counsel, K. Davis, Recording

The meeting was called to order at 6:04PM by Director Havard Mirviss.

Director Havard Mirviss entertained a motion to approve the agenda.

MMSC (Hawkins/Francis) to approve the open agenda. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes – Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, House, Hipskind, and Francis

### PUBLIC/MEDICAL STAFF PARTICIPATION

None.

### **CLOSED SESSION ACTION TAKEN:**

- Approval of closed minutes from August 26, 2019.
- Closed meeting action from July 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting;
  - Board ratification of the action by the Finance, Property, Services, and Acquisition Committee on 7/18/19 to approve management to move forward in the execution of a letter of intent relative to APN 172-010-034.
- Closed meeting action from August 26th meeting;
  - Approve Resolution 2046 to approve the purchase of the properties located at 1000 North Mooney Boulevard, Tulare, County of Tulare, California {APN's 172-010-034 and 172-010-026} for the total amount not to exceed \$1.590.000.

<u>OPEN MINUTES</u> – Request for approval of the August 26, 2019 open board of directors meeting minutes.

MMSC (Hawkins/Hipskind) to approve of the open minutes – August 26, 2019. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes – Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, House, Hipskind, and Francis

### **RECOGNITIONS** – Nevin House

 Presentation of Resolution 2047 to Chris Stafford, Health Unit Coordinator, Oncology 3S - Service Excellence Award – September 2019 (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof). **CONSENT CALENDAR** – Director Havard Mirviss entertained a motion to approve the consent calendar. Director House requested the removal of the following items: {7.1C, 7.1D}

MMSC (Hawkins/Hipskind) to approve the consent calendar with the removal of items: 7.1C {Report – Neurosciences Center} 7.1D {Report – Rural Health Clinics}. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes – Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, House, Hipskind, and Francis

- Further review of 7.1C {Report Neurosciences Center} Discussion of the reduction in net revenue despite an increase in volume. Mr. Leal advised that efforts are underway to attract more patients with private insurance and to avoid out-migration, which will make the program more profitable. Mr. Mertz advised that additional marketing to support the program is already planned and will be forthcoming.
- Further review of 7.1D {Report Rural Health Clinics} Mr. Garrett offered information on clinic volumes, the factors impacting them and the expectations during the upcoming months.

Director Havard Mirviss entertained a motion to approve the remainder of the consent calendar as presented.

MMSC (Francis/Hawkins) to approve the the remainder of consent calendar as presented. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes – Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, House, Hipskind, and Francis

### 7.1. REPORTS

- A. Medical Staff Recruitment
- B. Environment of Care
- C. Neurosciences Center
- D. Rural Health Clinics
- E. Quail Park

### 7.2. POLICIES

B.

A. ADMINISTRATIVE

1.	Census Saturation Plan	AP.114	Revised
2.	Disruption of services or unusual occurrences	AP.30	Revised
BOARD OF DIRECTORS			
1.	Presentation of claims and service process	BOD7	Reviewed

C. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

1. Request to operate under CMS 1135 waiver DM2227 New

- 7.3. Approval of Resolution 2048 to Debbie Murray, Coding Manager, retiring from duty at Kaweah Delta after thirty (30) years of service.
- 7.4. Recommendation from the Medical Executive Committee (SEPTEMBER 2019)

- A. Administrative Policy
  - 1. AP.171 Medically Ineffective Care (reviewed)
- B. Privilege Form Nurse Practitioner / Physician Assistant

**QUALITY - QUALITY FOCUS TEAM REPORT** – Reducing Workplace Violence (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - Maribel Aguilar, Life Safety Manager and Todd Noeske, Safety Specialist

<u>STRATEGIC PLAN – OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY</u> – Review of the strategic initiative charter (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - Regina Sawyer, Vice President & Chief Nursing Officer & Keri Noeske, Director of Care Management

 Keri Noeske presented on this subject utilizing the attached materials. There was focused discussion on throughput and length of stay.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT - Report on the Kaweah Delta Community Engagement** Initiative groups (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - Deborah Volosin, Director of Community Engagement

Deborah Volosin presented on this subject utilizing the attached materials. She provided committee updates and responded to a Board inquiry relative to which of the committees are still accepting applications.

**CLEVELAND CLINIC** – Status of implementation plans and opportunities relative to the Kaweah Delta affiliation with Cleveland Clinic Heart and Vascular Institute (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - Regina Sawyer, RN, Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer, Barry Royce, Director of Cardiovascular Service Line and Cardiovascular Co-Management Program

Barry Royce presented on this subject utilizing the attached materials. There was discussion of the status of implementation plans for the program and opportunities through its further development.

GOLDEN STATE CARDIAC & THORACIC SURGERY, INC CONTRACT – Review and requested approval of agreement effective October 1, 2019 between Kaweah Delta Health Care District and Golden State Cardiac & Thoracic Surgery Inc. (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - Ben Cripps, Compliance and Privacy Officer, Dennis Lynch, Legal Counsel

Mr. Herbst presented on this matter, advising the Board that the negotiations for the contract terms have been completed, as reflected in the agreement. Arrangements for physician staffing are in the process of being finalized.

MMSC to approve the agreement between Kaweah Delta Health Care District and Golden State Cardiac & Thoracic Surgery, Inc., as presented, subject to the CEO in his discretion determining that satisfactory arrangements for physician staffing to support the program have been completed. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes — Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, House, Hipskind, and Francis

<u>REBRANDING</u> – Presentation and discussion relative to the Kaweah rebranding initiative as reviewed by the Board Marketing and Public Affairs Committee (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - Marc Mertz, Vice President of Strategic Planning and Business Development, Dru Quesnoy, Director of Marketing and Communications, and Jennifer Manduffie, Sr. Graphic Designer

 Marc Mertz, Jennifer Manduffie and Dru Quesnoy provided an update on the current status of this matter. No action was requested at this time. The issue will come back to the Board at a subsequent meeting.

<u>CENTRAL VALLEY HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE</u> – Progress report on the Central Valley Healthcare Alliance activities (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - David Francis, Chair & Marc Mertz, Secretary – Central Valley Healthcare Alliance

 Director Francis and Marc Mertz provided an update on the current activities of the JPA, utilizing the attached materials and reporting that the collaboration among the parties involved is very positive and encouraging relative to additional future projects.

<u>FINANCIALS</u> – Review of the most current fiscal year 2020 financial results (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - Malinda Tupper, VP & Chief Financial Officer

• Malinda Tupper led the discussion on the financials. Director House requested that a footnote be added when the District has made a large payment (e.g., IGT) which impacts the financials because the corresponding reimbursement payment has not yet come back so the Board can be aware of the purpose of the payment and when the reimbursement payment can be expected.

<u>CREDENTIALING</u> – Byron Mendenhall, MD –Chief of Staff - Medical Executive Committee request that the appointment, reappointment and other credentialing activity regarding clinical privileges and staff membership recommended by the respective department chiefs, the credentials committee and the Medical Executive Committee be reviewed for approval.

Director Havard Mirviss requested a motion for the approval of the credentials report excluding the Emergency Medicine providers highlighted on Exhibit A {copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof}.

MMSC (Hipskind/Francis) Whereas a thorough review of all required information and supporting documentation necessary for the consideration of initial applications, reappointments, request for additional privileges, advance from provisional status and release from proctoring and resignations (pursuant to the Medical Staff bylaws) has been completed by the Directors of the clinical services, the Credentials Committee, and the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff, for all of the medical staff scheduled for reappointment, Whereas the basis for the recommendations now before the Board of Trustees regarding initial applications, reappointments, request for additional privileges, advance from provisional status and release from proctoring and resignations has been predicated upon the required reviews, including all supporting documentation, Be it therefore resolved that the following medical staff, excluding Emergency Medicine Providers as highlighted on Exhibit A (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof), be approved or reappointed (as applicable), to the organized medical staff of Kaweah Delta Health Care District for a two year period unless otherwise specified, with physician-specific privileges granted as recommended by the Chief of Service, the Credentials Committee, and the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff and as will be documented on each medical staff member's letter of initial application approval and reappointment from the Board of Trustees and within their individual credentials files. Vote: Director Havard Mirviss, House, Hawkins, Francis & Hipskind – Yes.

Director John Hipskind, MD left the room for the vote on the credentials, for the Emergency Medicine providers as highlighted on Exhibit A {copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof}.

Director Havard Mirviss requested a motion for the approval of the credentials report for the Emergency Medicine providers highlighted on Exhibit A {copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof}.

MMSC (House/Francis) Whereas a thorough review of all required information and supporting documentation necessary for the consideration of initial applications, reappointments, request for additional privileges, advance from provisional status and release from proctoring and resignations (pursuant to the Medical Staff bylaws) has been completed by the Directors of the clinical services, the Credentials Committee, and the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff, for all of the Emergency Medicine providers scheduled for reappointment. Whereas the basis for the recommendations now before the Board of Trustees regarding initial applications, reappointments, request for additional privileges, advance from provisional status and release from proctoring and resignations has been predicated upon the required reviews, including all supporting documentation, Be it therefore resolved that the following medical staff Emergency Medicine providers be approved or reappointed (as applicable), to the organized medical

staff of Kaweah Delta Health Care District for a two year period unless otherwise specified, with physician-specific privileges granted as recommended by the Chief of Service, the Credentials Committee, and the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff and as will be documented on each medical staff member's letter of initial application approval and reappointment from the Board of Trustees and within their individual credentials files. Vote: Director Havard Mirviss, House, Francis & Hawkins – Yes. Director Hipskind – Absent

CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT - Report from Byron Mendenhall, MD - Chief of Staff

None.

<u>CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT</u> – Report relative to current events and issues - *Gary Herbst, Chief Executive Officer* 

- The Joint Commission survey is underway. Brief discussion of the new matrix being utilized by TJC.
- District Hospital Leadership Forum discussion of current legislation regarding nurse staffing ratios
- CMS proposed action to lower DSH payments. Congressional action may delay implementation
- Federally Qualified Health Center status update.

**BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT** – Report from Lynn Havard Mirviss, Board President:

None.

Adjourn - Meeting adjourned at 8:45PM

Lynn Havard Mirviss, Board President Kaweah Delta Health Care District and the Board of Directors Thereof

ATTEST:

Nevin House, Secretary/Treasurer Kaweah Delta Health Care District Board of Directors MINUTES OF THE OPEN MEETING OF THE KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD MONDAY OCTOBER 28, 2019 5:00PM, IN THE KAWEAH DELTA MEDICAL CENTER MINERAL KING WING BLUE ROOM, LYNN HAVARD MIRVISS PRESIDING

PRESENT: Directors Havard Mirviss, Hawkins & Francis; M. Manga, Vice Chief of Staff; G.

Herbst, CEO; T. Rayner, SVP & COO; R. Sawyer, VP &CNO, M. Tupper, VP & CFO; D. Cox, VP of Human Resources, M. Mertz, VP of Strategic Planning and Business Development, D. Leeper, VP & CIO; D. Allain, J. Batth, J. Moncada, M. Williams,

D. Volosin, C. Vawter, D. Lynch, Legal Counsel, C. Moccio, Recording.

ABSENT: Director House & Hipskind

The meeting was called to order at 5:02PM by Director Havard Mirviss.

Director Havard Mirviss asked for approval of the agenda.

MMSC (Francis/Hawkins) to approve the open agenda. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes – Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, and Francis Absent - House & Hipskind

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – none

Director Havard Mirviss called for the approval of the closed agenda.

### **APPROVAL OF THE CLOSED AGENDA – 5:01PM**

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

- 2. <u>Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation</u> Pursuant <u>to</u> Government Code 54956.9(d)(1) Richard Salinas, *Legal Counsel & Evelyn McEntire, Director of Risk Management* 
  - A. Edison v Barcenas v KDHCD (Case # 265419)
  - B. Saiz vs KDHCD (Case # 276364)
  - C. Tapia v KDHCD (Case # 276467)
  - D. Minton v KDHCD (Case # 277205)
  - E. Ibarra v KDHCD (Case # 278288)
  - F. Martinez (Santillan) v KDHCD (Case # VCU279163)
  - G. Arroyo v KDHCD (Case # 278184)
  - H. Holguin v KDHCD (Case # 278896)
  - I. Doe v KDHCD (Case # 16-16650)
  - J. Cowan v KDHCD (Case # VCU274052)
  - K. McIntyre v KDHCD (Case # VCU272545)
  - L. Adams v KDHCD (Case # 278006)
  - M. Sansom v KDHCD (Case # 278743)
  - N. Rascon v KDHCD (Case # 272009)
  - O. Rivas v KDHCD (Case # VCU272084)
  - P. Rocha v KDHCD (Case # 273862)
  - Q. Lynch v KDHCD (Case # VCU277292)
  - R. Borges v KDHCD (Case # 278212)
  - S. Moran v KDHCD (Case # 279550)
  - T. Shirk v KDHCD (Case # 280558)

- U. Santillian v KDHCD (Case # VCU279163)
- 3. <u>Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation</u> Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2) 15 Cases *Evelyn McEntire, Director of Risk Management & Richard Salinas, Legal Counsel*
- 4. **Quality Assurance** pursuant to Health and Safety Code 32155 and 1461, report of quality assurance committee *Evelyn McEntire*, *Director of Risk Management*
- 5. <u>Report involving trade secrets</u> {Health and Safety Code 32106} Discussion will concern a proposed new services/programs estimated date of disclosure is December 2019 *Marc Mertz, Vice President of Strategic Planning and Business Development*
- 6. <u>Credentialing</u> Medical Executive Committee (October 2019) requests that the appointment, reappointment and other credentialing activity regarding clinical privileges and staff membership recommended by the respective department chiefs, the credentials committee and the Medical Executive Committee be reviewed for approval pursuant to Health and Safety Code 1461 and 32155 *Monica Manga, MD, Vice Chief of Staff*
- 7. Approval of closed meeting minutes September 23, 2019

Action Requested – Approval of the closed meeting minutes – September 23, 2019.

MMSC (Hawkins/Francis) to approve the closed agenda. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes – Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, and Francis Absent – House & Hipskind ADJOURN - Meeting was adjourned at 5:03PM

Lynn Havard Mirviss, President
Kaweah Delta Health Care District and the Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Nevin House, Secretary/Treasurer
Kaweah Delta Health Care District Board of Directors

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PRESENT: Directors Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, House, and Francis; M. Manga, MD, Vice Chief of Staff; G. Herbst, CEO; T. Rayner, SVP & COO; R. Sawyer, VP & CNO, M. Tupper, VP & CFO; D. Cox, VP of Human Resources, M. Mertz, VP of Strategic Planning and Business Development, D. Leeper, VP & CIO; D. Lynch, Legal Counsel, C. Moccio, Recording

ABSENT: Director Hipskind

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Director Havard Mirviss.

Director Havard Mirviss entertained a motion to approve the agenda.

MMSC (Francis/Hawkins) to approve the open agenda. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes – Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, House, and Francis

### **PUBLIC/MEDICAL STAFF PARTICIPATION**

None.

<u>CLOSED SESSION ACTION TAKEN</u>: Approval of the closed meeting minutes – September 23, 2019.

Authorized management to enter into the necessary agreements and take all necessary steps for the development of a new multi-specialty clinic at 1000 N. Mooney Blvd. in Tulare at or below the estimated budget of \$5,200,000.

### **RECOGNITIONS** – Lynn Havard Mirviss

 Presentation of Resolution 2049 to Joyce Bergshoeff, RN, ICCU-3W - Service Excellence Award – October 2019 (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof).

<u>OPEN MINUTES</u> – Request for approval of the September 23, 2019 open board of directors meeting minutes.

Deferred until the next Board meeting.

<u>CONSENT CALENDAR</u> – Director Havard Mirviss entertained a motion to approve the consent calendar. Director House requested the removal of the following items; 7.1B and 7.1E.

MMSC (Hawkins/Francis) to approve the consent calendar with the removal of items; 7.1B {Reports: Risk Management} and 7.1E {Reports: Semi Annual Investment Report}. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes — Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, House, and Francis

#### 7.1. REPORTS

- A. Medical Staff Recruitment
- B. Risk Management
- C. Medical-Surgical 2S Clinical Decision Unit-CDU, 2N, Tele, 3S Oncology
- D. Post Surgical Care 4S, 3N, Broderick Pavilion
- E. Semi Annual Investment Report

#### 7.2. POLICIES

#### A. HUMAN RESOURCES

1.	Just Culture	HR.00	New
2.	Recruitment and Selection of Staff Members	HR.28	Revised
3.	New Hire Processing	HR.36	Revised
4.	Status Classification of Employees/Concurrent Jobs	HR.61	Revised
5.	Timekeeping	HR.63	Revised
6.	Overtime	HR.71	Revised
7.	Salary Administration	HR.78	Revised
8.	Docking	HR.80	Revised
9.	Non-Employees	HR.233	Revised
10.	Per Diem Staff	HR.29	Deleted
11.	Working at Two or More Kaweah Delta Health		
12.	Care District Job	HR.32	Deleted
13.	Supplemental Staffing	HR.35	Deleted

- 7.3. Approve Resolution 2050 returning the claim for Luis Alfonso Garcia Viscarra vs. Kaweah Delta Health Care District.
- 7.4. Recommendation from the Medical Executive Committee (OCTOBER 2019)
  - A. Medical Staff Policy
    - 1. MS.43 Informed Consent for Surgical, Diagnostic, or Therapeutic Procedure
  - B. Medical Staff Bylaws and Rules and Regulations revisions
- 7.5. Request for appointment to the Kaweah Delta Health Care, Inc. Board effective November 1, 2019: 11/01/19 10/31/22; John Hipskind, MD, Marc Mertz, and Darrin Smith, MD.
- 7.6. Approval of Resolution 2052 in recognition of Betty Sumwalt, RN, Employee Health Services retiring from duty at Kaweah Delta Health Care District 38 years of services.
- 7.7. Approval of Resolutions restating the Kaweah Delta Health Care District Employee Salary Deferral Plan as reviewed and supported by the Human Resources Committee on October 22, 2019.
  - A. Approval of Resolution 2053 restating the Kaweah Delta Health Care District Employee Salary Deferral Plan in Section 15.01 of the Plan's Base Plan document effective January 5, 2003.

- B. Approval of Resolution 2054 restating the Kaweah Delta Health Care District Employee Salary Deferral Plan in Section 15.2 of the Plan's Base Plan document effective July 1, 2009.
- C. Approval of Resolution 2055 restating the Kaweah Delta Health Care District Employee Salary Deferral Plan in Section 7.1 of the Plan's Base Plan document effective July 1, 2012.
- D. Approval of Resolution 2056 restating the Kaweah Delta Health Care District Employee Salary Deferral Plan in Section 14.01 of the Plan's Base Plan document effective January 1, 2020.
- E. Approval of Resolution 2057 amending the 457(b) deferred compensation plan in section 14.01 of the Plan's Base Plan document effective July 1, 2017 as reviewed and supported by the Human Resources Committee on October 22, 2019.

#### 7.1B {Reports – Risk Management}

• Inquiry relative to increased number of MIDAS reports related to patient issues. It was noted that this change is due to the form being easier to complete and the ability to report anonymously.

#### 7.1E {Reports – Semi Annual Investment Report}

 Director House noted his concern relative to our daily expenses growing faster than our surplus funds. Inquired if there is a way to increase our surplus funds or cut the daily expenses. Management noted that we are working to do both.

MMSC {House/Francis} to approve 7.1B {Reports: Risk Management} and 7.1E {Reports: Semi Annual Investment Report}. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes – Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, House, and Francis

<u>ANNUAL AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT</u> – Report to Board from Moss Adams relative to the annual audited financial statement for fiscal year 2018/2019 (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - *Kaweah Delta; Malinda Tupper, VP & Chief Financial Officer, Jennifer Stockton, Director of Finance, Moss Adams; Brian Conner, Partner* 

MMSC {House/Hawkins} to approve the 2018/2019 Annual Audited Financial Statement. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes — Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, House, and Francis

<u>QUALITY – CARDIOLOGY SERVICES</u> - A review of key quality indicators and actions through the American College of Cardiology quality program (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - Verma, MD, Director of Cardiac Cath Lab

#### PRELIMINARY RESOLUTION FOR THE REFINANCING OF THE 2012 REVENUE BONDS -

Review of Resolution 2051, as reviewed and recommend for approval by the Finance, Property, Services, and Acquisition Committee (10/24/19) authorizing certain officers of

the District to take steps necessary for the potential issuance of revenue bonds (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - Kaweah Delta; Malinda Tupper, VP & Chief Financial Officer, Jennifer Stockton, Director of Finance

MMSC (House/Francis) to approve Resolution 2051, a resolution of the Board of Directors of Kaweah Delta Health Care District authorizing consideration for the issuance of revenue bonds pursuant to the California Health and Safety Code and the California Government Code and a declaration of official intent to reimburse expenditures from the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds. This was supported unanimously by those present. Vote: Yes – Havard Mirviss, Hawkins, House, and Francis

<u>FINANCIALS</u> – Review of the most current fiscal year financial results (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - Malinda Tupper, VP & Chief Financial Officer

<u>REBRANDING</u> – Presentation and discussion relative to the Kaweah rebranding initiative as reviewed by the Board Marketing and Public Affairs Committee (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof) - Marc Mertz, Vice President of Strategic Planning and Business Development, Dru Quesnoy, Director of Marketing and Communications, and Jennifer Manduffie, Sr. Graphic Designer

<u>CREDENTIALING</u> – Monica Manga, MD - Vice Chief of Staff - Medical Executive Committee request that the appointment, reappointment and other credentialing activity regarding clinical privileges and staff membership recommended by the respective department chiefs, the credentials committee and the Medical Executive Committee be reviewed for approval.

Director Havard Mirviss requested a motion for the approval of the credentials report {copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof}.

MMSC (Hawkins/House) Whereas a thorough review of all required information and supporting documentation necessary for the consideration of initial applications, reappointments, request for additional privileges, advance from provisional status and release from proctoring and resignations (pursuant to the Medical Staff bylaws) has been completed by the Directors of the clinical services, the Credentials Committee, and the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff, for all of the medical staff scheduled for reappointment. Whereas the basis for the recommendations now before the Board of Trustees regarding initial applications, reappointments, request for additional privileges, advance from provisional status and release from proctoring and resignations has been predicated upon the required reviews, including all supporting documentation, Be it therefore resolved that the following medical staff, excluding Emergency Medicine Providers as highlighted on Exhibit A (copy attached to the original of these minutes and considered a part thereof), be approved or reappointed (as applicable), to the organized medical staff of Kaweah Delta Health Care District for a two year period unless otherwise specified, with physician-specific privileges granted as recommended by the Chief of Service, the Credentials Committee, and the Executive Committee of the Medical Staff and as will be documented on each medical staff member's letter of initial application approval and reappointment from the Board of Trustees and within their individual credentials files. Vote: Director Havard Mirviss, House, Hawkins & Francis – Yes.

**CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT** – Report from Monica Manga, MD – Vice Chief of Staff

No report.

<u>CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT</u> – Report relative to current events and issues - *Gary Herbst, Chief Executive Officer* 

- District Hospital Leadership Forum annual meeting.
  - Split roll bill property taxes and Prop 13 on assess value not market value. Assessed value can only go up 2% per year. The proposed bill will split the tax roll into residential and commercial. New commercial assessed value will be based on the market value to be taxed. Concern about how that will impact the ability to get a bond measure approved. CHA is coming out in support and requested DHLF to support.
  - SB227 additional penalty for non 100% compliance for nursing ratios. We are waiting to find out how they will implement it. We are working on ways to mitigate it.
- Ryan Gates and Federally Qualified Health Clinic (FQHC) team are making progress. We are on target to submit our application in January 2020.

**BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT** – Report from Lynn Havard Mirviss, Board President:

No report

Adjourn - Meeting adjourned at 8:12PM

Lynn Havard Mirviss, Board President Kaweah Delta Health Care District and the Board of Directors Thereof

ATTEST:

Nevin House, Secretary/Treasurer Kaweah Delta Health Care District Board of Directors

# **Service Excellence November 2019**

### Kristin Braswell, RN - Clinical Documentation

#### 1. Nominated By: Christine Thomas

#### BEHAVIORALSTANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE:

Respect: Kristin is intelligent and holds a vast amount of knowledge that she is willing to share with her co-workers. She is approachable and friendly, often stopping her work to answer the questions of others.

Communication: Kristin communicates the needs of the department and is often a spokesperson for the other employees in our department when there is a problem with the computer program, etc.

Personal Ownership: She takes her role in the CDI department seriously. Puts a lot of effort into making sure her quality of work in her patient chart reviews is accurate to reflect the best DRG for reimbursement.

Professional Image: Kristin presents herself in a classy way. She always is neat, tidy and reflects a professional image.

Commitment to Colleagues: I feel Kristin shows her commitment to her colleagues because she has stepped forward and has tackled a difficult job duty in our department that requires a lot of tedious evaluation and time. She is exceptionally good at what she does and has improved the quality of our outcomes for our department. She does this job without complaining.

<u>COMMENTS</u>: Kristin is always available to her co-workers and stops what she is doing to assist them. She is great resource person and often helps problem solve. Kristin is intelligent, hardworking and carries a lot of responsibility in our department that has reflected a positive change in our productive outcomes. She is a pleasure to work with and her quiet humor is priceless.

#### 2. Nominated By: Rebekah Foster

Comments: Kristin has done an amazing job the last 6 months when asked to help with a second level review process back in February to assist with quality documentation and coding, she jumped at the opportunity and has consistently found errors that she has worked diligently to correct with both the physicians and the coders to ensure that the documentation for each case she reviews is correct and accurately shows the course of treatment and correct diagnoses the patient had. she has tirelessly worked hard dealing with difficult physicians and contract coders to ensure that each record is accurate and has gone above and beyond her normal scope of practice in ensuring this new process is successful. She has found multiple instances of errors each month that she was able to correct which has directly affected billing and reimbursement for the hospital. She has done an amazing job at stepping up and taking on this difficult task and is always willing to help her coworkers. She is a huge asset to our department.

DIRECTOR/MANAGER: Rebekah Foster BOARD MEMBER: David Francis

#### 3. Nominated By: Elizabeth Hupp

<u>Comments</u>: Kristin goes above and beyond in her CDI duties. She was given the task of doing second level reviews on patients' charts and has been doing an EXCELLENT job! She is very thorough in her reviews, and is very helpful in advising her CDI team co-workers when we have questions with chart reviews. Kristin is very knowledgeable and always has a great attitude!! I don't know what we'd do without her!!

#### 4. Nominated By: Rosie Alavezos

BEHAVIORALSTANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE:

Compassionate Service: Helps everyone without asking

Respect: sweet and patient to all

Commitment to Colleagues: always willing to help coworkers when approached.

<u>COMMENTS</u>: I would like to nominate Kristin because she is an amazing human, friend and coworker, which I have the pleasure to work with. I know that if I struggle with question or anything at all she is always willing and open to help anytime, any day even in her days off. For that and much more I believe that Kristin deserve the employee of the month award. Thank you

DIRECTOR/MANAGER: Rebekah Foster BOARD MEMBER: David Francis

### **Kaweah Delta Physician Recruitment Open Position Snapshot - November 2019**

Prepared by: Brittany Taylor, Senior Physician Recruiter btaylor@kdhcd.org - (559)624-2899 Date prepared: 11/20/2019

	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	
Hospitalist		4
Intensivist		4

Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	
Hospitalist	4
Intensivist	4

Delta Doctors Inc.	
Adult Primary Care	1
OB/Gyn	2
Laborist	1

Key Medical Associates	
Adult Primary Care	1
Gastroenterology	1
Hospitalist	1
Pediatrics	1

Orthopedics	
Orthopedic Surgery - Hand	1

Sequoia Radiation Oncology Medical Associa	ates
Radiation Oncology	1

Somnia	
Anesthesiology - Cardiac & Vascular	1

Valley Children's Health Care	
Maternal Fetal Medicine	2

Valley Hospitalist Medical Group	
Nocturnist	1
GI Hospitalist	1

Visalia Medical Clinic (Kaweah Delta Medical Foundation)	
Dermatology	2
Gastroenterology	2
Internal Medicine	1
OB/GYN	3
Orthopedic Surgery	1
Otolaryngology	1
Pediatrics	2
Psychiatry	2
Radiology - Diagnostic	1
Rheumatology	1
Urology	1
Palliative Medicine	2

Kaweah Delta Faculty Medical Group	
Family Medicine Associate Program Director	1
Family Medicine Core Faculty	1
Family Medicine Medical Director	1
Family Medicine Program Director	1

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Specialty/Position	Group	Last Name	First Name	Availability	<b>Board Certification</b>	CA Licensed	Referral Source	Current Status
Anesthesiology - Pain	Somnia	Sandhu, M.D.	Navpark	05/19	American Board of Anesthesiology, Certified	Active	Somnia	Offer accepted; Start Date: 12/1/19
Cardiothoracic Surgery	Golden State Cardiac & Thoracic Surgery	Carrizo, M.D.	Gonzalo	10/19	American Board of Thoracic Surgery, Certified	Active	Cleveland Clinic Foundation affiliate job posting - 7/27/18	Locum Start Date: 12/7/19
Endocrinology	Key Medical Associates	Chahal, M.D.	Rajinder	11/19	American Board of Internal Medicine, Certified	Active	Internal Referral	Site Visit: 7/2/19; Offer accepted; Group Start date: 11/4/2019; KD start date pending privileges.
Family Medicine	Visalia Medical Clinic (Kaweah Delta Medical Foundation)	Bland, D.O.	Scott	08/21	American Board of Family Medicine, Eligible	None	Direct - 9/15/19	Pending site visit in early 2020
Family Medicine	Key Medical Associates	Jones, M.D.	Nicholas	08/20	American Board of Family Medicine, Eligible	None	Carson Kolb	Site Visit: 9/14/19; Offer extended
Family Medicine	Delta Doctors, Inc.	Macias, M.D.	Lea	08/20	TBD	Active	Current KDH Resident	Site Visit: 11/25/19
Family Medicine	Visalia Medical Clinic (Kaweah Delta Medical Foundation)	Singh, M.D.	Sholin	08/20	TBD	Active	Direct - UCSF Fresno Career Fair	Site visit pending dates
Family Medicine Core Faculty	Kaweah Delta Faculty Medical Group	Arellano-Banoni, M.D.	Gisela	10/19	American Board of Family Medicine, Certified	Active	Internal Referral	Site Visit: 9/25/19; Offer extended
Family Medicine - Program Director/Associate Program Director	Kaweah Delta Faculty Medical Group	Martinez, M.D.	Mario	TBD	American Board of Family Medicine, Certified	Active	Internal Referral	Site Visit: 11/22/19
Family Medicine	Key Medical Associates	Janvelian, M.D.	Vladamir	09/20	American Board of Family Medicine, Eligible	None	Carson Kolb - 11/28/18	Site Visit: 2/15/19; Offer accepted; Start date pending
Family Medicine	Visalia Medical Clinic (Kaweah Delta Medical Foundation)	Patty, M.D.	Christina	08/20	American Board of Family Medicine, Eligible	Active	Direct - Local Candidate	Site Visit: 2/5/19; Offer accepted; Start Date: 8/31/20
Gastroenterology	Key Medical Associates	Jaafar, M.D.	Imad	08/20	American Board of Internal Medicine, Certified	In progress	2019 Digestive Disease Week Career Fair	Site Visit: 7/27/19; Offer extended; 2nd visit: 11/9/19

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Specialty/Position	Group	Last Name	First Name	Availability	<b>Board Certification</b>	CA Licensed	Referral Source	Current Status
Hospitalist - Nights	Valley Hospitalist Medical Group	Gadhia, M.D.	Shardul	TBD	American Board of Internal Medicine, Certified	None	Direct Candidate	Site Visit: 10/25/19
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Desta, M.D.	Edomias	08/20	TBD	None	Referral - Dr. Sukhvir Singh	Site Visit: 11/22/19
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Diramerian, M.D.	Liza	08/20	TBD	None	Referral - Dr. Umer Hayyat	Site Visit: 12/18/19
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Li, M.D., Ph.D.	Yuehua	08/20	American Board of Internal Medicine, Eligible	Active	Vista Staffing - 11/5/2019	Site visit pending dates
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Mavli, M.D.	Zakiamad	TBD	American Board of Family Medicine, Certified	Active	Direct Candidate	Site Visit: 9/10/19
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Singh, M.D.	Gurpreet	07/20	American Board of Internal Medicine, Eligible	None	PracticeLink - 10/9/19	Currently under review
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Singh, M.D.	Sukhvir	07/20	American Board of Internal Medicine, Eligible	Pending	Vista Staffing - 8/12/2019	Site Visit: 9/23/19
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Tran, M.D.	Michelle	TBD	American Board of Internal Medicine, Certified	Active	Mdstaffers - 10/9/19	Currently under review
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Wang, M.D.	Yanning	07/20	TBD	Active	Vista Staffing - 11/18/19	Currently under review
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Youssef, M.D.	Mina	07/20	American Board of Internal Medicine, Eligible	None	Vista Staffing - 10/1/19	Currently under review
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Zhang, M.D.	Yixi	ASAP	American Board of Internal Medicine, Certified	Pending	Vista Staffing - 10/11/19	Site visit pending dates
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Hayyat, M.D.	Umer	08/20	American Board of Internal Medicine, Eligible	In progress	Practice Link	Site Visit: 8/14/19; Offer accepted
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Milani, M.D.	Kasra	11/19	American Board of Internal Medicine, Certified	Active	Vista Staffing - 8/12/2019	Site Visit: 8/22/19; Offer accepted; Start date pending credentialing
Hospitalist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Upton, M.D.	Tracy	08/20	American Board of Internal Medicine, Eligible	Active	Vista Staffing - 9/12/19	Site Visit: 10/17/19; Offer accepted

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Specialty/Position	Group	Last Name	First Name	Availability	Board Certification	CA Licensed	Referral Source	Current Status
Intensivist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine/Valley Hospitalist	Emami, M.D.	Nader	07/20	American Board of Internal Medicine, Certified; Critical Care Medicine, Eligible	None	Comp Health 10/1/19	Site visit pending dates
Intensivist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine/Valley Hospitalist	Greer, M.D.	Robert	08/20	TBD	Active	Vista Staffing - 11/18/19	Currently under review
Intensivist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	John, D.O.	Avinaj	08/21	TBD	None	Vista Staffing - 10/25/19	Site Visit: 12/13/19
Intensivist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Kelker, M.D.	Tariq	TBD	American Board of Surgery - General, Certified; American Board of Critical Care, Eligible - results pending	Active	MDstaffers - 10/11/19	Site visit pending dates
Intensivist	Central Valley Critical Care Medicine	Rubinchikova, M.D.	Yelena	12/19	American Board of Internal Medicine, Eligible	None	Fidelis Partners - 8/14/19	Site Visit: 10/21/19; offer pending
Internal Medicine	Visalia Medical Clinic (Kaweah Delta Medical Foundation)	Malik, M.D.	Sara	08/21	American Board of Internal Medicine, Eligible	None	Direct - Dr. Umer Hayyat's spouse	Pending site visit in early 2020
Maternal Fetal Medicine	Valley Children's Hospital	Acosta, M.D.	Reinaldo	TBD	American Board of OB/GYN, Certified; American Board of OB/GYN - Maternal Fetal Medicine - Certified	Active	Valley Children's - 7/11/2019	Site Visit: 7/30/19; Possible locums to permanent
Neonatology	Valley Children's Hospital	Ibonia, M.D.	Katrina	12/19	American Board of Pediatrics; Neonatal- Perinatal, Certified	- None	Valley Children's - 8/1/2019	Site Visit: 8/27/19; Offer accepted; Start date: 3/9/20
Neonatology	Valley Children's Hospital	Gerard, M.D.	Kimberley	01/20	American Board of Pediatrics, Eligible (Exam 10/2019)	Active	Valley Children's - 11/28/18	Site Visit: 1/11/19; Tentative start date: 1/6/20; Assigned to KD full-time
OB/GYN	Delta Doctors, Inc.	Hayes, M.D.	Carl	TBD	TBD	Active	Physician Empire - 10/29/19	Site Visit: 12/10/19

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Specialty/Position	Group	Last Name	First Name	Availability	Board Certification	CA Licensed	Referral Source	Current Status
OB/GYN	Delta Doctors, Inc.	Saleh, M.D.	Gamal	01/20	American Board of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Certified	None	Mdstaffers - 9/6/19	Site visit pending
Otolaryngology	Visalia Medical Clinic (Kaweah Delta Medical Foundation)	Badran, M.D.	Karam	08/20	American Board of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery, Eligible	Active	Fidelis Partners - 8/8/2019	Site Visit: 10/14/19; Offer extended
Otolaryngology	Visalia Medical Clinic (Kaweah Delta Medical Foundation)	Neel, M.D.	Gregory	08/20	American Board of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery, Eligible	None	AAO-HNS Job Posting	Site visit pending dates
Orthopedic Surgery - Spine	Orthopaedic Associates	Daniels, M.D.	Mathias	TBD	American Board of Orthopedic Surgery, Certified	Active	Fidelis Partners - 3/28/19	Site visit: 6/27/19; Offer accepted; Start date: 12/2/19
Palliative Medicine	Visalia Medical Clinic (Kaweah Delta Medical Foundation)	Mylavarapu, M.D.	Alexander	08/20	American Board of Hospice & Palliative Medicine, Eligible	None	Fidelis Partners - 9/30/19	Site visit: 11/5/19; Offer pending
Pediatrics	Visalia Medical Clinic (Kaweah Delta Medical Foundation)	Currie, D.O.	Kristen	03/20	American Board of Pediatrics, Certified	In progress	Practice Match - 9/17/19	Site Visit: 10/28/19
Pediatrics	Visalia Medical Clinic (Kaweah Delta Medical Foundation)	Wendt, M.D.	Allen	12/19	American Board of Pediatrics, Certified	Active	Pacific Companies - 10/25/19	Site Visit: 11/6/19; Offer pending
Radiation Oncology	Sequoia Radiation Oncology Medical Associates	Chang, D.O.	Tangel	01/20	American Board of Radiology - Radiation Oncology, Certified	Active	ASTRO Conference 2017	Site Visit: 10/7/19; 2nd visit: 10/28/19; Offer pending

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### Renal Services (Inpatient 4North and Dialysis Clinics)

Amy Baker, MSN, CMSRN Director Renal Services 559-624-5423

Jon Knudsen, MSN, FNP-C Director Critical Care Services, 559-624-2503

#### Summary Issue/Service Considered

- Continually working to recruit open positions, reduce contract labor, and retain our high quality staff.
- Active surveillance of all quality measures including and focused improvements in fall prevention, Hospital Acquired Pressure Injuries (HAPI), and falls with injury.
- Continued optimization efforts regarding KDHub for the areas on both the main campus as well as the outpatient clinics and acute dialysis
- Nursing remains focused on charge nurse and staff development to further improve the
  patient experience; each unit has focused goals in the form of "Operation Always" plans
  of action which includes meeting with the patient experience director monthly to review
  satisfaction scores and performance of individual questions.
- Collaborating with the violence in the workplace taskforce to better identify escalation in our mental health patients being treated on 4 North
- Continuous Ambulatory Peritoneal Dialysis (CAPD) clinic has increased census from 30 to 35 patients

### Quality/Performance Improvement Data

- Overall patient satisfaction reached 70.7% through October for Fiscal Year '20 on 4
  North. We continue to work with the Patient Experience Director to identify best practices
  specific to the patient populations for maximum impact to increase scores and number of
  surveys completed.
- The dialysis clinic continues to rank in the top 5% for all California outpatient clinics in patient satisfaction.

4N monitors the following nurse sensitive quality indicators:

CLINICAL QUALITY	4 North			
	3Q18	4Q18	1Q19	2Q19
Central line associated blood stream infection (CLABSI)	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
NHSN Mean	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
Catheter associated urinary tract infection (CAUTI)	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
NHSN Mean	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
Falls/1000 pt days	2.75	0.78	1.22	3.73
NDNQI Mean	3.06	3.28	2.98	2.98
Injury Falls/1000 pt days	0.39	0.39	0.00	0.41
NDNQI Mean	0.66	0.63	0.62	0.62
% pts. Stage 2+HAPI - 1 Day PREVALENCE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
*Hospital Acquired Pressure Injury NDNQI Mean	1.36	1.08	1.31	1.20
Hypoglycemia (% Patient Days < 70)	4.80	5.70	5.80	5.90
KDHCD Mean	3.30	3.20	3.20	3.50

#### Policy, Strategic or Tactical Issues

- 4N performs weekly prevalence rounds evaluating skin and urinary/bloodstream catheters.
- The vast majority of patients on 4North are diabetics, many of which with complicated outof-control blood sugars; resulting in difficult to maintain optimal blood sugars; and therefore have the highest population above the mean for normal blood sugar levels.
- 4N continues to work with the post-surgical departments for Post-Surgical Acute Kidney Injury (AKI) reduction.
- Dialysis clinic continues to engage in efforts to increase fistula rates and decrease central lines.
- Plans for reduction in length of stay for newly diagnosed kidney failure and sepsis patients.
- 4N performs daily discharge rounds and participates in discharge management/throughput committees on a bimonthly basis.
- Coordinated the addition of a patient risk for violence assessment for inpatient/outpatient areas.
- Coordinated the transition of new workflow for Restraint documentation and monitoring.
- Coordinating the workflow of patients that present to the emergency department with a
  dialysis related/access issue; with efforts to keep them from needing to be admitted for
  outpatient-related care.

#### Recommendations/Next Steps

- Focused efforts on reduction in length of stay for sepsis, AKI and vascular access patients.
- Continued focused efforts on improving the patient experience and inspiring a culture of excellence within our staff.
- Collaboration with human resources on staff satisfaction survey action plans through the recent employee engagement survey.
- Continued KDHub optimization related to documentation, policies and medication administration safety.
- Maintain sustained improvements CAUTI, CLABSI, HAPI and falls and falls with injury reduction.
- Focused efforts on improving compliance with Heparin and blood administration.
- Continue focused partnership with the Clinical Education team and Advanced Practice Nurses to shore up the on-boarding and orientation process for new staff on all units.
- Continue to promote active engagement of our physician partners.
- Finance is working on a way to report the outpatient service line revenue separating hemodialysis (blood) from peritoneal dialysis (abdomen).

### Approvals/Conclusions

- Strive for overall quality outcomes and set goals to continue to improve.
- Overall increase in outpatient CAPD patient care volumes:
  - o CAPD clinic increased by nearly 20% (5-6 patients)
- Collaboration with finance, patient accounting and insurance contracts to find ways to become a more profitable service line. Currently evaluating and revenue collection.

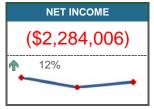
### **OUTPATIENT DIALYSIS SERVICES - Summary**

#### **KEY METRICS - FY 2019**









\*Note: Arrows represent the change from prior year and the lines represent the 3-year trend

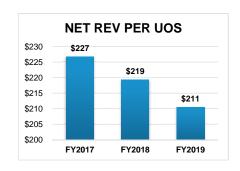
#### **FY 2019 METRICS**

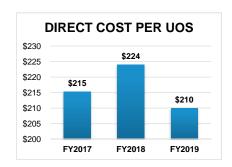
SERVICE LINE	STATISTIC	NET REVENUE	NET REV PER UOS	CONTRIBUTION MARGIN
OUTPT DIALYSIS SVCS	32,445	\$6,831,754	\$211	\$10,006

#### **DIALYSIS TOTALS - 3 YEAR TREND**

METRIC	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	%Change from Prior Yr	3 YR Trend
STATISTIC	29,304	30,012	32,445	<b>1</b> 8%	
NET REVENUE	\$6,646,400	\$6,584,431	\$6,831,754	<b>1</b> 4%	_
DIRECT COST	\$6,308,447	\$6,718,971	\$6,821,748	<b>^</b> 2%	
CONTRIBUTION MARGIN	\$337,953	(\$134,539)	\$10,006	<b>1</b> 07%	\
INDIRECT COST	\$2,359,665	\$2,464,959	\$2,294,012	<b>J</b> -7%	
NET INCOME	(\$2,021,711)	(\$2,599,498)	(\$2,284,006)	<b>12</b> %	<b>\</b>
NET REV PER UOS	\$227	\$219	\$211	<b>↓</b> -4%	1
DIRECT COST PER UOS	\$215	\$224	\$210	<b>⊸</b> -6%	
CONTR MARGIN PER UOS	\$12	(\$4)	\$0	<b>1</b> 07%	\

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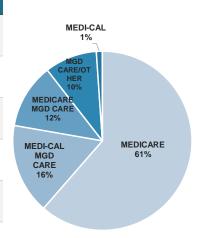




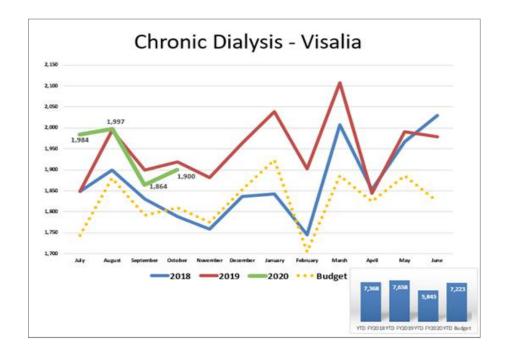
### **OUTPATIENT DIALYSIS SERVICES - Summary**

#### **PAYER MIX - 3 YEAR TREND**

PAYER	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
MEDICARE	68%	63%	61%
MEDI-CAL MGD CARE	12%	15%	16%
MEDICARE MGD CARE	11%	12%	12%
MGD CARE/OTHER	8%	8%	9%
MEDI-CAL	2%	1%	1%
CASH PAY	0%	0%	0%



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### Medical ICU (2W) and Step Down ICU (3W)

Jon Knudsen, MSN, FNP-C Director Critical Care Services 559-624-2503

#### Summary Issue/Service Considered

- Proactively working with the cardiovascular critical care director and educators in developing our ongoing critical care nurse internship (CCNI) program.
- Continually working to recruit open positions, reduce contract labor, and retain our high quality staff.
- Active surveillance of all quality measures including and focused improvements in Hospital Acquired Pressure Injuries (HAPI), and Central Line Associated Bloodstream Infections (CLABSI); with the greatest focus currently on HAPIs with managers and educators performing weekly rounds.
- Continued optimization efforts regarding KDHub specific to critical care for both staff and physicians; namely medication administration.
- Collaborating with the Intensivist physician group to facilitate effective daily patient rounds in the ICU; and hospitalist group on 3West, enhancing both resident and nursing learning.
- We have continues growth of our Neurosurgical patients, led by Dr. Joe Chen. They have consulted and intervened with four-fold the number of patients we originally projected.

### Quality/Performance Improvement Data

 ICU and 3W continue to work with the Patient Experience Director to identify best practices to maximum impact to increase scores on inpatient units; as patients are rarely discharged from these 2 units.

2W and 3W monitor the following nurse sensitive quality indicators:

CLINICAL QUALITY	2 West	(ICU)			3 Wes	3 West (ICCU)		
	3Q18	4Q18	1Q19	2Q19	3Q18	4Q18	1Q19	2Q19
Central line associated blood stream infection (CLABSI)	4.20	4.00	1.00	1.00	9.20	9.20	0.00	1.00
NHSN Mean	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90
Catheter associated urinary tract infection (CAUTI)	2.20	2.20	1.00	0.00	3.20	1.70	0.00	1.00
NHSN Mean	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.70
Falls/1000 pt days	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.71	0.42	0.82	0.00	0.00
NDNQI Mean	0.97	1.05	0.94	1.06	2.50	2.60	2.58	2.65
Injury Falls/1000 pt days	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.42	0.41	0.00	0.00
NDNQI Mean	0.15	0.14	0.17	0.19	0.52	0.49	0.59	0.53
% pts. Stage 2+HAPI - 1 Day PREVALENCE	0.00	10.53	7.69	6.67	3.57	8.82	7.69	3.33
*Hospital Acquired Pressure Injury NDNQI Mean	4.27	4.43	5.38	5.01	2.29	1.68	2.37	2.11
Hypoglycemia (% Patient Days < 70)	5.10	6.40	3.10	5.80	5.40	5.50	1.80	4.70
KDHCD Mean	3.90	3.60	3.60	4.00	3.90	3.60	3.60	4.00

### Policy, Strategic or Tactical Issues

- Managers and assistant managers round daily focusing on central line necessity; which is part of the action plan for improvement on being higher than the mean.
- Patients receiving end of life care are more susceptible to skin breakdown and count in the quarterly prevalence studies, giving these areas a higher than preferred prevalence of skin issues.
- Sepsis reduction work has resulted in decreased mortality as well as a financial savings of more than one million dollars fiscal year ending 2019.
- ICU and 3W have active participation in the National Surgery and Quality Improvement Program (NSQIP), initiative Ventilator Associated Pneumonia (VAP) and Sepsis reduction.
- Both ICU and 3W perform daily interdisciplinary discharge rounds and participate in discharge management/throughput committees.
- Coordinated the transition to an electronic flowsheet for Heparin drip monitoring for all medical-surgical units, as it has been successful on ICU and 3W.
- Coordinated the transition of new workflow for Restraint documentation and monitoring through the efforts of the quality/performance improvement med surg/critical care nurse; including end of shift attestations as recommended by the Joint Commission.
- Collaborated with the environmental services director to streamline linen delivery, cleanup and utilization..

#### Recommendations/Next Steps

- Work with the executive team to trial an automatic hand hygiene compliance tool; with the goal of reducing hospital acquired infections (HAI); will be implementing December 2019 for a 5 month trial in the ICU and 4 North (renal services).
- Continued efforts on reduction in length of stay for sepsis.
- Anticipating a full ICU refurbishment projected to begin in late Spring 2020.
- Continued focused efforts on improving the patient and family experience and inspiring a culture of excellence within our staff.
- Continued focus on staff satisfaction survey action plans from our recent employee engagement survey.
- Continued KDHub optimization related to documentation, policies and medication administration safety by working with the medication safety committee and the newly formed Nursing medication safety committee.
- Focused efforts on improving compliance with Heparin infusions and patients in restraints and compliant documentation.
- Continue focused partnership with the Clinical Education team and Advanced Practice
  Nurses to shore up the on-boarding and orientation process for new staff within the critical
  care floors.
- Continue to promote active engagement of our physician partners by attending their department meetings and by inviting them to the unit specific meetings like the comprehensive unit safety team meetings (CUSP).

### Approvals/Conclusions

Strive for overall quality outcomes and set goals to continue to improve beyond the mean.

# Kaweah Delta Health Care District Annual Report to the Board of Directors

### **Orthopedic Service Line**

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November 7, 2019

#### Summary Issue/Service Considered

- 1. Providing exceptional comprehensive orthopedic care through quality outcomes, efficiency, and cost effective care.
- 2. Ensuring that Orthopedics Services continues to provide the full continuum of services to the community.

#### Analysis of financial/statistical data:

The orthopedic service line had a contribution margin of \$11,635,588 this fiscal year, compared to \$7,464,895 last year. The orthopedic service line experienced a 56% increase in contribution margin compared to the previous year. The increase in contribution margin is related to the decrease in direct cost by reducing the LOS, decrease with implant cost, and increase with overall inpatient surgical cases. There was an overall 9% increase in volume from 3,840 cases to 4,172 cases.

The inpatient surgical orthopedic volume increased by 13% compared to the previous year. The contribution margin per case improved by \$1190 (23%), and the direct cost per case declined by \$1764 (-12%) per case. The inpatient orthopedic service had a substantial contribution margin of \$9,914,903, an overall increase of 39% compared to last year. The orthopedic net income ended the year with \$4,642,117 compared to the previous year, \$2,170,923.

The inpatient medical orthopedic volume increased by 13% compared to the previous year. The contribution margin per case improved by \$16 (1%), and the direct cost per case declined by \$658 (-10%) per case. The inpatient medical orthopedic service line contribution margin ended the year with \$1,372,737 compared to the previous year, \$1,211,437.

The outpatient orthopedic volume increased by 5% compared to the previous year. For the first time in three years, the outpatient orthopedic surgery service line had a positive contribution margin of \$347,948. In FY 2018, it was a negative contribution of -\$882,773 and FY 2017 was a negative contribution of -\$112,360. The increase in the contribution is related to both decreasing the direct cost per case to \$3,707 (-11%) and increase the net revenue per case to \$3,868 (4%). The payer mix remained stable with the outpatient orthopedic surgical volume.

### Quality/Performance Improvement Data

Actively working with the marketing department to provide educational events in the community lead by the orthopedic surgeons. Orthopedic surgeons are directly collaborating with local primary care physicians to build long-term referral relationships. Able to increase orthopedic primary market share by .5% (60.7% overall) and the secondary market by 5.6% (27.6% overall) compared to the previous year.

According to the National Surgical Quality Improvement Program (NSQIP), Kaweah Delta continues to outperform the national benchmark related to orthopedic surgical complications in the following areas: urinary tract infections, pneumonia, VTE (venous thromboembolism prophylaxis), and surgical site infections.

Orthopedics continues to work closely with the trauma department to track the orthopedic trauma transfers. Cases are reviewed on a quarterly basis. We are working closely with the orthopedic traumatologist to provide additional call coverage and currently establishing a fair market case rate with the compliance department.

Patient satisfaction with the orthopedic physicians continues to average in the 68th percentile compared to their peer group.

The average length of stay for elective joint replacement patients is 1.53 days compared nationally to 1.97 days.

Performance and trends are carefully monitored for implant cost per case, joint camp attendance, infection rates, re-admission rates, complication rates, and functional assessments. Case reviews are completed with surgeons regarding infection, re-admission, and complications.

Orthopedics continues to be designated as Blue Distinction Center for the spine, knee, and hip replacement. To earn this distinction, we have a full range of patient support services with multidisciplinary teams to coordinate and streamline care, including shared decision making and preoperative patient education.

### Policy, Strategic or Tactical Issues

- The orthopedic co-management arrangement was implemented approximately six years
  ago. Currently working on renewing the contract for an additional two years with
  substantially less incentive compensation. Over the past six years, this arrangement has
  resulted in assisting with the growth of the orthopedic service line, improved safety and
  quality in direct patient care, as well as overall efficiency and profitability.
- 2. The incentive compensation with the new contract will focus on standardizing supply, implant, and drug costs with each surgical case. The sub-committees will continue to focus efforts around outreach/marketing, and operational performance and efficiency.
- Working closely with media relations, marketing, and internal key leaders to create a comprehensive and robust orthopedic program that will be known in the community as the Kaweah Delta Joint Replacement Institute.
- 4. Closely monitoring referral leakage and outmigration numbers. Focusing on both community members and primary care physicians to increase the market share. Emphasizing the importance of using local surgeons.

- 5. Working closely with Human Resources to recruit additional orthopedic surgeons as the orthopedic demands continue to grow in the region. Successfully hired a fellowshiptraining orthopedic surgeon specializing in joint replacements and an orthopedic spine surgeon who will be here by the end of the year.
- 6. Nurse Practitioner has been working with the orthopedic service for 1.5 years to assist with throughput and better coordination of care and efficiency with the entire continuum of care for orthopedics.

#### Recommendations/Next Steps

- 1. The co-management agreement will continue to promote alignment of both parties' interests in improving quality, outcomes, and efficiency. Also, it prepares both groups for the changing healthcare delivery models.
- Carefully watching the orthopedic surgical market shifting more and more into the
  outpatient surgical arena. Orthopedic surgeries that were traditionally performed as an
  inpatient are changing to outpatient. Working with the outpatient surgery staff and
  contracting department to provide orthopedic procedures safely and efficiently in the
  outpatient surgery areas. Currently evaluating same-day outpatient joint replacement
  surgeries.
- 3. Continuing to work on patient flow, improving efficiency in the surgery department, and clinical quality with the entire orthopedic service line with the primary focus on hip fractures and joint replacement patients.
- 4. Focus efforts in reducing the overall length of stay with orthopedic surgical cases to the geometric length of stay (GMLOS).
- 5. Continue with the physician partnership development, as well as referral relations, and marketing/community health outreach in orthopedics.
- 6. Support recruitment efforts for Board Certified Orthopedic Surgeons that specialize in the latest treatment in the area hands and trauma.
- 7. Continue to respond to Medicare initiatives related to Orthopedics at the State and National level.

### Approvals/Conclusions

Orthopedic services will focus in the coming year on:

- 1. Work with the entire continuum of care from pre-surgery to post-surgery (rehabilitation physicians) to provide quality and comprehensive orthopedic services.
- 2. Continue to review profitability, contribution margin to identify opportunities for volume, growth, cost containment, customer satisfaction, and clinical excellence.

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# KDHCD ANNUAL BOARD REPORT

**Orthopedic Services - Summary** 

# **KEY METRICS - FY 2019**



Note: Arrows represent the change from prior year and the lines represent the 3-year trend.

#### **FY 2019 METRICS**

SERVICE LINE	PATIENT CASES	NET REVENUE	NET REV PER CASE	CONTRIBUTION MARGIN
Inpatient Orthopedic -Surgical Services	1,555	\$29,883,471	\$19,218	\$9,914,903
Inpatient Orthopedic - Medical Services	462	\$4,026,015	\$8,714	\$1,372,737
Outpatient Orthopedic Surgeries	2,155	\$8,335,605	\$3,868	\$347,948
Orthopedic Surgery Total	4,172	\$42,245,091	\$10,126	\$11,635,588

## **Orthopedic Services TOTALS - 3 YEAR TREND**

METRIC	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	% Change from Prior Year	3 YR Trend
PATIENT CASES	3,650	3,840	4,172	<b>1</b> 9%	
NET REVENUE	39,072,087	38,694,025	42,245,091	<b>1</b> 9%	_/
DIRECT COST	30,878,697	31,229,130	30,609,503	<b>⊎</b> -2%	
CONTRIBUTION MARGIN	8,193,390	7,464,895	11,635,588	<b>↑</b> 56%	_/
INDIRECT COST	7,017,547	8,384,156	8,384,913	<b>1</b> 0%	
NET INCOME	1,175,843	(919,261)	3,250,675	<b>1</b> 454%	

Notes:

Source: Inpatient and outpatient Service Line Reports.

Selection Criteria for Orthopedic Services: Inpatient: Hospital #: KDHS; Service Line 1: Orthopedics, Surgical Services

Selection Criteria for OP Orthopedic Surgeries: Service Line 1= O/P Surgery, EncTypeMne = OP

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# Inpatient Orthopedic Surgery -Surgical Services

### **KEY METRICS - FY 2019**



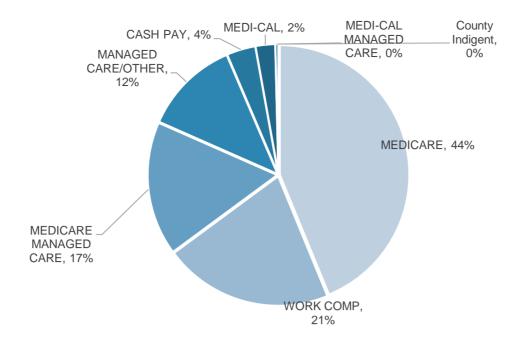
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### **ALL METRICS - 3 YEAR TREND**

METRIC	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019		Change om Prior Year	3 YR Trend
PATIENT CASES	Inpa 1,378	1,376	1,555	•	13%	
PATIENT DAYS	5,806	5,121	5,560	•	9%	
NET REVENUE	\$28,176,086	\$27,233,728	\$29,883,471	•	10%	
DIRECT COST	\$20,664,612	\$20,097,497	\$19,968,568	•	-1%	
CONTRIBUTION MARGIN	\$7,511,474	\$7,136,231	\$9,914,903	•	39%	
INDIRECT COST	\$4,355,326	\$4,965,308	\$5,272,786	•	6%	
NET INCOME	\$3,156,148	\$2,170,923	\$4,642,117	•	114%	
NET REV PER CASE	\$20,447	\$19,792	\$19,218	•	-3%	
DIRECT COST PER CASE	\$14,996	\$14,606	\$12,842	•	-12%	
CONTRB MARGIN PER CASE	\$5,451	\$5,186	\$6,376	•	23%	
ALOS	4.2	3.7	3.6	4	-4%	
ALOS OPPORTUNITY	0.7	0.4	0.5	•	14%	

### **PAYER MIX - 3 YEAR TREND**

PAYER	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
MEDICARE	47%	50%	44%
WORK COMP	23%	21%	21%
MEDICARE MANAGED CARE	11%	13%	17%
MANAGED CARE/OTHER	10%	9%	12%
CASH PAY	3%	3%	4%
MEDI-CAL	4%	3%	2%
MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE	1%	0%	0%
County Indigent	0%	0%	0%



### Notes:

Source: Inpatient Service Line Reports.

Selection Criteria: Hospital #: KDHS; Service Line 1: Orthopedics, Surgical Services

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# Inpatient Orthopedic Surgery - Medical Services

### **KEY METRICS - FY 2019**



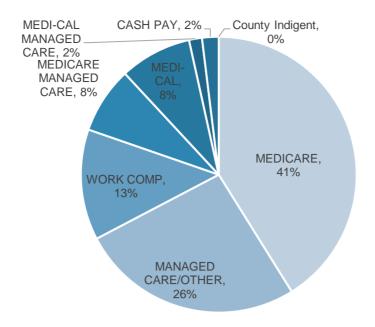
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## **ALL METRICS - 3 YEAR TREND**

METRIC	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	fror	hange n Prior ⁄ear	3 YR Trend
PATIENT CASES	328	410	462	•	13%	
PATIENT DAYS	1,663	1,825	1,846	•	1%	
NET REVENUE	\$3,188,782	\$3,835,907	\$4,026,015	1	5%	
DIRECT COST	\$2,394,506	\$2,624,470	\$2,653,278	•	1%	
CONTRIBUTION MARGIN	\$794,276	\$1,211,437	\$1,372,737	•	13%	
INDIRECT COST	\$735,359	\$1,007,566	\$999,517	•	-1%	
NET INCOME	\$58,917	\$203,871	\$373,220	•	45%	-
NET REV PER CASE	\$9,722	\$9,356	\$8,714	•	-7%	
DIRECT COST PER CASE	\$7,300	\$6,401	\$5,743	Φ	-10%	
CONTRB MARGIN PER CASE	\$2,422	\$2,955	\$2,971	•	1%	
ALOS	5.1	4.5	4.0	•	-10%	
ALOS OPPORTUNITY	1.6	1.0	0.6	•	-37%	

# PAYER MIX - FY2019

PAYER	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
MEDICARE	45%	46%	41%
MANAGED CARE/OTHER	20%	22%	26%
WORK COMP	17%	13%	13%
MEDICARE MANAGED CARE	9%	7%	8%
MEDI-CAL	8%	9%	8%
MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE	1%	1%	2%
CASH PAY	1%	1%	2%
County Indigent	0%	1%	0%



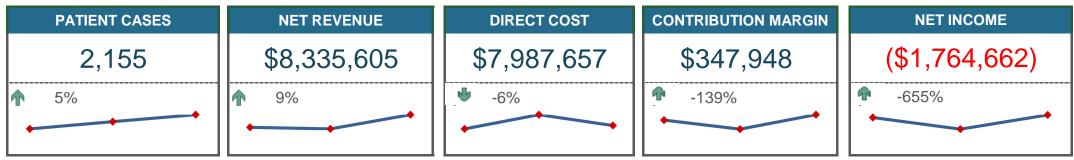
### Notes:

Source: Inpatient Service Line Reports.

Selection Criteria: Hospital #: KDHS; Service Line 1: Orthopedics, Medical Services

# Orthopedic Services - Outpatient Surgery Service Line

### **KEY METRICS - FY 2019**



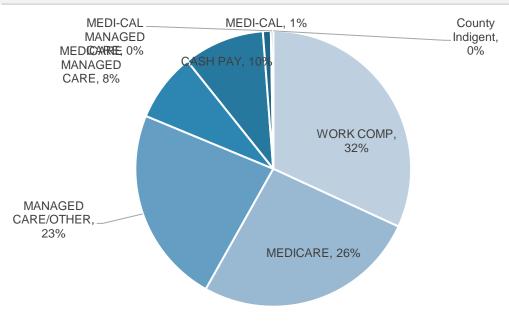
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### **ALL METRICS - 3 YEAR TREND**

METRIC		FY2017	FY2018	FY2019		ange from or Year	3 YR Trend
PATIENT CASES		1,944	2,054	2,155	1	5%	
NET REVENUE		\$7,707,219	\$7,624,390	\$8,335,605	1	9%	
DIRECT COST		\$7,819,579	\$8,507,163	\$7,987,657	•	-6%	
CONTRIBUTION MARGIN		(\$112,360)	(\$882,773)	\$347,948	•	-139%	
INDIRECT COST		\$1,926,862	\$2,411,282	\$2,112,610	•	-12%	
NET INCOME		(\$2,039,222)	(\$3,294,055)	(\$1,764,662)	•	-655%	
NET REV PER CASE	Corpus	\$3,965	\$3,712	\$3,868	1	4%	
DIRECT COST PER CASE		\$4,022	\$4,142	\$3,707	•	-11%	
CONTRB MARGIN PER CASE	Corporal Cor	(\$58)	(\$430)	\$161	•	-159%	

### **PAYER MIX - FY2019**

PAYER	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
WORK COMP	34%	32%	32%
MEDICARE	29%	30%	26%
MANAGED CARE/OTHER	21%	19%	23%
MEDICARE MANAGED CARE	7%	8%	8%
CASH PAY	7%	9%	10%
MEDI-CAL	1%	1%	1%
MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE	1%	1%	0%
County Indigent	0%	0%	0%



Notes:

Source: Outpatient Service Line Reports.

Selection Criteria: Service Line 1= O/P Surgery, EncTypeMne = OP; Surgeon Specialty = Neurological Surgery, Podiatrist, Sugery - Surgery of the Hand & Orthopaedic Surgery

# Kaweah Delta Health Care District Annual Report to the Board of Directors

# Home Health Agency, Private/Specialty Home Care, and Lifeline

Jag Batth, Director

Contact number: 559-624-3794

November 6, 2019

### Summary Issue/Service Considered

- 1. Achieving optimum balance of program priorities to address quality of care, compliance, profitability, and quality of work environment.
- 2. Ensuring that Home Health Services continues to provide the full continuum of services to the community.

#### Analysis of financial/statistical data:

Home Health Agency, Home Care Services, and Lifeline experienced an increase in contribution margin. The three programs had a contribution margin of \$1,404,551 this fiscal year, compared to \$381,259 last fiscal year.

<u>Home Health Agency</u> The program had a 5% increase in total visits compared to last year. The average direct cost per visit decreased by \$18 (-10%), averaging \$161 per visit, and net revenue per visit also increased by \$9 (5%), averaging \$180 per visit. Overall, home health experienced a contribution margin of \$604,493. Payor mix stayed stable, with approximately 72% Medicare/Medicare Managed Care.

Home Care Services The program had a decrease in the number of hours/visits by 8,835 (-6%) for 144,019 hours/visits. The decrease is mostly related to not having enough staff to provide the visits. Kaweah Delta is working on recruiting additional staff to meet the overall demands of the program. The average cost per visit slightly increased, averaging \$20 per visit vs. \$19 per visit the prior year. However, the net revenue per visit increased from \$23 per visit to \$26 per visit. The net revenue increase was mostly related to the specialty home program increase in reimbursement under the Medical waiver program. Overall, the private home care services experienced a contribution margin of \$779,292 compared to \$613,135 the prior year.

<u>Lifeline</u> experienced a decrease in the number of cases by 159 (-9%) for 1592 cases. The average cost per case increased, averaging \$37 per case vs. \$36 per case the prior year. Overall, Lifeline experienced a contribution margin of \$20,668 FY 2019 compared to \$22,057 the previous year.

### Quality/Performance Improvement Data

1. <u>Home Health Agency (HHA):</u> Overall, patient quality of care exceeds national benchmarks. Currently, the home health compare website notes overall quality performance at a 4-star rating (1 through 5 rating scale). The agency has made excellent

gains with a number of quality care initiatives. Out-performing the national average with timely initiation of care, management of medications, improvement with transfers, improvement with bathing, improvement with breathing, and preventing rehospitalizations. Performance and trends are carefully monitored and appropriate action plans are developed for any area that is below the national average. Overall, patient satisfaction is averaging 87% compared to the California average of 80% and the National average of 84%. The HHA patient satisfaction is at a 4-star rating on the publically reported website-home health compare.

- 2. Admissions to home health increased by 25 per month compared to the prior year. The average census also increased by 20 per month compared to the preceding year.
- 3. Home Health Agency had an excellent Joint Commission survey, resulting in a full 3-year accreditation. After an in-depth review, the Joint Commission noted excellent patient safety and care delivery processes. Joint Commission also indicated that the home health agency demonstrates enhanced patient outcomes, high-quality care, and ultimately that the HHA complies with Joint Commission standards of care.
- 4. <u>Private Home Care Services</u>: Client satisfaction scores are measured twice a year and the results continue to indicate a high degree of satisfaction. For 2019 the overall impression and likelihood of recommending to their family and friends was 100%. The overall courtesy of the staff was at 98%, and the admission process was at 91%. Employee engagement and satisfaction has increased to 93% compared to 92% the previous year.

### Policy, Strategic or Tactical Issues

- 1. The Home Health Agency will undergo a significant change in the structure of payment for Medicare patients. The new reimbursement model, Patient-Driven Groups Model (PDGM), is focused on patient characteristics, including diagnoses, comorbid conditions and therapy needs. This model will rebalance the payment system so that medically complex patients are reimbursed more consistently with their cost. This is expected to improve overall home health reimbursement for hospital-based home health programs.
- 2. Closely working with revenue cycle, finance, the managed care team to ensure proper billings and collections, negotiations of insurance rates, and the overall cost of providing the care is being managed well.
- 3. The Home Care division meetings continue quarterly and include Hospice, Home Infusion Pharmacy, Private Home Care, and Home Health on a quarterly basis. It is an excellent collaboration among the various groups to discuss overall quality, regulatory changes, concerns, etc that may affect all of us in the home care division.
- 4. Working closely with case management and the post-acute partners (Skilled Nursing & Acute Rehabilitation) to streamline the referral process to the post-acute settings.
- 5. There have been two publicly reported measures in Home Health that result in a star rating available to the public in regards to quality and overall patient satisfaction. Both ratings are at a 4-star on the home health compare website.
- 6. The Program for Evaluating Payment Patterns Electronic Report (PEPPER) is a comparative report that evaluates specific Medicare statistics against national benchmarks to evaluate charges that are vulnerable to improper payment. We monitor the report closely to ensure any outliers are addressed. Currently, there are no outliers to report.
- Retention and recruitment of clinical staff and leaders. We are working closely with Human Resources to remain competitive with benefits, salaries, and employee engagement.
- 8. There is an extremely competitive market in the region, so we are continuing to market services as well as develop competitive billing practices.

- 9. Monitoring State license requirements for specialty home care, specifically in the area of ventilators and nursing competency requirements and adjust accordingly.
- 10. Working closely with the District Palliative Care program to offer palliative services in the home health setting.
- 11. The lifeline contract ends in Dec 2020. Evaluating the feasibility of continuing the program for an additional two years.
- 12. Strategizing the implementation of electronic visit verification by 2023 for all Medicaid personal care service and home health services.

#### Recommendations/Next Steps

- 1. Maintain positive productivity in support of improved or sustained positive financial performance for all programs.
- 2. Monitor all publicly reported quality measures to achieve or sustain performance that exceeds national benchmarks. This will include the following:
  - i. ongoing audits of both start of care and discharge documentation
  - ii. timeliness completion and staff education in regards to documentation
  - iii. Continue to work closely with Patient Billing to ensure all revenues issues are being addressed promptly. This will include the following:
    - -in-depth analysis of revenue, payments, and denials
    - -monthly review of financial reports with the patient billing department
    - -electronic billing implementation with payers
  - iv. initial certification documentation is complete (face-to-face requirements)
- 3. Participate in outreach programs and opportunities such as community forums and health fairs to market to consumers, physicians, and the overall community.
- 4. Working closely with Family HealthCare Network (FHCN) to improve communication with the FHCN Providers and home health clinical and office staff
- 5. Develop and implement a plan to address employee satisfaction using the Press Ganey results.

### Approvals/Conclusions

#### In the coming year, Home Health Services will focus on:

- 1. Implementation of goals related to District cornerstones for Home Health, Private Home Care, and Lifeline to enhance program development, the satisfaction of all stakeholders, program marketing, and clinical quality of services.
- 2. Work with the entire continuum of care from the Acute Care Hospital to the post-acute care providers to meet patient needs and timely placement in the Home Health Care services.
- 3. Continue to review profitability, contribution margin to identify opportunities for volume, growth cost containment, customer satisfaction, and clinical excellence.

### **HOME HEALTH SERVICES - Summary**

#### **KEY METRICS - FY 2019**











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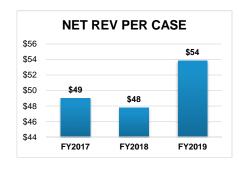
#### **FY 2019 METRICS**

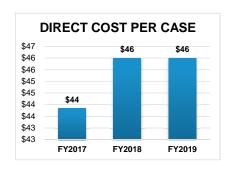
SERVICE LINE	VISITS	NET REVENUE	NET REV PER CASE	CONTRIBUTION MARGIN
HOME HEALTH AGENCY	32,091	\$5,766,927	\$180	\$604,593
LIFELINE	1,592	\$78,847	\$50	\$20,666
HOME CARE	144,019	\$3,717,520	\$26	\$779,292

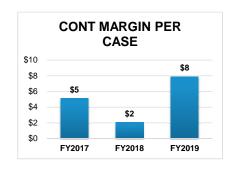
#### **HOME HEALTH TOTALS - 3 YEAR TREND**

METRIC	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	%Change from Prior Yr	3 YR Trend
VISITS	203,430	185,118	177,702	<b>J</b> -4%	-
NET REVENUE	\$9,965,693	\$8,843,173	\$9,563,294	<b>1</b> 8%	
DIRECT COST	\$8,919,151	\$8,461,914	\$8,158,743	<b>4</b> -4%	1
CONTRIBUTION MARGIN	\$1,046,542	\$381,259	\$1,404,551	<b>1</b> 268%	<b>\</b>
INDIRECT COST	\$1,692,810	\$2,084,089	\$1,843,016	<b>J</b> -12%	
NET INCOME	(\$646,268)	(\$1,702,830)	(\$438,465)	<b>1</b> 74%	<b>\</b>
NET REV PER CASE	\$49	\$48	\$54	<b>13</b> %	_
DIRECT COST PER CASE	\$44	\$46	\$46	→ 0%	
CONTR MARGIN PER CASE	\$5	\$2	\$8	<b>1</b> 284%	<b>/</b>

#### **GRAPHS**







#### HOME HEALTH - Home Health Agency

#### **KEY METRICS - FY 2019**











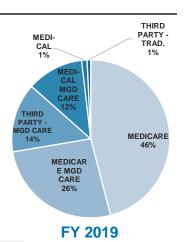
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#### **ALL METRICS - 3 YEAR TREND**

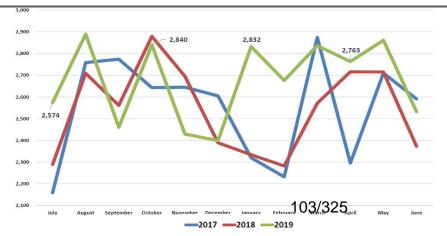
METRIC	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	%Change from Prior Yr	3 YR Trend
VISITS	30,607	30,513	32,091	<b>^</b> 5%	
NET REVENUE	\$6,067,644	\$5,214,446	\$5,766,927	<b>1</b> 1%	<b>\</b>
DIRECT COST	\$5,677,058	\$5,468,379	\$5,162,334	<b>-5.6%</b>	-
CONTRIBUTION MARGIN	\$390,586	(\$253,933)	\$604,593	<b>1</b> 338%	<b>\</b>
INDIRECT COST	\$920,629	\$1,156,906	\$1,130,015	<b>J</b> -2%	
NET INCOME	(\$530,043)	(\$1,410,839)	(\$525,422)	<b>1</b> 63%	$\checkmark$
NET REV PER CASE	\$198	\$171	\$180	<b>1</b> 5%	1
DIRECT COST PER CASE	\$185	\$179	\$161	<b>-10%</b>	-
CONTR MARGIN PER CASE	\$13	(\$8)	\$19	<b>↑</b> 336%	<b>\</b>

#### **PAYOR MIX - 3 YEAR TREND**

PAYOR	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
MEDICARE	62%	48%	46%
MEDICARE MGD CARE	14%	23%	26%
THIRD PARTY - MGD CARE	8%	13%	14%
MEDI-CAL MGD CARE	8%	12%	12%
MEDI-CAL	5%	2%	1%
THIRD PARTY - TRAD.	2%	1%	1%
SELF PAY	0%	0%	0%
THIRD PARTY - CAPITATED	0%	0%	0%
CHARITY	0%	0%	0%



#### **HOME HEALTH VISITS - GRAPH OF 3 YEAR TREND**





#### FY2019

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#### **HOME HEALTH - Lifeline**

#### **KEY METRICS - FY 2019**









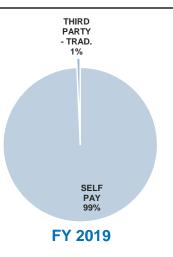
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#### **ALL METRICS - 3 YEAR TREND**

METRIC	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	%Change from Prior Yr 3 YR Tre	end
VISITS	1,916	1,751	1,592	<b>J</b> -9%	<b>\</b>
NET REVENUE	\$89,748	\$84,312	\$78,847	<b>↓</b> -6%	_
DIRECT COST	\$75,759	\$62,255	\$58,181	<b>J</b> -7%	
CONTRIBUTION MARGIN	\$13,989	\$22,057	\$20,666	<b>↓</b> -6%	-
INDIRECT COST	\$12,586	\$12,257	\$11,144	<b>•</b> -9%	\
NET INCOME	\$1,403	\$9,800	\$9,522	<b>↓</b> -3%	•
NET REV PER CASE	\$47	\$48	\$50	♠ 3%	_
DIRECT COST PER CASE	\$40	\$36	\$37	<b>↑</b> 2%	
CONTR MARGIN PER CASE	\$7	\$13	\$13	₩ 0%	•

#### **PAYOR MIX - FY2019**

PAYOR	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
SELF PAY	92%	99%	99%
THIRD PARTY - TRAD.	8%	1%	1%
THIRD PARTY - MGD CARE	0%	0%	0%
MEDICARE	0%	0%	0%
MEDICARE MGD CARE	0%	0%	0%
MEDI-CAL MGD CARE	0%	0%	0%
MEDI-CAL	0%	0%	0%
THIRD PARTY - CAPITATED	0%	0%	0%
CHARITY	0%	0%	0%



#### **HOME HEALTH - Home Care**

#### **KEY METRICS - FY 2019**











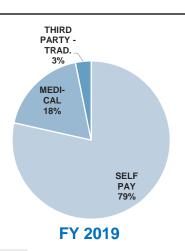
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#### **ALL METRICS - 3 YEAR TREND**

METRIC	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	%Change from Prior Yr	3 YR Trend
VISITS	170,907	152,854	144,019	<b>-</b> 6%	1
NET REVENUE	\$3,808,301	\$3,544,415	\$3,717,520	<b>1</b> 5%	<b>\</b>
DIRECT COST	\$3,166,334	\$2,931,280	\$2,938,228	<b>•</b> 0%	
CONTRIBUTION MARGIN	\$641,967	\$613,135	\$779,292	<b>1</b> 27%	_
INDIRECT COST	\$759,595	\$914,926	\$701,857	<b>J</b> -23%	
NET INCOME	(\$117,628)	(\$301,791)	\$77,435	<b>126%</b>	
NET REV PER CASE	\$22	\$23	\$26	<b>12</b> %	-
DIRECT COST PER CASE	\$19	\$19	\$20	<b>1</b> 7%	
CONTR MARGIN PER CASE	\$4	\$4	\$5	<b>1</b> 35%	

#### **PAYOR MIX - FY2019**

PAYOR	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
SELF PAY	78%	78%	79%
MEDI-CAL	18%	19%	18%
THIRD PARTY - TRAD.	3%	3%	3%
THIRD PARTY - MGD CARE	0%	0%	0%
MEDICARE	0%	0%	0%
MEDICARE MGD CARE	0%	0%	0%
MEDI-CAL MGD CARE	1%	0%	0%
THIRD PARTY - CAPITATED	0%	0%	0%
CHARITY	0%	0%	0%



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### FINANCIAL DATA - Do Not Re-sort (some are formulas)

CLINIC NAME	METRIC NAME	KEY	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
		1	2	3	4
HOME HEALTH	VISITS	HOME HEALTH AGENCYVISITS	30,607	30,513	32,09
HOME HEALTH	TOTAL CHARGE	HOME HEALTH AGENCYTOTAL CHARGE	\$6,969,838	\$6,765,498	\$6,646,610
HOME HEALTH	NET REVENUE	HOME HEALTH AGENCYNET REVENUE	\$6,067,644	\$5,214,446	\$5,766,92
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HOME HEALTH	REIMB/TOTAL CHARGE	HOME HEALTH AGENCYREIMB/TOTAL CHAI	87%	77%	87
HOME HEALTH	DFR%	HOME HEALTH AGENCYDFR%	13%	23%	13
LIFELINE	VISITS	LIFELINEVISITS	1,916	1,751	1,592
LIFELINE	TOTAL CHARGE	LIFELINETOTAL CHARGE	\$90,419	\$86,255	\$79,211
LIFELINE	NET REVENUE	LIFELINENET REVENUE	\$89,748	\$84,312	\$78,847
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LIFELINE	REIMB/TOTAL CHARGE	LIFELINEREIMB/TOTAL CHARGE	99%	98%	100
LIFELINE	DFR%	LIFELINEDFR%	1%	2%	1
HOME CARE	VISITS	HOME CAREVISITS	170,907	152,854	144,019
HOME CARE	TOTAL CHARGE	HOME CARETOTAL CHARGE	\$3,836,784	\$3,626,079	\$3,734,065
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HOME CARE	REIMB/TOTAL CHARGE DFR%	HOME CAREREIMB/TOTAL CHARGE	99%	98%	100
SUMMARY	VISITS	HOME CAREDFR% SUMMARYVISITS	1% 203,430	2% 185.118	177,702
SUMMARY			\$10.897.041	\$10,477,832	\$10,459,892
SUMMARY	TOTAL CHARGE NET REVENUE	SUMMARYTOTAL CHARGE SUMMARYNET REVENUE	\$9,965,693	\$8,843,173	\$10,459,892
SUMMARY		SUMMARYDIRECT COST	\$8,919,151	\$8,461,914	
SUMMARY	DIRECT COST			\$381,259	\$8,158,743
SUMMARY	CONTRIBUTION MARGIN	SUMMARYCONTRIBUTION MARGIN	\$1,046,542		\$1,404,55
SUMMARY	INDIRECT COST	SUMMARYINDIRECT COST	\$1,692,810 (\$646,268)	\$2,084,089 (\$1,702,830)	\$1,843,016 (\$438,46
	NET INCOME	SUMMARYNET INCOME	(\$040,208)	(\$1,702,030)	(\$436,46
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# 202 W. Willow, LLC.

- The Malli Family gifted 30%, or 3,000 shares, ownership of 202 W. Willow, LLC dated October 31, 2017 - recorded at capital account balance of \$858,026.
- The LLC owns and rents a 32,293 square foot medical building located at 202 W. Willow. The District currently rents five suites in this building.
- Other owners include the Malli Family Trust (37%), Johnson Family Revocable Trust (15%), Kneeland Family Revocable Trust (10%), Spade Family Revocable Trust (5%) and May Family Revocable Trust (3%).

# Financial Report – 202 W. Willow, LLC October 31, 2019

Initial Gift - October 2017	\$ 858,026
Income Allocation (30%) - 11/1/2017 to	
9/30/2019	82,055
Income Distribution (30%) - 11/1/2017 to	
9/30/2019	(48,000)

Investment Balance - October 31, 2019 \$892,081





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Approvers: Board of Directors (Administration)		
Accommodating Persons with Service Animals Use of Guide Dogs		

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#### POLICY:

Many people with disabilities use a service animal in order to fully participate in everyday life. Kaweah Delta Health Care District ("Kaweah Delta"), in conformance with Federal and State Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements, will allow any visitor or patient the use of service animalsquide dogs as auxiliary aids. The ADA definition of service animals is any "dog individually trained to do work or perform tasks directly related to the partner's disability, including, but not an limited to, guiding individuals with impaired vision, alerting individuals who are hearing impaired to intruders or sounds, providing non-violent protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair, fetching dropped items, assisting an indivudal individual during a seizure, alerting individuals to the presence of allergens, or helping persons with psychiatric and neurological disabilities by preventing or interrupting impulsice or destructive behaviors." If an animal meets this definition, it is consideration a service animal regardless of whether it has been licensed or certified by a state or local government or a training program.

The <u>service animals</u>dogs may be used in all situations except where it can clearly be shown that the presence or use of the animal would pose a significant health risk; in sterile areas such as the operating room, and newborn nursery; in the intensive care unit; or where the <u>animal'sdog's</u> behavior is disruptive to the environment.

#### PROCEDURE:

Visitors - Unless specifically excluded above, visitors shall be allowed the use of a <u>service animalguide dog</u> in accordance with the <u>District Kaweah Delta's visitation visiting policy</u>. For clarifications or questions, contact the House Supervisor for determination.

#### II. Patients

- A. Outpatient Settings Service Animals Guide dogs will be allowed in the outpatient setting.
- B. Inpatient Settings When a patient who is dependent upon a <u>service</u> animalguide dog is hospitalized on bed rest and unable to care for

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him/herself the service animal, , the dog will not be permitted to remain at the District facility, the patient can make arrangements for a family member or friend to come to the hospital to provide these services or to keep the dog during the hospitalization.

When the hospitalized patient is <u>able to ambulate ambulatory</u> or may benefit clinically from having the <u>service animalguide dog</u> present, the <u>animalguide</u> will be permitted to remain with the patient. The patient, family member, and/or designee will be responsible for grooming, feeding, and toileting the <u>service animalguide</u>.

<sup>&</sup>quot;These guidelines, procedures, or policies herein do not represent the only medically or legally acceptable approach, but rather are presented with the recognition that acceptable approaches exist. Deviations under appropriate circumstances do not represent a breach of a medical standard of care. New knowledge, new techniques, clinical or research data, clinical experience, or clinical or bio-ethical circumstances may provide sound reasons for alternative approaches, even though they are not described in the document."



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Patient Privacy Use and Disclosure of Patient Information		

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Purpose PURPOSE: This policy outlines how KDHCD-Kaweah Delta Health

Care District (Kaweah Delta) complies with the patient privacy requirements and the use and disclosure of Protected Health

Information (patient information PHI) in accordance with the Federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act and the requirements of State of California privacy-related laws and regulations.

PelicyPOLICY: KDHCD-Kaweah Delta complies with all Federal and State of California laws and regulations with regards to protecting patient privacy and using or disclosing patient information. When PHI is used, disclosed, or requested, Kaweah Delta will take reasonable efforts to limit the PHI that is used, disclosed, or requested to the minimum amount necessary to accomplish the purpose of the use, disclosure, or request.

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

"Limited Data Set" is protected health information that excludes directidentifiers of patients, including: (a) names, (b) address information, other than town or city, State, and zip code (5-number zip code), (c) telephone numbers, (d) fax numbers, (e) electronic mail addresses, (f) social security numbers, (g) medical record numbers, (h) health plan beneficiary numbers, (i) account numbers, (j) certificate/license numbers, (k) vehicle identifiers and serial numbers, including license plate numbers, (l) device identifiers and serial numbers, (m) web universal resource locators (URLs), (n) Internet Protocol (IP) address numbers, (o) biometric identifiers, including finger and voice prints; and (p) full face photographic images and any comparable images; and (q) any other unique identifying number, characteristic or code.

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4. "Organized Health Care Arrangement" means a clinically integrated caresetting in which individuals typically receive health care from more than one health care provider or an organized system of health care where more than one covered entity participates and where the participating covered entities and the providers hold themselves out to the public as participating in a joint arrangement. For KDHCDKaweah Delta, the District, including all of its

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facilities and services, credentialed medical staff, and allied health professionals, is in an organized health care arrangement.

<u>"Protected Health Information (PHI)" Individually identifiable health information that is transmitted by electronic media, maintained in electronic media, or transmitted or maintained in any other form or medium. May also be referred to as electronic protected health information (ePHI).</u>

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meansA any information in any form or medium that is created or received by Kaweah Delta that relates to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual; the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual. (See AP.53 Patients' Rights and Responsibilities for a more comprehensive definition)

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Information (i) that is created or received by a health care provider, health plan, public health authority, employer, life insurer, school or university, or health care clearinghouse about a patient and (ii) including demographic information that may identify a patient that relates to the patient's past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition, related health care services, or payment for health care services.

"Protected Health Information" ("PHI") means individually identifiable health and demographic information created by KDHCDKaweah Delta and relating to the physical or mental health or the provision of care to an individual which identifies the individual; or with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual. It includes verbal, written or electronically maintained information.

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#### PROCESS:

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H. KDHCDKaweah Delta may use or disclose PHI for treatment of patients, request payment for services, and for health care operations activities. KDHCDKaweah Delta discloses PHI to other health care providers and/or business associates for these same activities to ensure continuity of care.

II. Disclosures of PHI -

A. For disclosures of PHI except as permitted or required by this policy, KDHCDKaweah Delta shall obtain a valid authorization from the patient or their personal representative. (See policy AP.04, Patient Access to and Release of Health Information)

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- The authorization shall become a part of the patient's medical record. A copy of the signed authorization must be provided to the individual.
- 2. An individual may revoke an authorization in writing.
  - The revocation does not apply to actions KDHCDKaweah
     Delta has taken in reliance on the authorization.
  - The written revocation shall become a part of the individual's medical record.
- B. KDHCDKaweah Delta may use or disclose an individual's PHI provided that the individual is informed in advance of the use or disclosure and the individual has the opportunity to agree, prohibit, or restrict the use or disclosure. KDHCDKaweah Delta may verbally inform the individual of and obtain the individual's verbal agreement or objection to a use or disclosure permitted by this section.
  - KDHCDKaweah Delta may use the following PHI to maintain a directory of individuals in its facility: (a) the individual's name, (b) the individual's location in KDHCDKaweah Delta's facility, (c) the individual's condition described in general terms that does not communicate specific medical information about the individual, and (d) the individual's religious affiliation.
  - Disclosures for involvement in the patient's care and notification purposes:
    - a) KDHCDKaweah Delta may disclose to a family member, other relative, or a close personal friend of the individual, or any other person identified by the individual, the PHI directly relevant to such person's involvement with the individual's care or payment related to the individual's health care.
    - b) KDHCDKaweah Delta may use or disclose PHI or assist in the notification of (including identifying or locating), a family member, a personal representative of the individual, or another person responsible for the care of the individual of the individual's location, general condition-, or death.
    - c) If the individual is present for, or otherwise available prior to, a use or disclosure permitted as described in a) or b) above, and has the capacity to make health care decisions, KDHCDKaweah Delta may use or disclose the PHI if KDHCDKaweah Delta obtains the individual's agreement, provides the individual with the opportunity to

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object to the disclosure, and the individual does not express an objection; or reasonably infers from the circumstances that the individual does not object to the disclosure.

- d) If the individual is not present, or the opportunity to agree or object to the use or disclosure cannot practicably be provided because of the individual's incapacity or an emergency circumstance, KDHCDKaweah Delta may determine whether the disclosure is in the best interests of the individual and, if so, disclose only the PHI that is directly relevant to the person's involvement with the individual's heath care.
- Expect to a public or private entity available to assist in disaster relief efforts.
- C. In certain situations, KDHCDKaweah Delta shall disclose PHI without an authorization or verbal agreement from the individual.
  - 1. KDHCDKaweah Delta shall disclose PHI to public health authorities or law enforcement agencies to the extent the disclosure is required by law. The disclosure shall be limited to the relevant requirements of such law and will be made in accordance with AP.04 Access and Release of Protected Health Information (PHI); AP.66 Suspected Child and/or Dependent Adult Abuse Reporting; DC.05 Child Abuse/Sexual Abuse Reporting Requirements, AS.03 Suspected Elder/Dependant Adult Abuse Reporting, AS.05 Domestic Violence, AS.02 Suspected Child Abuse Reporting, and the following Emergency Department policies: ED.1004 Deadly Weapons or Criminal Act Injuries Report; ED.#1006 Examination/Testing for the Collection of Evidence; #IP 1.7 Reporting Infection/Communicable Disease, ED.4013 Overdose or Poisoning: Management and Referral; and, Patients Who Present to ED with Complaint of Suspected Sexual Assault Sexual Assault Triage Protocol.

 KDHCDKaweah Delta shall disclose PHI as necessary, and as allowable under state and federal laws, to avert a threat to health or safety.

- KDHCDKaweah Delta shall disclose PHI for specialized government functions including:
  - Disclosure to military command authorities regarding armed forces personnel.

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- Disclosures to authorized federal officials for intelligence and national security activities.
- 4. KDHCDKaweah Delta shall disclose PHI regarding an inmate to a correctional institution or a law enforcement official.
- 5. <u>KDHCDKaweah Delta</u> shall disclose PHI to the extent necessary to comply with laws regarding workers' compensation or other similar programs.
- III. Other requirements regarding the use and disclosure of PHI include:
  - A. KDHCDKaweah Delta may use or disclose health information which has been de-identified by removing the following identifiers:
    - Names
    - Geographic subdivisions smaller than State, i.e. address, city, county, precinct, zip code
    - All elements of dates except year for birth dates & all elements, including year, for all ages over 89
    - Telephone number
    - Fax number
    - E-mail address
    - Social security number
    - Medical record numbers
    - Health plan beneficiary numbers
    - Account numbers
    - Certificate/license numbers
    - Vehicle ID & serial numbers; license plate numbers
    - Device identifiers and serial numbers
    - URLs or Internet Protocol address numbers
    - Biometric identifiers including finger & voice prints
    - Full face photographic images or comparable images
    - Any other unique identifying number, characteristic or code
  - B. KDHCDKaweah Delta shall limit the PHI used and/or disclosed on a routine basis to the minimum amount necessary.
    - 1. Use of PHI shall be limited to only the information needed for an employee or volunteer to do their job.
    - Disclosure of PHI shall be limited to only the information necessary to accomplish the purpose for which the disclosure is made.
    - Unless the circumstances are unreasonable, Kaweah Deltastaff may rely on a request from one of the requestors listed below as establishing the minimum necessary PHI that may be disclosed to:

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a) Public officials that are requesting PHI in accordance—with the requirements of 45 CFR § 164.512 for the performance of public health functions, health oversight functions, law enforcement functions, and specialized government functions, if the public official demonstrates that the information requested is the minimum amount necessary to perform the function.

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. Staff will verify the identity of public officials by:

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a. Looking at the agency identification badge, official credentials or other proof of government status for requests made in person.

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- Noting that the request is on appropriate government letterhead for requests made in writing.
- i. Staff will verify the authority of public officials by:

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 b. Accepting a civil, judicial or administrative warrant, subpoena, order or other legal process.

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b) Another healthcare provider

 A business associate (as established by way of written agreement or contract)

2. A professional that is a member Kaweah Delta staff, or a business associate of Kaweah Delta that is requesting the information to provide professional services to Kaweah Delta, provided that the professional demonstrates that the information requested is the minimum necessary required for the purpose requested.

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A researcher that is requesting PHI for research purposes and that provides an authorization from an individual, a waiver of authorization from an instructional review board (IRB), a data use agreement, assurance regarding use preparatory to research, or an assurance regarding the use of decedents' PHI.

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- C. KDHCDKaweah Delta will sometimes disclose information to a contracted business associate in a limited data set for the purposes of research, public health or health care operations. In these cases, the business associate contract shall be amended to include a data use agreement. The Privacy Officer shall ensure that data use agreements comply with the content requirements of the HIPAA Privacy regulation.
- D. KDHCDKaweah Delta may share demographic information and dates of health care provided to a patient with the KDHCDKaweah Delta Foundation. Any fundraising materials sent out shall include a description of how the individual may opt out of receiving any further fundraising communications.
- E. **Prior** to disclosing patient information, KDHCDKaweah Delta staff shall verify the identity of the person requesting the information **and** the authority of that person to access the information.

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  - Looking at the agency identification badge, official credentials or other proof of government status for requests made in person.
  - Noting that the request is on appropriate government letterhead for requests made in writing.
- 2. Staff will verify the authority of public officials by:
  - Receiving a written statement of legal authority or documenting an oral statement of such authority.
  - Accepting a civil, judicial or administrative warrant, subpoena, order or other legal process.

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Patient Elopement Critical Incident Response - Code Green		

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#### POLICY:

Kaweah Delta Health Care District (KDHCD) is committed to the safety and security of all patients. All physicians and staff are responsible for responding quickly and appropriately in the event of the elopement of a cognitively impaired patient who may be at risk for harm, including patients on a voluntary or involuntary psychiatric hold who leave the hospital without notification of KDHCD staff. Unit personnel will respond immediately when a patient is identified as missing. This policy excludes competent patients leaving against medical advice (AMA).

#### PROCEDURE:

When a cognitively impaired patient, or a patient who is on an voluntary or involuntary psychiatric hold such as a W&I 5150 or 5250, or a medical hold pending a psychiatric evaluation such as a H&S1799.111 is believed to be missing from our facilities, or is observed to leave leaving a facility, the following process will be followed in response to the elopement:

Call "44" to activate the overhead paging and announce a "Code Green", giving exact location to alert all staff a patient is missing or in the process of elopement. Hospital Security and all available staff will respond immediately to the location.

If patient is combative and leaving, the staff member noting the elopement will stay with the patient and alert the next nearest staff member to initiate a "Code Green". The staff member monitoring the patient will take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of the patient, without placing him or herself in harm's way.

The Visalia Police Department will be notified by a "9-911" call, if the patient leaves the facility.

II. The Nurse Manager, (or Charge Nurse/Team Lead) will respond to the code alert and gather the following information:

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- A. Patient name, room number, gender, approximate height and weight, hair color, race, photograph if available, and any other identifying information (e.g. using a wheelchair).
- B. Time patient was last seen and description of what patient was wearing.
- C. If the missing patient had any visitors in the last 24 hours, i.e. who visited the patient and when.
- D. The area the patient left from and what direction they were going.
- E. Notification of the patient's family.
- III. On weekends or when an administrator is not on campus, the nurse in charge of the patient will notify the House Supervisor. If the patient is not located, the House Supervisor will notify the administrator on-call and Risk Management.
- IV. If the elopement was not observed and a patient is found to be missing, all available personnel will search all rooms within the unit and initiate a "Code Green". If the patient is not found, the staff will follow the protocol listed in numbers I and II above.
- V. If staff are unable to find the patient within the building, KDHCD staff will search the immediate grounds outside of KDHCD's buildings and campus.
- VI. If the patient is not found, nursing staff will call the family and notify them of the patient's absence. Patient and Family Services should be notified to assist with calling the family or guardian of the patient.
- VII. If the patient is not found, the Nurse Manager, Charge Nurse or Team Lead will notify the Visalia Police Department with a "9-911" call to initiate an area search.
- VIII. Documentation of the patient's return to the facility will include:
  - A. Time of return.
  - B. Patient's reason for leaving (if known), and where they went while AWOL.
  - C. Assessment of patient, including current vital signs (BP, T, P, R).
  - D. Interventions implemented (i.e.: sitter, TAB monitor).
  - E. Individuals notified of patient's return (Administration, Physician, and Family).
  - F. Completion of an NOE an occurrence Midas Rreport.

#### **PROCEDURE**REFERENCES:

Patient Elopement Critical Incident Response - Code Green

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Animal Assisted Activities / Therapy (AAA/AAT)		

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**PURPOSE:** To govern safe, conscientious, and professional involvement of animals in Animal Assisted Activities/Therapy within Kaweah Delta Health Care District.

POLICY:

The Recreation Therapist and Activity Coordinators located at the West campus will coordinate and supervise the AAA/AAT program assuring that all participants are in compliance. Animal-Assisted Activities (AAA) provide opportunities for motivational, educational, recreational, and/or therapeutic benefits to enhance quality of life. Specially trained professionals, para-professionals, or volunteers in association with animals that meet specific criteria deliver AAA.

Animal-Assisted Therapy (AAT) is a goal-directed intervention in which an animal that meets specific criteria is an integral part of the patient's treatment process. AAT is directed and or delivered by a health or human service professional with specialized expertise and within the scope of practice of his or her profession. AAT is designed to promote improvement in human physical, social, emotional, and/or cognitive functioning. AAT may be group or individual in nature. The process is documented and evaluated.

#### PROCEDURE:

- I. Any employee/authorized volunteer wishing to be involved in AAA/AAT must be registered with an AAA/AAT organization such as the Delta Society, Therapy Dogs International, etc. The AAA/AAT coordinator is available to evaluate for registration. AAA/AAT is currently limited to dogs.
- II. A yearly health/vaccination certificate <u>willmust</u> be kept on file <u>in with</u> the Kaweah Delta Rehabilitation Hospital Recreation Therapist or Activity Coordinatory office.
- III. Handlers will evaluate the animal's health prior to each visit and will not bring an animal whose general well being is compromised or who has external parasites.
- IV. Animals found to have external parasites or who demonstrate illness during a visit will be immediately removed from the premises.
- V. Animals will be effectively controlled by leash (six foot maximum)

- VI. Animals will be bathed/groomed prior to visit.
- VII. Animals are not allowed in areas where medications are prepared or where food is being served.
- VIII. All persons coming in contact with animals shall utilize proper and frequent hand washing. Animals are not to be fed by patients during the visit.
- IX. The rights of patients, visitors, and staff not wishing to have contact with an animal will be respected.
- X. The rights of the animals for access to water, exercise areas, safety and freedom from undue stress will be respected.
- XI. The presence of animals in the hospital shall not lessen the standard of housekeeping or contribute to an objectionable odor.
- XII. Animals are to be toileted prior to visit. If toileting need arises during the visit, outdoor grass areas may be used. It is the responsibility of the handler to properly dispose of waste. Should an "accident" occur, the handler should seek assistance from staff/housekeeping for appropriate clean up.
- XIII. Should an incident occur (scratch, bite, sever adverse or allergic response, etc.) standard hospital injury protocol will be implemented.
- XIV. Incidents will be review by the AAA/T coordinator, rehabilitation director, and handler. The animal may be placed on probation or asked to retire.
- XV. Female animals shall either be spayed or determined not to be in estrus while visiting.
- XVI. Human-animal volunteer teams may have their privilege for participation in the program suspended or revoked if any of the following occur:
  - A. The handler is unable to demonstrate adequate control of an animal.
  - B. The animal's temperament, behavior, or health is not appropriate (either on one visit or consistently over time).
  - C. The handler does not maintain standards of personal appearance for self or the animal.
  - D. Confidentiality is breached.
  - E. Volunteer misses three consecutive visits.

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Foreign Language Forms, Signs, Etc.		

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**POLICY:** To ensure quality of translation, all forms, signs, pamphlets, brochures, etc., produced for display on or distribution by Kaweah Delta Health Care District, in a language other than English, will be coordinated through the Marketing and Interpreter Services Departments. to provide proper content and structure meeting District standards.

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Interpreter Services		

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#### **PURPOSE:**

- A. To define the communication system that is used for patients who are Limited English Proficient (LEP) or who are deaf or hard of hearing (hearing impaired). Such a system will include appropriate "auxiliary aids" and/or language interpretation services to ensure effective communication between patients and staff during critical health services or treatment situations.
- B. To provide guidelines for coordinating timely response to meeting the assessed special language needs of individual patients, their designated representative, guardian or next of kin.
- C. To comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Health and Safety Code of California
- <u>Health and Safety Code of California</u> requires licensed general acute care hospitals to provide language assistance services to patients with language or communication barriers.
- <u>Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964</u> requires federal fund recipients to ensure the eligible Limited English Proficiency (LEP) persons have "meaningful access" to health services.
- <u>ADA Title II</u> requires that public accommodations provide "auxiliary" aids when necessary to enable a person with disabilities to benefit from their services.
- **POLICY:** It is the policy of Kaweah Delta Health Care District (KDHCD) to provide, to the extent possible, the use of qualified interpreters or assistive devices whenever a language or communication barrier exists. For patients that are minors or incapacitated, the preferred language of the patient's parent(s) guardian, or surrogate decision-maker will also be determined. The Bill of Rights for People with Limited English Skills will be provided orally or in a written format. The patient will be informed of the availability of free interpretive interpreter services. If the patient still

chooses to use a family member or friend who volunteers to interpret, then a Waiver of Interpreter Services will be initiated and entered into the patient filemedical record.

A. KDHCD recognizes that individuals and Health Care Providers must be able to communicate effectively. When language barriers exist between providers and patients, the quality of information is diminished and the outcome of the patient encounter may be unsatisfactory. This may lead to decreased patient compliance and increased potential for medical errors and misdiagnosis.

In emergency situations, treatment will be provided in accordance with standard medical practice. Interpreters will be sought promptly; but treatment will not be delayed pending the arrival of an interpreter.

- B. It is the policy of KDHCD to provide equal access to and equal participation in healthcare activities for persons who are visually impaired, deaf or hard-of-hearing as well as for persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP). KDHCD provides communication aids and services at no cost to the patient during their course of care. It is the policy of KDHCD to use qualified interpreters (certified, certificated or trained-or certificated) during critical health services or treatment situations. Qualified Sign Language interpreters are also available.
- C. Effective communication is important in every area of hospital communication, but KDHCD prioritizes the most careful attention to effective communication in the provision of medical, nursing and ancillary services, where patient safety, medical error, and ability to understand treatment options are affected. The following types of encounters and procedures which are performed by providers who do not speak the primary language spoken by the patient/surrogate decision-maker, and which require the use of healthcare interpreter services, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Providing clinic and emergency medical services;
  - b. Obtaining medical histories;
  - c. Explaining any diagnosis and plan for medical treatment;
  - d. Discussing any mental health issues or concerns;
  - e. Explaining any change in regimen or condition;
  - f. Explaining any medical procedures, tests or surgical interventions;
  - g. Explaining patient rights and responsibilities;
  - h. Explaining the use of seclusion or restraints;
  - i. Obtaining informed consent;
  - j. Providing medication instructions and explanation of potential side effects:
  - k. Explaining discharge plans;
  - Discussing issues at patient and family care conferences and/or health education sessions:

- m.Discussing Advanced Directives;
- n. Discussing end of life decisions; and,
- o. Obtaining financial and insurance information.
- D. Interpreter Services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and are free of charge to the patient. Interpreter Services can be made available in a variety of ways, depending on the specific needs of the patient. (See "Procedure" for additional information.)
- E. All employees shall be instructed about interpretation services during their orientation program and on an ongoing basis as appropriate.
- F. The patient's preferred language is to be noted in the patient's medical record and plan of care. This will be determined by asking, "In what language do you prefer to discuss your health care?" This is regardless of whether the patient speaks English fluently or uses another language to communicate.
- G. The policy of KDHCD shall be to provide all patients and surrogate decision-makers requiring language assistance with medical care information in their preferred language. LEP patients/surrogate decision-makers shall be advised of their right to have interpreter services provided within a reasonable time, at no charge to them.
- H. A patient is not required or expected to use friends or family members as interpreters because the use of such individuals may result in breach of confidentiality and reluctance from the patient to reveal personal information critical to the services to be provided. Should an LEP patient/patient representative insist upon the use of a friend or family member to be her/his interpreter, KDHCD needs to first ensure that the patient understands that interpreter services are legally guaranteed and free of charge. The Office of Civil Rights (OCR) Policy Guidance states that the hospital may proceed, provided that the use of such a person does not compromise the effectiveness or confidentiality of the patient, and provided that the offer and the patient's wishes are documented in the patient's file. KDHCD personnel shall ensure that the patient signs the "Waiver of Interpreter Services" showing they have refused a hospital-provided interpreter (see attached form).
- Patient/families are to be made aware of the bilingual resources available in the following ways:
  - a. Signage/postings
    - Multilingual notices are to be placed in conspicuous locations informing patients of available bilingual services and how to access them. These notices shall also contain the telephone number where patients can file complaints about interpretation services.

Each notice shall also include a TTY number for the hearing impaired. (See attached notices in English/Spanish.)

ii. Notices shall be posted in conspicuous areas around the facility including, but not limited to, the emergency room and major entrances, admitting areas and lobbies.

- iii. Educational and vital documents and materials shall also be translated to Spanish and be made available to Spanish only speaking patients, as this population comprises at least 5% of KDHCD patient population.
- J. It will be the policy of KDHCD to translate and make available all Vital Documents in Threshold Languages. The translation of other hospital written materials in Frequently Encountered or other languages shall be at the discretion of the issuing staff. Vital Documents that are not produced in a written translation shall be verbally translated to the patient or surrogate decision-maker. The provision of oral translation of all Vital Documents to patients shall be documented and documentation shall become a part of the medical record.
  - a. Prior to the assignment of work to a translator, the Interpreter Services Department will provide a Materials Review process for all materials that are to be translated into Spanish to ensure:
    - i. Appropriate reading level for the target population;
    - ii. Plain language will be used. The language is simple and clear;
    - iii. Messages and illustrations are culturally appropriate;
    - iv. Document prints clearly in black and white if it will be posted on the internet for public download
  - b. The KDHCD Interpreter Services Department will translate all Spanish translations, unless they are unable to meet indicated timelines. All requests for translations in any language will be routed through the Interpreter Services Department. Approved agencies may be used by the Interpreter Services Department to provide translation of patient information or education.
  - c. The Interpreter Services Department will review all translations returned by approved translation agencies before translations are returned to the department for duplication and/or distribution.
  - d. The Interpreter Services Department will assist the Marketing Department with the Spanish translation of forms, signs, pamphlets, etc. for display or distribution by KDHCD. (See Policy #: AP.18)

#### **PROCEDURE**

- I. Notification of Interpreter Services
  - a. Notices in the form of Language ID Posters and Language Easels are posted in the main hallway of each facility, Emergency Dept. and outpatient areas advising patients and their families about the availability of free interpretation services, a list of available languages, and how to access an interpreter.
- II. Patient Identification
  - a. The first access point in which a patient acquires services

(emergency room registration, admissions, etc.) shall incorporate the determination of language needs into intake procedure.

- i. Do you speak a language other than English at home?
- ii. In what language do you prefer to receive your medical services?
- b. If the patient does not understand, use the Language Determination Cards/Posters to help patients identify their language.
- c. If the patient is unable to use the Language Determination Card, and hospital staff cannot determine the appropriate language, dial 8989 for assistance with the identification of their language.
- d. Note the patient's preferred language in the Patient's medical record, on their face sheet and the Assessment Data Base Record.

#### III. Inform Patients of their Right to Have Interpreter Services

- a. If the patient speaks a language other than English at home, the statement informing patients of their rights to interpreter services will also be provided to patients in written form in their primary language.
- b. This statement will be translated into all Threshold Languages.

#### IV. Patient Wristbands

- a. The wristband is light blue with the message: i. DIAL EXT. 8989 FOR INTERPRETER...
- b. In order to ensure that the preferred communication preferences follow the patient from department/facility to department/facility, a light blue wristband will be placed on the patient's wrist (dominant arm) and secured in order to identify and visually communicate to all staff that the patient has requested interpreter service be provided during his/her stay.
- c. If the patient's condition prohibits the application of the wristband to the wrist, then the ankle may be used.
- d. This procedure is applicable to all staff that initially register/admit the patient, as well as staff who provide patient care.

#### V. The Health Care Interpreter Network (HCIN)

- a. Simply dial 8989.
- b. Available 24 hours a day to assist with video and phone Interpretation via any KDHCD telephone, mobile phone or video phone.
- e. Procedures are outlined on KDCentral under Department/Interpreter Services/Health Care Interpreter Network.
- d.c. If you are asked for your Access Code Client ID, it is 841263.

#### VI. Requesting an Interpreter

- Staff must utilize the appropriate interpreter for explanations of tests/procedures, surgery, to obtain informed consent, and to give critical instructions.
- b. If the staff person determines that an "in person" interpreter is required, he/she may contact the Interpreter Services Department

- at Ext. 2501, 5981, 5902);
- A Language Resource Assistant (LRA) may also be called and is listed under KDNet/Directories/Interpreter Directory.
- d. Necessary emergency care will not be withheld pending the arrival of interpreter services.
- e. All necessary contact numbers and access codes client IDs for the direct contact of contracted interpreter services shall be available to Emergency Room staff and in KDCentral.

#### VII. Hearing Impaired Patients

- a. American Sign Language Services are available by using the HCIN video phones located throughout the hospital and outlying facilities.
- b. Call the Interpreter Services Department at Ext. 5981, 5902, or 2501 for assistance.
- TTY Machines are available through PBX or the Information Desk as well as facilities throughout the District. Please follow the operating instructions.
  - Plug the AC adapter into the nearest electrical outlet, connect to phone line and turn the power on.
  - ii. Pick up the headset of the telephone and dial 1-800-735-2929 or 9-711.
  - iii. Place the headset onto the TTY machine
  - iv. Patient may begin using the keyboard.

#### VIII. Documentation:

- The Staff person utilizing the qualified provider of healthcare interpreting or device will document the encounter in the patient's medical record.
  - 1. Method (Face-to-face, Telephone, Video)
  - 2. Date and time
- b. Documentation will be maintained in the Interpreter Services Department for:
- All interpretation encounters performed by KDHCD Interpreter Services Staff.
- ii. All services provided by contracted language interpretation services, including telephonic and videophone services.

#### IX. Waiver of Interpreter Services

- a. If after a patient has been informed of their right to receive free interpreter services, the patient insists upon the use of a friend of family member, then the Waiver of Interpreter Services will be completed and signed by the patient.
- X. Qualified Providers of Healthcare Interpreting
  - a. Certified Medical Interpreters:

i. These English/Spanish speaking interpreters are obtained from the KDHCD Interpreter Services Department. These interpreters have achieved either a CHI credential from the Certification Commission for Healthcare Interpreters or a CMI credential from the National Board of Certification for Medical Interpreters.

a.b. Certificated Medical Interpreters:

- i. These English/Spanish speaking interpreters are obtained from the KDHCD Interpreter Services Department and have been trained as interpreters.
- b.c. Language Resource Assistants:
  - A list of staff is available on the KDNet service system under Directories/ Interpreter Directory.
  - These bilingual staff members have indicated a willingness to interpret and have been tested and qualified for their ability to do so at the general or clinical/advanced level. (See Policy # HR.17).
  - iii. Currently, only English/Spanish and English/Lahu bilingual staff is listed. They are classified at the general or clinical level. (See Policy # HR.17).
- c. Contracted Interpreter Services

#### XI. VIDATAK EZ Board

- a. Available through the Interpreter Services Department as well as Patient Family Services and House Supervisor.
- b. Initially designed for mechanically ventilated patients, they also work well for patients who display communication barriers but read in their own language and need to communicate basic needs and pain levels to their care providers from their bedside.
- c. They are available in English and pictures as well as:

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#### **Definition of Terms**

#### Non-English or Limited English Proficiency (LEP)

Those individuals whose native language is other than English and who cannot speak, read, write, or understand the English language at a level that permits them to interact effectively with healthcare providers.

#### Communication Barrier

Applies to a person who is deaf/hearing impaired, intubated or has neurological deficits or speaks another language hindering communication.

#### **Deaf**

This term is generally used to describe individuals with a severe to profound hearing loss, with little or no residual hearing. Some deaf people use sign language, such as America Sign Language (ASL) or Langue des Signes Quebecoise (LSQ) to communicate using their residual hearing and hearing aids, technical devices or cochlear implants, and/or speech reading.

#### Hard of Hearing "person with hearing loss", Hearing Impaired

This term is generally used to describe individuals who use spoken language (their residual hearing and speech) to communicate. Most hard of hearing people can understand some speech sounds with or without hearing aids and often supplement their residual hearing with speech reading, hearing aids and technical devices.

#### Qualified Sign Language (ASL – American Sign Language) Interpreter:

A person who is fluent in sign language and is trained and proficient in the skill and ethics of interpreting and who is knowledgeable about the specialized terms and concepts that need to be interpreted for purposes of ensuring effective communication.

#### Healthcare Interpreter

One who has been trained in healthcare interpreting, adheres to the professional code of ethics and protocols of healthcare interpreters, is knowledgeable about medical terminology, and can accurately and completely render communication from one language to another.

Bilingual staff may provide patient instructions only if they had their competency tested and qualified to do so.

#### Translator

One who converts written text into a written text in a second language corresponding to and equivalent in meaning to the text in the first language.

#### Language Resource Assistant (LRA)

Kaweah Delta Health Care District staff member who is bilingual and who is willing to provide language interpretation. This person's language competency has been

tested and is classified as general or clinical/advanced. They are identified by either an Orange LRA pin for General or a Dark Blue LRA pin for Clinical/Advanced that must be worn on their badge. Based on the designated level of language competency, the LRA will receive additional compensation to their current salary:

General - \$ 2.50-00 (fifty centstwo dollars) for each 15 minute increment Clinical/Advanced - \$14.00 (ene dollars) for each 15 minute increment

Compensation will be provided only for actual time of interpretation if such staff member is pulled outside of their line of work or work area. If being bilingual was an initial requirement of the job or staff member interprets within the course of their own work, additional compensation will not be awarded. A log of encounters will be submitted to the Interpreter Services Department on a bi-weekly basis. <u>LRA compensation does not apply to the KDHCD Residency program.</u>

#### **Auxiliary Aids**

Dual handset telephone for foreign language interpretation; qualified interpreters; telephones with volume control, Vidatak boards, patient needs communication cards; exchange of written notes.

#### **Contracted Services**

A designated service that provides 24-hour foreign language interpretation services either in-person or via telephone through which KDHCD has contractual agreements that define expectations and response time.

#### Attachments:

Waiver of Interpreter Services Availability of Interpreter/Para Obtener un Intérprete Available Languages from contracted services

See Administrative Policy AP.18

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at no cost to me or my family.		
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I understand I can withdraw this waiver at any time and required I also understand that this waiver does not give permission for Representative.		
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WAIVER OF INTERPRETER

Signature of Interpreter / Firma del intérprete	Date / Fecha
Signature of Staff Person / Firma del proveedor de servicios	Date / Fecha

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WAIVER OF INTERPRETER

#### Bill of Rights for People with Limited English Skills

Even if you do not speak English well, you have the right:

- To get help from an interpreter who can translate English into your language. This service is free to you and your family;
- > To be treated with courtesy and respect;
- To be treated in a way that is sensitive to your ethnic and cultural needs;
- > To obtain services without facing discrimination, abuse or harassment;
- > To get information about health care services in your language;
- > To be part of the process of assessing your health and putting together a plan for your health services;
- > To be told in your language what could happen if you accept services or refuse them;
- > To raise concerns you have about the services you receive;
- ➤ To be told in your language about how to make a complaint about healthcare providers; To be told in your language about your rights and responsibilities when using services;
- > To be told in your language about laws and policies a health-care provider must follow;
- > To have your health care records kept confidential.

# Declaración de derechos para personas con conocimiento limitado del idioma inglés

Aunque no hable bien el idioma inglés, usted tiene derecho a:

- Recibir ayuda de un intérprete que pueda traducir del inglés a su idioma. Este servicio es gratuito para usted y su familia;
- Ser tratado con cortesía y respeto;
- > Ser tratado de manera sensible a sus necesidades étnicas y culturales;
- > Recibir servicios sin enfrentar discriminación, abuso ni hostigamiento;
- > Recibir información sobre servicios de atención de la salud en su idioma;
- Participar en el proceso de evaluación de su salud y en el desarrollo de un plan para sus servicios de salud;
- Recibir información, en su idioma, sobre lo que podría pasar si usted acepta servicios o los rechaza;

- > Expresar sus preocupaciones sobre los servicios que recibe;
- Recibir información, en su idioma, sobre la forma de presentar quejas sobre proveedores de atención de la salud;
- Recibir información, en su idioma, sobre sus derechos y responsabilidades al utilizar servicios;
- Recibir información, en su idioma, sobre las leyes y normas que deben respetar los proveedores de atención de la salud;
- Que sus registros de atención de la salud se mantengan en privado.

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#### **AVAILABILITY OF INTERPRETERS**

Patients/surrogate decision-makers of Kaweah Delta Health Care District, who are Limited English Proficient (LEP), shall have services provided to them in their primary language or have interpreter services provided to them during the delivery of all significant healthcare services. Interpreter services shall be available within a reasonable time, at no cost to patients.

This establishment subscribes to 24 hour interpretation services provided by:

The Health Care Interpreter Network

To obtain an interpreter for further assistance, please notify: Interpreter Services Department 624-5902 or 624-5981

TTY phones for Deaf & Hearing Impaired patients will be provided when needed or requested. Please contact the Operator. A qualified American Sign Language (ASL) Interpreter may be called by contacting the Interpreter Services Department. Service provided by:

The Health Care Interpreter Network

To file a complaint with the District regarding interpreter services provided, contact the District's Interpreter Services Manager at (559) 624-5902 or the:

Office of Civil Rights
US Department of Health and Human Services
90 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 4-100
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 437-8310: (415) 437-8311 TDD
Fax (415) 437-8329

You will not be penalized for filing a complaint.

#### DISPONIBILIDAD DEL SERVICIO DE INTÉRPRETES

Los pacientes o personas que toman decisiones al estar bajo la atención del Kaweah Delta Health Care District, quienes cuentan con un Dominio Limitado del Inglés (LEP, por sus siglas en Inglés), recibirán servicios en su propio idioma o tendrán los servicios provistos por un intérprete al estar recibiendo atención de salud clínicamente relevante. Los servicios del Departamento de Intérpretes se proporcionarán dentro de un espacio de tiempo razonable, sin costo alguno para el paciente.

Éste centro está suscrito al servicio de interpretación las 24 horas del día, y será provisto por:

**The Health Care Interpreter Network** 

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Para más ayuda y conseguir un intérprete, por favor llame a: Interpreter Services Department 624-5981 ó 624-5902

Los Teléfonos TTY para los pacientes Sordos e Impedidos de la Audición serán provistos cuando se necesiten o se soliciten. Por favor, comuníquese con la Operadora. Un intérprete capacitado en Lenguaje en Señas Americano (ASL, por sus siglas en Inglés) podrá ser llamado al comunicarse con el Interpreter Services Department. Dicho servicio será provistos por:

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Para presentar una queja frente al Distrito respecto a los servicios de interpretación provistos, comuníquese con la Gerencia del Interpreter Services Department al (559) 624-5902 ó a:

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# **Supported Languages and**

### **Dialects by Language**

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Acholi - Uganda, Sudan Afrikaans – South Africa, Namibia Akan – Ghana, Ivory Coast Akateko – Guatemala Albanian – Albania Algerian Arabic – Algeria Amharic – Ethiopia Arabic – Widely Distributed Armenian – Armenia Ashanti (Asante Twi) - Ghana Assyrian – Iraq Azerbaijani – Azerbaijan Azorean Portuguese – Azores Islands Bahnar – Vietnam Bahasa Indonesia (Indonesian) – Indonesia Bambara – Mali Bambara — maii
Belarusan — Belarus
Bengali — Bangladesh, India
Bosnian — Bosnia & Herzegovina
Brazilian Portuguese — Brazil
Bulgarian — Bulgaria
Burmese — Myanmar (former Burma) Cambodian (Khmer) - Cambodia Cantonese - China Cape Verdean (Portuguese Creole) -Cape Verde Catalan – Andorra, Spain Cebuano – Philippines Chaldean – Iraq Chamorro – Guam Chaozhou (Teochew) – China Chin – Myanmar (former Burma) Chinese (var. languages/dialects) – China Chuukese (Trukese) – Micronesia Croatian – Croatia Czech – Czech Republic Danish – Denmark Dari (Afgan Farsi) – Afghanistan Dene – Canada Dewoin – Liberia Dinka – Sudan Duala – Cameroon Dutch – Netherlands Egyptian Arabic – Egypt Estonian – Estonia Ewe – Ghana Fante – Ghana Farsi (Persian) - Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan Fijian – Fiji Filipino (Tagalog) – Philippines Finnish – Finland Flemish – Belgium French - Africa, Canada, France, Tunisia, et al French Creole - Caribbean Fukienese - China Fulani (Fulfulde, Fula) - Cameroon, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal Fuzhou – China Ga - Ghana Gen (Mina) – Togo, Benin

German – Germany Gokana (Khana) – Nigeria Greek – Greece

Gujarati - India

Haka Burmese – Myanmar (former Burma) Hakka – China Hausa – Niger, Nigeria Hebrew – Israel Hindi - India Hmong - China, Vietnam, Laos Hungarian – Hungary Ibo (Igbo) – Nigeria Ilocano – Philippines Indonesian (Bahasa Indonesia) – Indonesia Iraqi Arabic – Iraq Italian – Italy Japanese – Japan Jarai – Vietnam Javanese – Indonesia Jordanian Arabic – Jordan Jordanian Arabic – Jordan Juba Arabic – Sudan Kanjobal (Q'anjob'al) – Guatemala Kannada – India Kapampangan – Philippines Karen (Pa'o, S'gaw) – Myanmar (former Burma) Kayah – Myanmar (former Burma) Khmer (Cambodian) – Cambodia Kinyarwanda – Rwanda Kirundi – Burundi Koho – Vietnam Korean – Korea Kpele – Guinea, Liberia Krahn – Liberia, Ivory Coast Krio – Sierra Leone Kunama – Fritrea Kurdish [Kurmanji, Sorani] – Iraq, Turkey, Kurmanji (Northern Kurdish) – Turkey Kuawaiti Arabic – Kuwait Lao - Laos Latvian – Latvia Lebanese Arabic Lebanon Lingala – Congo, Republic of the Lithuanian – Lithuania Luganda – Uganda Luo – Kenya Maay (Af Maay, Rahanween, Bantu) -Somalia Macedonian – Macedonia Malay – Malaysia Malayalam – India Malinke – Senegal
Mam – Guatemala
Mandarin – China
Mandinka (Mandingo) – Senegal
Marathi – India
Marshallese – Marshall Islands
Marshallese – Marshall Islands Mayan [Akateko, Kanjobal] - Guatemala, Mexico Mien – China, Laos, Thailand Mina (Gen) – Togo, Benin Minangkabau – Indonesia Mixteco Alto – Mexico Mixteco Bajo - Mexico
Mnong - Vietnam
Mongolian - Mongolia
Moroccan Arabic - Morocco Nahuatl - Mexico Navajo – U.S.A.(Southwest)

Nepalese - Nepal, India Nuer – Sudan Oromo – Ethiopia Oromo — Euriopia Palestinian Arabic — Israel, Jordan Pangasinan — Philippines Papiamento — Netherlands Antilles Pashto (Pushto) — Pakistan, Afghanistan Persian (Farsi) — Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan Pakistan Pakistan
Polish – Poland
Portuguese – Portugal, Brazil, et al.
Portuguese Creole (Cape Verdean) –
Cape Verde Pulaar – Senegal Punjabi (Panjabi) – Pakistan, India Quechua – Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru Quiche (K'iche) – Guatemala Rade – Vietnam Rade – Vietnam Romanian – Romania Russian – Russia Samoan – Samoa San Miguel – Mexico Santa Eulalia – Guatemala Saraiki – Pakistan, India Serbian – Serbia, Montenegro Serbo-Croatian – Balkans Shanghainese – China Sichuan (Szechuan) – China Sinhalese – Sri Lanka Slovak – Slovakia Somali – Somalia Soninke (Serahule) – Mali Sorani (Central Kurdish) – Iraq Spanish - Spain, Latin America, et al. Sudanese Arabic – Sudan Susu – Guinea Swahili – Kenya, Somalia, Tanzania, et al. Swedish – Sweden Syrian Arabic – Syria Tagalog (Filippino) – Philippines Tai Dam – Vietnam Taiwanese – Taiwan Tamil – India Telugu – India Teochew (Chaozhou) – China Thai – Thailand
Tibetan – China
Tigrigna (Tigrinya) – Ethiopia, Eritrea
Toishanese – China
Tongan – Tonga
Trukese (Chuukese) – Micronesia Tunisian Arabic – Tunisia Turkish – Turkey Twi – Ghana Tzotzil – Mexico Ukrainian – Ukraine Urdu – Pakistan, India Vietnamese – Vietnam Wolof – Senegal Xhosa – South Africa Yemeni Arabic – Yemen Yiddish – Israel Yoruba – Nigeria Yup'ik – U.S.A (Alaska) Zulu – South Africa Zarma - Niger

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Afghani	Croatian	Hmong	Maltese	Shona
Afrikaans	Czech	Hokkien	Mandarin	Sicilian
Akan	Danish	Huizhou	Mandingo	Sindhi
Albanian	Dari	Hungarian	Marathi	Sinhala
Amharic	Dene	Icelandic	Mien	Slovakian
Arabic	Dinka	lgbo/lbo	Micif	Slovenian
Aramaic	Dogrib	Ilocano	Min Nan	Somali
Armenian	Dutch	Indonesian	Moldavian	South Slavey
Assyrian	Eritrean	Inuinaktun	Mongolian	Spanish
Azarbajiani	Estonian	Inuktitut	Ndebele	Susu
Azari/Azeri	Fante	Italian	Nepali	Swahili
Belorussian	Farsi	Japanese	North Slavey	Swedish
Bengali	Fijian	Kakwa	Norwegian	Tagalog
Berber	Finnish	Karen	Nuer	Taiwanese
Bosnian	Flemish	Khmer/Cambodian	Nyanja	Tamil
Bulgarian	Formosan	Kinyarwanda	Nzema	Telegu
Burmese	French	Kirundi	Ojibway	Thai
Cantonese	French-Canadian	Kiswahili	Ojicree	Tibetan
Cebuano	Frisian	Korean	Oromo	Tigrinya
Chaldean	Fuchownese	Kurdish	Polish	Toisan
Chao Chow	Fur	Kutchi	Portuguese	Tongan
Chilcotin	Ga	Lao	Punjabi	Turkish
Chipewyan	German	Latin	Pushto	Turkmen
Cree	Greek	Lingala	Romanian	Twi/Asante
Cree-James Bay	Gujarati	Lithuanian	Russian	Ukrainian
Cree-Plains	Gwichin	Low German	Salish	Urdu
Cree-Swampy Cree	Hakka	Lugbara	Sanskrit	Uyghur
Cree-Swampy	Hausa	Ma Di	Saulteaux	Veneto
Cree-Woodlands	Harari	Macedonian	Serbian	Vietnamese
Creole	Hebrew	Malay	Serbo-Croatian	Yiddish
Creole-Haitian	Hindi	Malayalam	Shanghainese	Zulu

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Bioethics Committee		

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#### Purpose:

In recognition of the complexity of modern medical practice and the multiple ethical issues which may arise in the provision of patient care, Kaweah Delta Medical Center will establish and maintain a Bioethics Committee to assist patients, families, hospital and medical staff in effectively addressing bioethical issues.

#### Policy:

The Bioethics Committee (hereinafter referred to as "the committee") shall exist as a committee of the Medical Staff and fulfill the following functions:

- 1. Provide education for patients, families, hospital and medical staff regarding relevant bioethics issues.
- 2. Provide the institution assistance with the analysis and development of policies and procedures regarding bioethics issues.
- 3. Provide Bioethics Consultation Services to assist patients, families, hospital and medical staff in addressing bioethics issues arising in the provision of patient care. This is an advisory function, only.

#### **Procedure:**

- I. <u>Education</u>: In cooperation with the hospital/medical staff, the committee will assist in identifying educational needs and develop (or assist others in the development of) appropriate educational resources to meet these needs. These resources can include presentations, CME courses, etc. The goal will be to provide participants with language, concepts and a body of knowledge to assist in addressing complex ethical issues arising in hospital practice.
  - 1. Identified educational needs will be reviewed at the next available committee meeting or by the Chair or Vice Chair between meetings if the need is urgent.
  - 2. Committee members will establish contact with a point person for the educational need and will work with this individual to develop a plan for addressing the need.
  - 3. A summary of educational service provided will be reviewed at next available meeting of the committee.

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4. Materials used in the educational service will be archived in the <u>Bioethics</u> <u>Committee Chair and/or Vice Chair Medical Staff</u> Office for possible use in future educational services.

- 5. Committee member providing educational service will obtain feedback from the "customer" regarding effectiveness of service provided and include this is summary presentation to the committee
- II. <u>Policy Review & Development:</u> The committee will assist the institution and it's professional staff in the analysis of current policies and the development of new policies and procedures regarding bioethical issues.
  - Hospital and Medical staff members who identify possible need for policy review/development will contact the Bioethics Committee Chair or Vice Chair Medical Staff Office to request placement of policy on committee meeting agenda. Chair or Vice Chair will provide immediate review and consult with appropriate hospital/medical staff h the Chief Medical Officer and/or Risk Manager as appropriate, if the need is urgent.
  - Policy/procedure will be reviewed at committee meeting and committee member will be assigned to assist staff in further analysis and review as needed.
  - 3. Results of analysis and review and committee recommendations will be discussed and documented in the minutes of the next committee meeting.
- III. <u>Bioethics Consultation Service</u>: The committee will provide both informal and formal consultation services at the request of medical staff, hospital staff, patients, family members and/or surrogate decision makers which arise in the course of patient care provision.
  - 1. Requests for bioethics consultation will be submitted by contacting the <u>Bioethics Committee Chair or Vice Chair Medical Staff Office</u> and will be responded to within 24 hours or by the next business day.
  - 2. Depending on the issue, a committee member will be identified as "Team Lead" who will provide initial review and will consult with committee chair to determine appropriate level of consultation.
  - 3. If Informal Consultation services are indicated:
    - a. Team Lead facilitates contact between requestor and appropriate committee member.
    - b. Committee member provides consultation services and provides a summary of same at next scheduled committee meeting.
  - 4. If Formal Consultation Services are indicated:
    - a. Team Lead will obtain the following information: Review of Medical Record noting patient's diagnosis/prognosis/treatment plan; formulate bioethical issues/questions; establish decision makers (i.e., patient, family, surrogate).

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b. Team Lead will consult with Chair to establish plan for physician contact and consultation process/structure.

- c. Team Lead will contact all appropriate parties and schedule Bioethics Consultation meeting (s) as appropriate.
- d. Team Lead will ensure that all parties are advised of recommendations provided through the consultation process and that these recommendations are documented.
- e. If, following Formal Consultation, the bioethics issues remain unresolved, Bioethics Chair will consult with <a href="mailto:appropriate">appropriate</a> <a href="mailto:hospital/medical staff">hospital/medical staff</a> <a href="mailto:Chief of Staff or designee">Chief of Staff or designee</a> <a href="mailto:to">to</a> determine appropriate plan of action.
- f. Summary of Formal Consultation will be provided by Team Lead at next committee meeting.
- IV. <u>Appointment and Membership</u>: The committee shall be a multidisciplinary body including representatives from the following disciplines: medical staff, nursing, social work, pastoral care, risk management, board members and community members.
  - 1. New members will be recommended by the committee and appointed by the Bioethics Committee Chair or Vice Chair. Chief of Staff.
  - 2. The Chair of the committee will be appointed by the Chief of Staff.
  - 3. The Vice Chair of the committee will be chosen by the membership of the committee.
  - 4. Membership shall be for a period of two (2) years with staggered terms to assure continuity. Committee Members can serve beyond the 2 year period by mutual agreement of the Chair/Vice Chair and the committee member.
  - 5. Each hospital (employee) member will designate a temporary replacement who will attend meetings in the event that a committee member is unable to fulfill committee responsibility.
- V. <u>Meetings</u>: The Bioethics Committee shall meet <u>quarterly bimonthly</u>, with additional meets scheduled as appropriate to address urgent matters.
  - 1. Meeting agenda will be developed by the Chair and distributed one week prior to the meeting.
  - 2. For business purposes, two members shall constitute a quorum.
  - 3. Actions of the committee will be taken by the vote of a majority of the members attending the meeting.
  - 4. Each member will be required to attend at least three (3) of the committee's regularly scheduled meetings each year. Failure to do so will be considered voluntary resignation and the vacancy will be filled by appointment of a new member.

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VI. Record Keeping: The committee will maintain minutes of all meetings which will include summaries of all case reviews and recommendations.

- 1. Minutes will be submitted to the Chair for approval by the committee.
- 2. Minutes will not include identifying information about specific patient, family members, individual requesting consultation or professional staff participating in the case review process.
- 3. Records of the committee meetings and functions will be maintained in accordance with Medical Staff Bylaws and applicable laws governing the confidentiality of records and medical review committees.
- 4. When appropriate, actions and recommendations of the committee will be documented in the patient record.
- VII. <u>Liability</u>: Kaweah Delta Medical Center will provide liability protection for the committee members who do not have such protection by virtue of their status as members of the professional staff.
- VIII. <u>Adoption and Approval of Policies and Procedures</u>: Policies and procedures of the committee will be reviewed as appropriate by the membership of the committee.
  - 1. Proposed modifications of approved policies and procedures will be submitted to the committee in writing at least four (4) weeks in advance of a regularly scheduled meeting.
  - 2. Following recommendation by the committee, policies/procedures will be forwarded to the appropriate committee for subsequent action.

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Accommodating Persons with Service Animals Use of Guide Dogs		

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#### POLICY:

Many people with disabilities use a service animal in order to fully participate in everyday life. Kaweah Delta Health Care District ("Kaweah Delta"), in conformance with Federal and State Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements, will allow any visitor or patient the use of service animalsquide dogs as auxiliary aids. The ADA definition of service animals is any "dog individually trained to do work or perform tasks directly related to the partner's disability, including, but not an limited to, guiding individuals with impaired vision, alerting individuals who are hearing impaired to intruders or sounds, providing non-violent protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair, fetching dropped items, assisting an indivudal individual during a seizure, alerting individuals to the presence of allergens, or helping persons with psychiatric and neurological disabilities by preventing or interrupting impulsice or destructive behaviors." If an animal meets this definition, it is consideration a service animal regardless of whether it has been licensed or certified by a state or local government or a training program.

The <u>service animalsdogs</u> may be used in all situations except where it can clearly be shown that the presence or use of the animal would pose a significant health risk; in sterile areas such as the operating room, and newborn nursery; in the intensive care unit; or where the <u>animal'sdog's</u> behavior is disruptive to the environment.

#### PROCEDURE:

Visitors - Unless specifically excluded above, visitors shall be allowed the use of a <u>service animalguide dog</u> in accordance with the <u>District Kaweah Delta's</u> <u>visitation visiting policy</u>. For clarifications or questions, contact the House Supervisor for determination.

#### II. Patients

- A. Outpatient Settings Service Animals Guide dogs will be allowed in the outpatient setting.
- B. Inpatient Settings When a patient who is dependent upon a <u>service</u> animalguide dog is hospitalized on bed rest and unable to care for

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him/herself the service animal, , the dog will not be permitted to remain at the District facility, the patient can make arrangements for a family member or friend to come to the hospital to provide these services or to keep the dog during the hospitalization.

When the hospitalized patient is <u>able to ambulate ambulatory</u> or may benefit clinically from having the <u>service animalguide dog</u> present, the <u>animalguide</u> will be permitted to remain with the patient. The patient, family member, and/or designee will be responsible for grooming, feeding, and toileting the <u>service animalguide</u>.

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Patient Privacy Use and Disclosure of Patient Information		

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Purpose PURPOSE: This policy outlines how KDHCD-Kaweah Delta Health

Care District (Kaweah Delta) complies with the patient privacy requirements and the use and disclosure of Protected Health

Information (patient information PHI) in accordance with the Federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act and the requirements of State of California privacy-related laws and regulations.

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#### **DEFINITIONS:**

"Limited Data Set" is protected health information that excludes directidentifiers of patients, including: (a) names, (b) address information, other than town or city, State, and zip code (5-number zip code), (c) telephone numbers, (d) fax numbers, (e) electronic mail addresses, (f) social security numbers, (g) medical record numbers, (h) health plan beneficiary numbers, (i) account numbers, (j) certificate/license numbers, (k) vehicle identifiers and serial numbers, including license plate numbers, (l) device identifiers and serial numbers, (m) web universal resource locators (URLs), (n) Internet Protocol (IP) address numbers, (o) biometric identifiers, including finger and voice prints; and (p) full face photographic images and any comparable images; and (q) any other unique identifying number, characteristic or code.

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4. "Organized Health Care Arrangement" means a clinically integrated caresetting in which individuals typically receive health care from more than one health care provider or an organized system of health care where more than one covered entity participates and where the participating covered entities and the providers hold themselves out to the public as participating in a joint arrangement. For KDHCDKaweah Delta, the District, including all of its

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facilities and services, credentialed medical staff, and allied health professionals, is in an organized health care arrangement.

<u>"Protected Health Information (PHI)" Individually identifiable health information that is transmitted by electronic media, maintained in electronic media, or transmitted or maintained in any other form or medium. May also be referred to as electronic protected health information (ePHI).</u>

<del>-or</del>

meansA any information in any form or medium that is created or received by Kaweah Delta that relates to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual; the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual. (See AP.53 Patients' Rights and Responsibilities for a more comprehensive definition)

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Information (i) that is created or received by a health care provider, health plan, public health authority, employer, life insurer, school or university, or health care clearinghouse about a patient and (ii) including demographic information that may identify a patient that relates to the patient's past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition, related health care services, or payment for health care services.

"Protected Health Information" ("PHI") means individually identifiable health and demographic information created by KDHCDKaweah Delta and relating to the physical or mental health or the provision of care to an individual which identifies the individual; or with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual. It includes verbal, written or electronically maintained information.

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H. KDHCDKaweah Delta may use or disclose PHI for treatment of patients, request payment for services, and for health care operations activities. KDHCDKaweah Delta discloses PHI to other health care providers and/or business associates for these same activities to ensure continuity of care.

II. Disclosures of PHI -

A. For disclosures of PHI except as permitted or required by this policy, KDHCDKaweah Delta shall obtain a valid authorization from the patient or their personal representative. (See policy AP.04, Patient Access to and Release of Health Information)

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- The authorization shall become a part of the patient's medical record. A copy of the signed authorization must be provided to the individual.
- 2. An individual may revoke an authorization in writing.
  - The revocation does not apply to actions KDHCDKaweah Delta has taken in reliance on the authorization.
  - b) The written revocation shall become a part of the individual's medical record.
- B. KDHCDKaweah Delta may use or disclose an individual's PHI provided that the individual is informed in advance of the use or disclosure and the individual has the opportunity to agree, prohibit, or restrict the use or disclosure. KDHCDKaweah Delta may verbally inform the individual of and obtain the individual's verbal agreement or objection to a use or disclosure permitted by this section.
  - KDHCDKaweah Delta may use the following PHI to maintain a directory of individuals in its facility: (a) the individual's name, (b) the individual's location in KDHCDKaweah Delta's facility, (c) the individual's condition described in general terms that does not communicate specific medical information about the individual, and (d) the individual's religious affiliation.
  - Disclosures for involvement in the patient's care and notification purposes:
    - a) KDHCDKaweah Delta may disclose to a family member, other relative, or a close personal friend of the individual, or any other person identified by the individual, the PHI directly relevant to such person's involvement with the individual's care or payment related to the individual's health care.
    - b) KDHCDKaweah Delta may use or disclose PHI or assist in the notification of (including identifying or locating), a family member, a personal representative of the individual, or another person responsible for the care of the individual of the individual's location, general condition-, or death.
    - c) If the individual is present for, or otherwise available prior to, a use or disclosure permitted as described in a) or b) above, and has the capacity to make health care decisions, KDHCDKaweah Delta may use or disclose the PHI if KDHCDKaweah Delta obtains the individual's agreement, provides the individual with the opportunity to

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object to the disclosure, and the individual does not express an objection; or reasonably infers from the circumstances that the individual does not object to the disclosure.

- d) If the individual is not present, or the opportunity to agree or object to the use or disclosure cannot practicably be provided because of the individual's incapacity or an emergency circumstance, KDHCDKaweah Delta may determine whether the disclosure is in the best interests of the individual and, if so, disclose only the PHI that is directly relevant to the person's involvement with the individual's heath care.
- e) <u>KDHCDKaweah Delta</u> may disclose PHI to a public or private entity available to assist in disaster relief efforts.
- C. In certain situations, KDHCDKaweah Delta shall disclose PHI without an authorization or verbal agreement from the individual.
  - 1. KDHCDKaweah Delta shall disclose PHI to public health authorities or law enforcement agencies to the extent the disclosure is required by law. The disclosure shall be limited to the relevant requirements of such law and will be made in accordance with AP.04 Access and Release of Protected Health Information (PHI); AP.66 Suspected Child and/or Dependent Adult Abuse Reporting; DC.05 Child Abuse/Sexual Abuse Reporting Requirements, AS.03 Suspected Elder/Dependant Adult Abuse Reporting, AS.05 Domestic Violence, AS.02 Suspected Child Abuse Reporting, and the following Emergency Department policies: ED.1004 Deadly Weapons or Criminal Act Injuries Report; ED.#1006 Examination/Testing for the Collection of Evidence; #IP 1.7 Reporting Infection/Communicable Disease, ED.4013 Overdose or Poisoning: Management and Referral; and, Patients Who Present to ED with Complaint of Suspected Sexual Assault Sexual Assault Triage Protocol.

 KDHCDKaweah Delta shall disclose PHI as necessary, and as allowable under state and federal laws, to avert a threat to health or safety.

- KDHCDKaweah Delta shall disclose PHI for specialized government functions including:
  - Disclosure to military command authorities regarding armed forces personnel.

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- b) Disclosures to authorized federal officials for intelligence and national security activities.
- 4. KDHCDKaweah Delta shall disclose PHI regarding an inmate to a correctional institution or a law enforcement official.
- 5. <u>KDHCDKaweah Delta</u> shall disclose PHI to the extent necessary to comply with laws regarding workers' compensation or other similar programs.
- III. Other requirements regarding the use and disclosure of PHI include:
  - A. KDHCDKaweah Delta may use or disclose health information which has been de-identified by removing the following identifiers:

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- Geographic subdivisions smaller than State, i.e. address, city, county, precinct, zip code
- All elements of dates except year for birth dates & all elements, including year, for all ages over 89
- Telephone number
- Fax number
- E-mail address
- Social security number
- Medical record numbers
- Health plan beneficiary numbers
- Account numbers
- Certificate/license numbers
- Vehicle ID & serial numbers; license plate numbers
- Device identifiers and serial numbers
- URLs or Internet Protocol address numbers
- Biometric identifiers including finger & voice prints
- Full face photographic images or comparable images
- Any other unique identifying number, characteristic or code
- B. KDHCDKaweah Delta shall limit the PHI used and/or disclosed on a routine basis to the minimum amount necessary.
  - 1. Use of PHI shall be limited to only the information needed for an employee or volunteer to do their job.
  - Disclosure of PHI shall be limited to only the information necessary to accomplish the purpose for which the disclosure is made.
  - Unless the circumstances are unreasonable, Kaweah Deltastaff may rely on a request from one of the requestors listed below as establishing the minimum necessary PHI that may be disclosed to:

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a) Public officials that are requesting PHI in accordance with the requirements of 45 CFR § 164.512 for the performance of public health functions, health oversight functions, law enforcement functions, and specialized government functions, if the public official demonstrates that the information requested is the minimum amount necessary to perform the function.

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Staff will verify the identity of public officials by:

a. Looking at the agency identification badge, official credentials or other proof of government status for requests made in person.

b. Noting that the request is on appropriate government letterhead for requests made in writing.

ii. Staff will verify the authority of public officials by:

- Receiving a written statement of legalauthority or documenting an oral statement of such authority.
- <u>b. Accepting a civil, judicial or administrative</u>
   <u>warrant, subpoena, order or other legal</u>
   process.
- b) Another healthcare provider
- A business associate (as established by way of written agreement or contract)
- 2. A professional that is a member Kaweah Delta staff, or a business associate of Kaweah Delta that is requesting the information to provide professional services to Kaweah Delta, provided that the professional demonstrates that the information requested is the minimum necessary required for the purpose requested.

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A researcher that is requesting PHI for research purposes and that provides an authorization from an individual, a waiver of authorization from an instructional review board (IRB), a data use agreement, assurance regarding use preparatory to research, or an assurance regarding the use of decedents' PHI.

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- C. KDHCDKaweah Delta will sometimes disclose information to a contracted business associate in a limited data set for the purposes of research, public health or health care operations. In these cases, the business associate contract shall be amended to include a data use agreement. The Privacy Officer shall ensure that data use agreements comply with the content requirements of the HIPAA Privacy regulation.
- D. KDHCDKaweah Delta may share demographic information and dates of health care provided to a patient with the KDHCDKaweah Delta Foundation. Any fundraising materials sent out shall include a description of how the individual may opt out of receiving any further fundraising communications.
- E. **Prior** to disclosing patient information, KDHCDKaweah Delta staff shall verify the identity of the person requesting the information **and** the authority of that person to access the information.

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- 2. Staff will verify the authority of public officials by:
  - Receiving a written statement of legal authority or documenting an oral statement of such authority.
  - Accepting a civil, judicial or administrative warrant, subpoena, order or other legal process.

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Patient Elopement Critical Incident Response - Code Green	

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#### POLICY:

Kaweah Delta Health Care District (KDHCD) is committed to the safety and security of all patients. All physicians and staff are responsible for responding quickly and appropriately in the event of the elopement of a cognitively impaired patient who may be at risk for harm, including patients on a voluntary or involuntary psychiatric hold who leave the hospital without notification of KDHCD staff. Unit personnel will respond immediately when a patient is identified as missing. This policy excludes competent patients leaving against medical advice (AMA).

#### PROCEDURE:

When a cognitively impaired patient, or a patient who is on an voluntary or involuntary psychiatric hold such as a W&I 5150 or 5250, or a medical hold pending a psychiatric evaluation such as a H&S1799.111 is believed to be missing from our facilities, or is observed to leave leaving a facility, the following process will be followed in response to the elopement:

Call "44" to activate the overhead paging and announce a "Code Green", giving exact location to alert all staff a patient is missing or in the process of elopement. Hospital Security and all available staff will respond immediately to the location.

If patient is combative and leaving, the staff member noting the elopement will stay with the patient and alert the next nearest staff member to initiate a "Code Green". The staff member monitoring the patient will take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of the patient, without placing him or herself in harm's way.

The Visalia Police Department will be notified by a "9-911" call, if the patient leaves the facility.

II. The Nurse Manager, (or Charge Nurse/Team Lead) will respond to the code alert and gather the following information:

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- A. Patient name, room number, gender, approximate height and weight, hair color, race, photograph if available, and any other identifying information (e.g. using a wheelchair).
- B. Time patient was last seen and description of what patient was wearing.
- C. If the missing patient had any visitors in the last 24 hours, i.e. who visited the patient and when.
- D. The area the patient left from and what direction they were going.
- E. Notification of the patient's family.
- III. On weekends or when an administrator is not on campus, the nurse in charge of the patient will notify the House Supervisor. If the patient is not located, the House Supervisor will notify the administrator on-call and Risk Management.
- IV. If the elopement was not observed and a patient is found to be missing, all available personnel will search all rooms within the unit and initiate a "Code Green". If the patient is not found, the staff will follow the protocol listed in numbers I and II above.
- V. If staff are unable to find the patient within the building, KDHCD staff will search the immediate grounds outside of KDHCD's buildings and campus.
- VI. If the patient is not found, nursing staff will call the family and notify them of the patient's absence. Patient and Family Services should be notified to assist with calling the family or guardian of the patient.
- VII. If the patient is not found, the Nurse Manager, Charge Nurse or Team Lead will notify the Visalia Police Department with a "9-911" call to initiate an area search.
- VIII. Documentation of the patient's return to the facility will include:
  - A. Time of return.
  - B. Patient's reason for leaving (if known), and where they went while AWOL.
  - C. Assessment of patient, including current vital signs (BP, T, P, R).
  - D. Interventions implemented (i.e.: sitter, TAB monitor).
  - E. Individuals notified of patient's return (Administration, Physician, and Family).
  - F. Completion of an NOE an occurrence Midas Rreport.

#### **PROCEDURE**REFERENCES:

Patient Elopement Critical Incident Response - Code Green

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Animal Assisted Activities / Therapy (AAA/AAT)		

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**PURPOSE:** To govern safe, conscientious, and professional involvement of animals in Animal Assisted Activities/Therapy within Kaweah Delta Health Care District.

POLICY:

The Recreation Therapist and Activity Coordinators located at the West campus will coordinate and supervise the AAA/AAT program assuring that all participants are in compliance. Animal-Assisted Activities (AAA) provide opportunities for motivational, educational, recreational, and/or therapeutic benefits to enhance quality of life. Specially trained professionals, para-professionals, or volunteers in association with animals that meet specific criteria deliver AAA.

Animal-Assisted Therapy (AAT) is a goal-directed intervention in which an animal that meets specific criteria is an integral part of the patient's treatment process. AAT is directed and or delivered by a health or human service professional with specialized expertise and within the scope of practice of his or her profession. AAT is designed to promote improvement in human physical, social, emotional, and/or cognitive functioning. AAT may be group or individual in nature. The process is documented and evaluated.

#### PROCEDURE:

- I. Any employee/authorized volunteer wishing to be involved in AAA/AAT must be registered with an AAA/AAT organization such as the Delta Society, Therapy Dogs International, etc. The AAA/AAT coordinator is available to evaluate for registration. AAA/AAT is currently limited to dogs.
- II. A yearly health/vaccination certificate <u>willmust</u> be kept on file <u>in with</u> the <u>Kaweah Delta Rehabilitation Hospital</u> Recreation Therap<u>ist or Activity</u> Coordinator<del>y office</del>.
- III. Handlers will evaluate the animal's health prior to each visit and will not bring an animal whose general well being is compromised or who has external parasites.
- IV. Animals found to have external parasites or who demonstrate illness during a visit will be immediately removed from the premises.
- V. Animals will be effectively controlled by leash (six foot maximum)

- VI. Animals will be bathed/groomed prior to visit.
- VII. Animals are not allowed in areas where medications are prepared or where food is being served.
- VIII. All persons coming in contact with animals shall utilize proper and frequent hand washing. Animals are not to be fed by patients during the visit.
- IX. The rights of patients, visitors, and staff not wishing to have contact with an animal will be respected.
- X. The rights of the animals for access to water, exercise areas, safety and freedom from undue stress will be respected.
- XI. The presence of animals in the hospital shall not lessen the standard of housekeeping or contribute to an objectionable odor.
- XII. Animals are to be toileted prior to visit. If toileting need arises during the visit, outdoor grass areas may be used. It is the responsibility of the handler to properly dispose of waste. Should an "accident" occur, the handler should seek assistance from staff/housekeeping for appropriate clean up.
- XIII. Should an incident occur (scratch, bite, sever adverse or allergic response, etc.) standard hospital injury protocol will be implemented.
- XIV. Incidents will be review by the AAA/T coordinator, rehabilitation director, and handler. The animal may be placed on probation or asked to retire.
- XV. Female animals shall either be spayed or determined not to be in estrus while visiting.
- XVI. Human-animal volunteer teams may have their privilege for participation in the program suspended or revoked if any of the following occur:
  - A. The handler is unable to demonstrate adequate control of an animal.
  - B. The animal's temperament, behavior, or health is not appropriate (either on one visit or consistently over time).
  - C. The handler does not maintain standards of personal appearance for self or the animal.
  - D. Confidentiality is breached.
  - E. Volunteer misses three consecutive visits.

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Foreign Language Forms, Signs, Etc.		

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**POLICY:** To ensure quality of translation, all forms, signs, pamphlets, brochures, etc., produced for display on or distribution by Kaweah Delta Health Care District, in a language other than English, will be coordinated through the Marketing and Interpreter Services Departments. to provide proper content and structure meeting District standards.

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Interpreter Services		

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#### **PURPOSE:**

- A. To define the communication system that is used for patients who are Limited English Proficient (LEP) or who are deaf or hard of hearing (hearing impaired). Such a system will include appropriate "auxiliary aids" and/or language interpretation services to ensure effective communication between patients and staff during critical health services or treatment situations.
- B. To provide guidelines for coordinating timely response to meeting the assessed special language needs of individual patients, their designated representative, guardian or next of kin.
- C. To comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Health and Safety Code of California
- <u>Health and Safety Code of California</u> requires licensed general acute care hospitals to provide language assistance services to patients with language or communication barriers.
- <u>Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964</u> requires federal fund recipients to ensure the eligible Limited English Proficiency (LEP) persons have "meaningful access" to health services.
- ADA Title II requires that public accommodations provide "auxiliary" aids when necessary to enable a person with disabilities to benefit from their services.
- **POLICY:** It is the policy of Kaweah Delta Health Care District (KDHCD) to provide, to the extent possible, the use of qualified interpreters or assistive devices whenever a language or communication barrier exists. For patients that are minors or incapacitated, the preferred language of the patient's parent(s) guardian, or surrogate decision-maker will also be determined. The Bill of Rights for People with Limited English Skills will be provided orally or in a written format. The patient will be informed of the availability of free interpretive interpreter services. If the patient still

chooses to use a family member or friend who volunteers to interpret, then a Waiver of Interpreter Services will be initiated and entered into the patient filemedical record.

A. KDHCD recognizes that individuals and Health Care Providers must be able to communicate effectively. When language barriers exist between providers and patients, the quality of information is diminished and the outcome of the patient encounter may be unsatisfactory. This may lead to decreased patient compliance and increased potential for medical errors and misdiagnosis.

In emergency situations, treatment will be provided in accordance with standard medical practice. Interpreters will be sought promptly; but treatment will not be delayed pending the arrival of an interpreter.

- B. It is the policy of KDHCD to provide equal access to and equal participation in healthcare activities for persons who are visually impaired, deaf or hard-of-hearing as well as for persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP). KDHCD provides communication aids and services at no cost to the patient during their course of care. It is the policy of KDHCD to use qualified interpreters (certified, certificated or trained or certificated) during critical health services or treatment situations. Qualified Sign Language interpreters are also available.
- C. Effective communication is important in every area of hospital communication, but KDHCD prioritizes the most careful attention to effective communication in the provision of medical, nursing and ancillary services, where patient safety, medical error, and ability to understand treatment options are affected. The following types of encounters and procedures which are performed by providers who do not speak the primary language spoken by the patient/surrogate decision-maker, and which require the use of healthcare interpreter services, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Providing clinic and emergency medical services;
  - b. Obtaining medical histories;
  - c. Explaining any diagnosis and plan for medical treatment;
  - d. Discussing any mental health issues or concerns;
  - e. Explaining any change in regimen or condition;
  - f. Explaining any medical procedures, tests or surgical interventions;
  - g. Explaining patient rights and responsibilities;
  - h. Explaining the use of seclusion or restraints;
  - i. Obtaining informed consent;
  - j. Providing medication instructions and explanation of potential side effects:
  - k. Explaining discharge plans;
  - Discussing issues at patient and family care conferences and/or health education sessions:

- m.Discussing Advanced Directives;
- n. Discussing end of life decisions; and,
- o. Obtaining financial and insurance information.
- D. Interpreter Services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and are free of charge to the patient. Interpreter Services can be made available in a variety of ways, depending on the specific needs of the patient. (See "Procedure" for additional information.)
- E. All employees shall be instructed about interpretation services during their orientation program and on an ongoing basis as appropriate.
- F. The patient's preferred language is to be noted in the patient's medical record and plan of care. This will be determined by asking, "In what language do you prefer to discuss your health care?" This is regardless of whether the patient speaks English fluently or uses another language to communicate.
- G. The policy of KDHCD shall be to provide all patients and surrogate decision-makers requiring language assistance with medical care information in their preferred language. LEP patients/surrogate decision-makers shall be advised of their right to have interpreter services provided within a reasonable time, at no charge to them.
- H. A patient is not required or expected to use friends or family members as interpreters because the use of such individuals may result in breach of confidentiality and reluctance from the patient to reveal personal information critical to the services to be provided. Should an LEP patient/patient representative insist upon the use of a friend or family member to be her/his interpreter, KDHCD needs to first ensure that the patient understands that interpreter services are legally guaranteed and free of charge. The Office of Civil Rights (OCR) Policy Guidance states that the hospital may proceed, provided that the use of such a person does not compromise the effectiveness or confidentiality of the patient, and provided that the offer and the patient's wishes are documented in the patient's file. KDHCD personnel shall ensure that the patient signs the "Waiver of Interpreter Services" showing they have refused a hospital-provided interpreter (see attached form).
- Patient/families are to be made aware of the bilingual resources available in the following ways:
  - a. Signage/postings
    - Multilingual notices are to be placed in conspicuous locations informing patients of available bilingual services and how to access them. These notices shall also contain the telephone number where patients can file complaints about interpretation services.

Each notice shall also include a TTY number for the hearing impaired. (See attached notices in English/Spanish.)

ii. Notices shall be posted in conspicuous areas around the facility including, but not limited to, the emergency room and major entrances, admitting areas and lobbies.

- iii. Educational and vital documents and materials shall also be translated to Spanish and be made available to Spanish only speaking patients, as this population comprises at least 5% of KDHCD patient population.
- J. It will be the policy of KDHCD to translate and make available all Vital Documents in Threshold Languages. The translation of other hospital written materials in Frequently Encountered or other languages shall be at the discretion of the issuing staff. Vital Documents that are not produced in a written translation shall be verbally translated to the patient or surrogate decision-maker. The provision of oral translation of all Vital Documents to patients shall be documented and documentation shall become a part of the medical record.
  - a. Prior to the assignment of work to a translator, the Interpreter Services Department will provide a Materials Review process for all materials that are to be translated into Spanish to ensure:
    - i. Appropriate reading level for the target population;
    - ii. Plain language will be used. The language is simple and clear;
    - iii. Messages and illustrations are culturally appropriate;
    - iv. Document prints clearly in black and white if it will be posted on the internet for public download
  - b. The KDHCD Interpreter Services Department will translate all Spanish translations, unless they are unable to meet indicated timelines. All requests for translations in any language will be routed through the Interpreter Services Department. Approved agencies may be used by the Interpreter Services Department to provide translation of patient information or education.
  - c. The Interpreter Services Department will review all translations returned by approved translation agencies before translations are returned to the department for duplication and/or distribution.
  - d. The Interpreter Services Department will assist the Marketing Department with the Spanish translation of forms, signs, pamphlets, etc. for display or distribution by KDHCD. (See Policy #: AP.18)

#### **PROCEDURE**

- I. Notification of Interpreter Services
  - a. Notices in the form of Language ID Posters and Language Easels are posted in the main hallway of each facility, Emergency Dept. and outpatient areas advising patients and their families about the availability of free interpretation services, a list of available languages, and how to access an interpreter.
- II. Patient Identification
  - a. The first access point in which a patient acquires services

(emergency room registration, admissions, etc.) shall incorporate the determination of language needs into intake procedure.

- i. Do you speak a language other than English at home?
- ii. In what language do you prefer to receive your medical services?
- b. If the patient does not understand, use the Language Determination Cards/Posters to help patients identify their language.
- c. If the patient is unable to use the Language Determination Card, and hospital staff cannot determine the appropriate language, dial 8989 for assistance with the identification of their language.
- d. Note the patient's preferred language in the Patient's medical record, on their face sheet and the Assessment Data Base Record.
- III. Inform Patients of their Right to Have Interpreter Services
  - a. If the patient speaks a language other than English at home, the statement informing patients of their rights to interpreter services will also be provided to patients in written form in their primary language.
  - b. This statement will be translated into all Threshold Languages.
- IV. Patient Wristbands
  - a. The wristband is light blue with the message: i. DIAL EXT. 8989 FOR INTERPRETER...
  - b. In order to ensure that the preferred communication preferences follow the patient from department/facility to department/facility, a light blue wristband will be placed on the patient's wrist (dominant arm) and secured in order to identify and visually communicate to all staff that the patient has requested interpreter service be provided during his/her stay.
  - c. If the patient's condition prohibits the application of the wristband to the wrist, then the ankle may be used.
  - d. This procedure is applicable to all staff that initially register/admit the patient, as well as staff who provide patient care.
- V. The Health Care Interpreter Network (HCIN)
  - a. Simply dial 8989.
  - b. Available 24 hours a day to assist with video and phone Interpretation via any KDHCD telephone, mobile phone or video phone.
  - e. Procedures are outlined on KDCentral under Department/Interpreter Services/Health Care Interpreter Network.
  - d.c. If you are asked for your Access Code Client ID, it is 841263.
- VI. Requesting an Interpreter
  - Staff must utilize the appropriate interpreter for explanations of tests/procedures, surgery, to obtain informed consent, and to give critical instructions.
  - b. If the staff person determines that an "in person" interpreter is required, he/she may contact the Interpreter Services Department

- at Ext. 2501, 5981, 5902);
- A Language Resource Assistant (LRA) may also be called and is listed under KDNet/Directories/Interpreter Directory.
- d. Necessary emergency care will not be withheld pending the arrival of interpreter services.
- e. All necessary contact numbers and access codes client IDs for the direct contact of contracted interpreter services shall be available to Emergency Room staff and in KDCentral.

#### VII. Hearing Impaired Patients

- a. American Sign Language Services are available by using the HCIN video phones located throughout the hospital and outlying facilities.
- b. Call the Interpreter Services Department at Ext. 5981, 5902, or 2501 for assistance.
- TTY Machines are available through PBX or the Information Desk as well as facilities throughout the District. Please follow the operating instructions.
  - Plug the AC adapter into the nearest electrical outlet, connect to phone line and turn the power on.
  - ii. Pick up the headset of the telephone and dial 1-800-735-2929 or 9-711.
  - iii. Place the headset onto the TTY machine
  - iv. Patient may begin using the keyboard.

#### VIII. Documentation:

- The Staff person utilizing the qualified provider of healthcare interpreting or device will document the encounter in the patient's medical record.
  - 1. Method (Face-to-face, Telephone, Video)
  - 2. Date and time
- b. Documentation will be maintained in the Interpreter Services Department for:
- All interpretation encounters performed by KDHCD Interpreter Services Staff.
- ii. All services provided by contracted language interpretation services, including telephonic and videophone services.

#### IX. Waiver of Interpreter Services

- a. If after a patient has been informed of their right to receive free interpreter services, the patient insists upon the use of a friend of family member, then the Waiver of Interpreter Services will be completed and signed by the patient.
- X. Qualified Providers of Healthcare Interpreting
  - a. Certified Medical Interpreters:

i. These English/Spanish speaking interpreters are obtained from the KDHCD Interpreter Services Department. These interpreters have achieved either a CHI credential from the Certification Commission for Healthcare Interpreters or a CMI credential from the National Board of Certification for Medical Interpreters.

a.b. Certificated Medical Interpreters:

 These English/Spanish speaking interpreters are obtained from the KDHCD Interpreter Services Department and have been trained as interpreters.

b.c. Language Resource Assistants:

- i. A list of staff is available on the KDNet service system under Directories/ Interpreter Directory.
- These bilingual staff members have indicated a willingness to interpret and have been tested and qualified for their ability to do so at the general or clinical/advanced level. (See Policy # HR.17).
- iii. Currently, only English/Spanish and English/Lahu bilingual staff is listed. They are classified at the general or clinical level. (See Policy # HR.17).
- c. Contracted Interpreter Services

#### XI. VIDATAK EZ Board

- a. Available through the Interpreter Services Department as well as Patient Family Services and House Supervisor.
- b. Initially designed for mechanically ventilated patients, they also work well for patients who display communication barriers but read in their own language and need to communicate basic needs and pain levels to their care providers from their bedside.
- c. They are available in English and pictures as well as:

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#### **Definition of Terms**

#### Non-English or Limited English Proficiency (LEP)

Those individuals whose native language is other than English and who cannot speak, read, write, or understand the English language at a level that permits them to interact effectively with healthcare providers.

#### Communication Barrier

Applies to a person who is deaf/hearing impaired, intubated or has neurological deficits or speaks another language hindering communication.

#### **Deaf**

This term is generally used to describe individuals with a severe to profound hearing loss, with little or no residual hearing. Some deaf people use sign language, such as America Sign Language (ASL) or Langue des Signes Quebecoise (LSQ) to communicate using their residual hearing and hearing aids, technical devices or cochlear implants, and/or speech reading.

#### Hard of Hearing "person with hearing loss", Hearing Impaired

This term is generally used to describe individuals who use spoken language (their residual hearing and speech) to communicate. Most hard of hearing people can understand some speech sounds with or without hearing aids and often supplement their residual hearing with speech reading, hearing aids and technical devices.

#### Qualified Sign Language (ASL – American Sign Language) Interpreter:

A person who is fluent in sign language and is trained and proficient in the skill and ethics of interpreting and who is knowledgeable about the specialized terms and concepts that need to be interpreted for purposes of ensuring effective communication.

#### Healthcare Interpreter

One who has been trained in healthcare interpreting, adheres to the professional code of ethics and protocols of healthcare interpreters, is knowledgeable about medical terminology, and can accurately and completely render communication from one language to another.

Bilingual staff may provide patient instructions only if they had their competency tested and qualified to do so.

#### Translator

One who converts written text into a written text in a second language corresponding to and equivalent in meaning to the text in the first language.

#### Language Resource Assistant (LRA)

Kaweah Delta Health Care District staff member who is bilingual and who is willing to provide language interpretation. This person's language competency has been

tested and is classified as general or clinical/advanced. They are identified by either an Orange LRA pin for General or a Dark Blue LRA pin for Clinical/Advanced that must be worn on their badge. Based on the designated level of language competency, the LRA will receive additional compensation to their current salary:

General - \$ 2.50-00 (fifty centstwo dollars) for each 15 minute increment Clinical/Advanced - \$14.00 (ene dollars) for each 15 minute increment

Compensation will be provided only for actual time of interpretation if such staff member is pulled outside of their line of work or work area. If being bilingual was an initial requirement of the job or staff member interprets within the course of their own work, additional compensation will not be awarded. A log of encounters will be submitted to the Interpreter Services Department on a bi-weekly basis. <u>LRA compensation does not apply to the KDHCD Residency program.</u>

#### **Auxiliary Aids**

Dual handset telephone for foreign language interpretation; qualified interpreters; telephones with volume control, Vidatak boards, patient needs communication cards; exchange of written notes.

#### **Contracted Services**

A designated service that provides 24-hour foreign language interpretation services either in-person or via telephone through which KDHCD has contractual agreements that define expectations and response time.

#### Attachments:

Waiver of Interpreter Services Availability of Interpreter/Para Obtener un Intérprete Available Languages from contracted services

See Administrative Policy AP.18

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at no cost to me or my family.		
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I understand I can withdraw this waiver at any time and required I also understand that this waiver does not give permission for Representative.		
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Signature of Interpreter / Firma del intérprete	Date / Fecha
Signature of Staff Person / Firma del proveedor de servicios	Date / Fecha

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#### Bill of Rights for People with Limited English Skills

Even if you do not speak English well, you have the right:

- To get help from an interpreter who can translate English into your language. This service is free to you and your family;
- > To be treated with courtesy and respect;
- To be treated in a way that is sensitive to your ethnic and cultural needs;
- > To obtain services without facing discrimination, abuse or harassment;
- > To get information about health care services in your language;
- > To be part of the process of assessing your health and putting together a plan for your health services;
- > To be told in your language what could happen if you accept services or refuse them;
- > To raise concerns you have about the services you receive;
- To be told in your language about how to make a complaint about healthcare providers; To be told in your language about your rights and responsibilities when using services;
- To be told in your language about laws and policies a health-care provider must follow;
- > To have your health care records kept confidential.

# Declaración de derechos para personas con conocimiento limitado del idioma inglés

Aunque no hable bien el idioma inglés, usted tiene derecho a:

- Recibir ayuda de un intérprete que pueda traducir del inglés a su idioma. Este servicio es gratuito para usted y su familia;
- Ser tratado con cortesía y respeto;
- > Ser tratado de manera sensible a sus necesidades étnicas y culturales;
- > Recibir servicios sin enfrentar discriminación, abuso ni hostigamiento;
- > Recibir información sobre servicios de atención de la salud en su idioma;
- Participar en el proceso de evaluación de su salud y en el desarrollo de un plan para sus servicios de salud;
- Recibir información, en su idioma, sobre lo que podría pasar si usted acepta servicios o los rechaza;

- > Expresar sus preocupaciones sobre los servicios que recibe;
- Recibir información, en su idioma, sobre la forma de presentar quejas sobre proveedores de atención de la salud;
- Recibir información, en su idioma, sobre sus derechos y responsabilidades al utilizar servicios;
- Recibir información, en su idioma, sobre las leyes y normas que deben respetar los proveedores de atención de la salud;
- Que sus registros de atención de la salud se mantengan en privado.

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#### **AVAILABILITY OF INTERPRETERS**

Patients/surrogate decision-makers of Kaweah Delta Health Care District, who are Limited English Proficient (LEP), shall have services provided to them in their primary language or have interpreter services provided to them during the delivery of all significant healthcare services. Interpreter services shall be available within a reasonable time, at no cost to patients.

This establishment subscribes to 24 hour interpretation services provided by:

The Health Care Interpreter Network

To obtain an interpreter for further assistance, please notify: Interpreter Services Department 624-5902 or 624-5981

TTY phones for Deaf & Hearing Impaired patients will be provided when needed or requested. Please contact the Operator. A qualified American Sign Language (ASL) Interpreter may be called by contacting the Interpreter Services Department. Service provided by:

The Health Care Interpreter Network

To file a complaint with the District regarding interpreter services provided, contact the District's Interpreter Services Manager at (559) 624-5902 or the:

Office of Civil Rights
US Department of Health and Human Services
90 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 4-100
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 437-8310: (415) 437-8311 TDD
Fax (415) 437-8329

You will not be penalized for filing a complaint.

#### DISPONIBILIDAD DEL SERVICIO DE INTÉRPRETES

Los pacientes o personas que toman decisiones al estar bajo la atención del Kaweah Delta Health Care District, quienes cuentan con un Dominio Limitado del Inglés (LEP, por sus siglas en Inglés), recibirán servicios en su propio idioma o tendrán los servicios provistos por un intérprete al estar recibiendo atención de salud clínicamente relevante. Los servicios del Departamento de Intérpretes se proporcionarán dentro de un espacio de tiempo razonable, sin costo alguno para el paciente.

Éste centro está suscrito al servicio de interpretación las 24 horas del día, y será provisto por:

**The Health Care Interpreter Network** 

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Para más ayuda y conseguir un intérprete, por favor llame a: Interpreter Services Department 624-5981 ó 624-5902

Los Teléfonos TTY para los pacientes Sordos e Impedidos de la Audición serán provistos cuando se necesiten o se soliciten. Por favor, comuníquese con la Operadora. Un intérprete capacitado en Lenguaje en Señas Americano (ASL, por sus siglas en Inglés) podrá ser llamado al comunicarse con el Interpreter Services Department. Dicho servicio será provistos por:

The Health Care Interpreter Network

Para presentar una queja frente al Distrito respecto a los servicios de interpretación provistos, comuníquese con la Gerencia del Interpreter Services Department al (559) 624-5902 ó a:

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Haitian Creole - Haiti

## **Supported Languages and**

### **Dialects by Language**

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Acholi - Uganda, Sudan Afrikaans – South Africa, Namibia Akan – Ghana, Ivory Coast Akateko – Guatemala Albanian – Albania Algerian Arabic – Algeria Amharic – Ethiopia Arabic – Widely Distributed Armenian – Armenia Ashanti (Asante Twi) - Ghana Assyrian – Iraq Azerbaijani – Azerbaijan Azorean Portuguese – Azores Islands Bahnar – Vietnam Bahasa Indonesia (Indonesian) – Indonesia Bambara – Mali Bambara – Mail
Belarusan – Belarus
Bengali – Bangladesh, India
Bosnian – Bosnia & Herzegovina
Brazilian Portuguese – Brazil
Bulgarian – Bulgaria
Burmese – Myanmar (former Burma)
Cambodian (Khmer) – Cambodia Cambodian (Khmer) - Cambodia Cantonese - China Cape Verdean (Portuguese Creole) -Cape Verde Catalan – Andorra, Spain Cebuano – Philippines Chaldean – Iraq Chamorro – Guam Chaozhou (Teochew) – China Chin – Myanmar (former Burma)
Chinese (var. languages/dialects) – China Chuukese (Trukese) – Micronesia Croatian – Croatia Czech – Czech Republic Danish – Denmark Dari (Afgan Farsi) – Afghanistan Dene – Canada Dewoin – Liberia Dinka – Sudan Duala – Cameroon Dutch – Netherlands Egyptian Arabic – Egypt Estonian – Estonia Ewe – Ghana Fante – Ghana Farsi (Persian) - Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan Fijian – Fiji Filipino (Tagalog) – Philippines Finnish – Finland Flemish – Begium French - Africa, Canada, France, Tunisia, et al French Creole - Caribbean Fukienese - China Fulani (Fulfulde, Fula) - Cameroon, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal Fuzhou – China

Ga – Ghana Gen (Mina) – Togo, Benin German – Germany Gokana (Khana) – Nigeria Greek – Greece

Gujarati - India

Haka Burmese - Myanmar (former Burma) Hakka – China Hausa – Niger, Nigeria Hebrew – Israel Hindi - India Hmong - China, Vietnam, Laos Hungarian – Hungary Ibo (Igbo) – Nigeria Ilocano – Philippines Indonesian (Bahasa Indonesia) – Indonesia Iraqi Arabic – Iraq Italian – Italy Japanese – Japan Jarai – Vietnam Javanese – Indonesia Jordanian Arabic – Jordan Jordanian Arabic – Jordan Juba Arabic – Sudan Kanjobal (Q'anjob'al) – Guatemala Kannada – India Kapampangan – Philippines Karen (Pa'o, S'gaw) – Myanmar (former Burma) Kayah - Myanmar (former Burma) Khmer (Cambodian) – Cambodia Kinyarwanda – Rwanda Kirundi – Burundi Koho – Vietnam Korean – Korea Kpele – Guinea, Liberia Krahn – Liberia, Ivory Coast Krio – Sierra Leone Kunama – Fritrea Kurdish [Kurmanji, Sorani] – Iraq, Turkey, Kurmanji (Northern Kurdish) – Turkey Kuawaiti Arabic – Kuwait Lao - Laos Latvian – Latvia Lebanese Arabic Lebanon Lingala – Congo, Republic of the Lithuanian – Lithuania Luganda – Uganda Luo – Kenya Maay (Af Maay, Rahanween, Bantu) -Somalia Macedonian – Macedonia Malay – Malaysia Malayalam – India Malinke – Senegal
Mam – Guatemala
Mandarin – China
Mandinka (Mandingo) – Senegal
Marathi – India
Marshallese – Marshall Islands
Marshallese – Marshall Islands Mayan [Akateko, Kanjobal] - Guatemala, Mexico Mien – China, Laos, Thailand Mina (Gen) – Togo, Benin Minangkabau – Indonesia Mixteco Alto – Mexico Mixteco Bajo - Mexico
Mnong - Vietnam
Mongolian - Mongolia
Moroccan Arabic - Morocco Nahuatl - Mexico Navajo – U.S.A.(Southwest)

Nepalese - Nepal, India Nuer – Sudan Oromo – Ethiopia Oromo — Ettilopia Palestinian Arabic — Israel, Jordan Pangasinan — Philippines Papiamento — Netherlands Antilles Pashto (Pushto) — Pakistan, Afghanistan Persian (Farsi) — Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan Pakistan
Polish – Poland
Portuguese – Portugal, Brazil, et al.
Portuguese Creole (Cape Verdean) –
Cape Verde Pulaar – Senegal Punjabi (Panjabi) – Pakistan, India Quechua – Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru Quiche (K'iche) – Guatemala Rade – Vietnam Rade – Vietnam Romanian – Romania Russian – Russia Samoan – Samoa San Miguel – Mexico Santa Eulalia – Guatemala Saraiki – Pakistan, India Serbian – Serbia, Montenegro Serbo-Croatian – Balkans Shanghainese – China Sichuan (Szechuan) – China Sinhalese – Sri Lanka Slovak – Slovakia Somali – Somalia Soninke (Serahule) – Mali Sorani (Central Kurdish) – Iraq Spanish - Spain, Latin America, et al. Sudanese Arabic – Sudan Susu – Guinea Swahili – Kenya, Somalia, Tanzania, et al. Swedish – Sweden Syrian Arabic – Syria Tagalog (Filippino) – Philippines
Tai Dam – Vietnam Taiwanese – Taiwan Tamil – India Telugu – India Teochew (Chaozhou) – China Thai – Thailand
Tibetan – China
Tigrigna (Tigrinya) – Ethiopia, Eritrea
Toishanese – China
Tongan – Tonga
Trukese (Chuukese) – Micronesia Tunisian Arabic – Tunisia Turkish – Turkey Twi – Ghana Tzotzil – Mexico Ukrainian – Ukraine Urdu – Pakistan, India Vietnamese – Vietnam Wolof – Senegal Xhosa – South Africa Yemeni Arabic – Yemen Yiddish – Israel Yoruba – Nigeria Yup'ik – U.S.A (Alaska) Zulu – South Africa

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Akan	Danish	Huizhou	Mandingo	Sindhi
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Amharic	Dene	Icelandic	Mien	Slovakian
Arabic	Dinka	lgbo/lbo	Micif	Slovenian
Aramaic	Dogrib	Ilocano	Min Nan	Somali
Armenian	Dutch	Indonesian	Moldavian	South Slavey
Assyrian	Eritrean	Inuinaktun	Mongolian	Spanish
Azarbajiani	Estonian	Inuktitut	Ndebele	Susu
Azari/Azeri	Fante	Italian	Nepali	Swahili
Belorussian	Farsi	Japanese	North Slavey	Swedish
Bengali	Fijian	Kakwa	Norwegian	Tagalog
Berber	Finnish	Karen	Nuer	Taiwanese
Bosnian	Flemish	Khmer/Cambodian	Nyanja	Tamil
Bulgarian	Formosan	Kinyarwanda	Nzema	Telegu
Burmese	French	Kirundi	Ojibway	Thai
Cantonese	French-Canadian	Kiswahili	Ojicree	Tibetan
Cebuano	Frisian	Korean	Oromo	Tigrinya
Chaldean	Fuchownese	Kurdish	Polish	Toisan
Chao Chow	Fur	Kutchi	Portuguese	Tongan
Chilcotin	Ga	Lao	Punjabi	Turkish
Chipewyan	German	Latin	Pushto	Turkmen
Cree	Greek	Lingala	Romanian	Twi/Asante
Cree-James Bay	Gujarati	Lithuanian	Russian	Ukrainian
Cree-Plains	Gwichin	Low German	Salish	Urdu
Cree-Swampy Cree	Hakka	Lugbara	Sanskrit	Uyghur
Cree-Swampy	Hausa	Ma Di	Saulteaux	Veneto
Cree-Woodlands	Harari	Macedonian	Serbian	Vietnamese
Creole	Hebrew	Malay	Serbo-Croatian	Yiddish
Creole-Haitian	Hindi	Malayalam	Shanghainese	Zulu

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Bioethics Committee		

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#### Purpose:

In recognition of the complexity of modern medical practice and the multiple ethical issues which may arise in the provision of patient care, Kaweah Delta Medical Center will establish and maintain a Bioethics Committee to assist patients, families, hospital and medical staff in effectively addressing bioethical issues.

#### Policy:

The Bioethics Committee (hereinafter referred to as "the committee") shall exist as a committee of the Medical Staff and fulfill the following functions:

- 1. Provide education for patients, families, hospital and medical staff regarding relevant bioethics issues.
- 2. Provide the institution assistance with the analysis and development of policies and procedures regarding bioethics issues.
- 3. Provide Bioethics Consultation Services to assist patients, families, hospital and medical staff in addressing bioethics issues arising in the provision of patient care. This is an advisory function, only.

#### **Procedure:**

- I. <u>Education</u>: In cooperation with the hospital/medical staff, the committee will assist in identifying educational needs and develop (or assist others in the development of) appropriate educational resources to meet these needs. These resources can include presentations, CME courses, etc. The goal will be to provide participants with language, concepts and a body of knowledge to assist in addressing complex ethical issues arising in hospital practice.
  - 1. Identified educational needs will be reviewed at the next available committee meeting or by the Chair or Vice Chair between meetings if the need is urgent.
  - 2. Committee members will establish contact with a point person for the educational need and will work with this individual to develop a plan for addressing the need.
  - 3. A summary of educational service provided will be reviewed at next available meeting of the committee.

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4. Materials used in the educational service will be archived in the <u>Bioethics</u> <u>Committee Chair and/or Vice Chair Medical Staff</u> Office for possible use in future educational services.

- 5. Committee member providing educational service will obtain feedback from the "customer" regarding effectiveness of service provided and include this is summary presentation to the committee
- II. <u>Policy Review & Development:</u> The committee will assist the institution and it's professional staff in the analysis of current policies and the development of new policies and procedures regarding bioethical issues.
  - Hospital and Medical staff members who identify possible need for policy review/development will contact the Bioethics Committee Chair or Vice Chair Medical Staff Office to request placement of policy on committee meeting agenda. Chair or Vice Chair will provide immediate review and consult with appropriate hospital/medical staff h the Chief Medical Officer and/or Risk Manager as appropriate, if the need is urgent.
  - Policy/procedure will be reviewed at committee meeting and committee member will be assigned to assist staff in further analysis and review as needed.
  - 3. Results of analysis and review and committee recommendations will be discussed and documented in the minutes of the next committee meeting.
- III. <u>Bioethics Consultation Service</u>: The committee will provide both informal and formal consultation services at the request of medical staff, hospital staff, patients, family members and/or surrogate decision makers which arise in the course of patient care provision.
  - 1. Requests for bioethics consultation will be submitted by contacting the <u>Bioethics Committee Chair or Vice Chair Medical Staff Office</u> and will be responded to within 24 hours or by the next business day.
  - 2. Depending on the issue, a committee member will be identified as "Team Lead" who will provide initial review and will consult with committee chair to determine appropriate level of consultation.
  - 3. If Informal Consultation services are indicated:
    - a. Team Lead facilitates contact between requestor and appropriate committee member.
    - b. Committee member provides consultation services and provides a summary of same at next scheduled committee meeting.
  - 4. If Formal Consultation Services are indicated:
    - a. Team Lead will obtain the following information: Review of Medical Record noting patient's diagnosis/prognosis/treatment plan; formulate bioethical issues/questions; establish decision makers (i.e., patient, family, surrogate).

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b. Team Lead will consult with Chair to establish plan for physician contact and consultation process/structure.

- c. Team Lead will contact all appropriate parties and schedule Bioethics Consultation meeting (s) as appropriate.
- d. Team Lead will ensure that all parties are advised of recommendations provided through the consultation process and that these recommendations are documented.
- e. If, following Formal Consultation, the bioethics issues remain unresolved, Bioethics Chair will consult with <u>appropriate</u> <u>hospital/medical staff\_Chief of Staff or designee</u> to determine appropriate plan of action.
- f. Summary of Formal Consultation will be provided by Team Lead at next committee meeting.
- IV. <u>Appointment and Membership</u>: The committee shall be a multidisciplinary body including representatives from the following disciplines: medical staff, nursing, social work, pastoral care, risk management, board members and community members.
  - 1. New members will be recommended by the committee and appointed by the Bioethics Committee Chair or Vice Chair. Chief of Staff.
  - 2. The Chair of the committee will be appointed by the Chief of Staff.
  - 3. The Vice Chair of the committee will be chosen by the membership of the committee.
  - 4. Membership shall be for a period of two (2) years with staggered terms to assure continuity. Committee Members can serve beyond the 2 year period by mutual agreement of the Chair/Vice Chair and the committee member.
  - 5. Each hospital (employee) member will designate a temporary replacement who will attend meetings in the event that a committee member is unable to fulfill committee responsibility.
- V. <u>Meetings</u>: The Bioethics Committee shall meet <u>quarterly bimonthly</u>, with additional meets scheduled as appropriate to address urgent matters.
  - 1. Meeting agenda will be developed by the Chair and distributed one week prior to the meeting.
  - 2. For business purposes, two members shall constitute a quorum.
  - 3. Actions of the committee will be taken by the vote of a majority of the members attending the meeting.
  - 4. Each member will be required to attend at least three (3) of the committee's regularly scheduled meetings each year. Failure to do so will be considered voluntary resignation and the vacancy will be filled by appointment of a new member.

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VI. Record Keeping: The committee will maintain minutes of all meetings which will include summaries of all case reviews and recommendations.

- 1. Minutes will be submitted to the Chair for approval by the committee.
- 2. Minutes will not include identifying information about specific patient, family members, individual requesting consultation or professional staff participating in the case review process.
- 3. Records of the committee meetings and functions will be maintained in accordance with Medical Staff Bylaws and applicable laws governing the confidentiality of records and medical review committees.
- 4. When appropriate, actions and recommendations of the committee will be documented in the patient record.
- VII. <u>Liability</u>: Kaweah Delta Medical Center will provide liability protection for the committee members who do not have such protection by virtue of their status as members of the professional staff.
- VIII. <u>Adoption and Approval of Policies and Procedures</u>: Policies and procedures of the committee will be reviewed as appropriate by the membership of the committee.
  - 1. Proposed modifications of approved policies and procedures will be submitted to the committee in writing at least four (4) weeks in advance of a regularly scheduled meeting.
  - 2. Following recommendation by the committee, policies/procedures will be forwarded to the appropriate committee for subsequent action.

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Wireless Duress System							

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#### Policy:

The wireless duress system in the Emergency Room and Mental Health Hospital consists of wireless transmitters that communicate to the wireless internet system and specific computers to allow staff to use a wireless transmitter to request assistance if they have safety concerns.

All Emergency Room (ER) staff, Mental Health (MH) staff, Patient and Family Services (PFS), and Graduate Medical Education Residents (GME) on rotations in the ER and/or MH are issued wireless duress transmitters upon hire/assignment and are required to wear the transmitters while on duty. ER and MH management maintain a supply of extra wireless transmitters to distribute as needed (lost, float staff, etc.)

ER and MH Providers are encouraged to wear/utilize the wireless transmitters and sign them out through ER or MH Administration.

#### Procedure:

#### I. <u>Issuance:</u>

- 1. HR distributes wireless transmitters programmed with staff names to all ER staff upon hire.
- 2. GME distributes wireless transmitters to Residents/Students upon assignment to ER and/or Mental Health.
- 3. ER Providers sign out transmitters from the ER at the start of each shift and return them at the end of their shift.
- 4. Mental Health manages assignment of transmitters for employees and Medical Staff working at Mental Health Hospital.
- 5. ER management maintains a supply of extra transmitters for float staff, Environmental Services Staff, Patient Family Services Staff, lost or broken transmitters, etc.
- 6. All transmitters are tested for functionality prior to issuance.
- 7. Lost transmitters- All Staff, Providers, Residents/Students may be charged \$80 replacement fee for lost transmitters. Each case will be dealt with on an individual basis and HR shall decide if the individual shall be charged this cost.

#### I. Monitoring:

- 1. ER Duress System Monitoring PC's are located:
  - a. PBX/Information Service Center (ER monitoring)
  - b. ER Security Desk (ER monitoring and programming)
  - c. ED Zone 1, 2 &3 (monitoring and programming)
  - d. Security office (monitoring and programming)
  - e. Human Resources administrative assistants (3) (ER monitoring and programming)
  - f. Graduate Medical Education (3) (programming only)
  - g. ER Nurse Manager (monitoring and programming)
- 2. Mental Health Duress System monitoring PCs are located:
  - a. East Wing Nurse Station (MH monitoring)
  - b. West Wing Nurse Station (MH monitoring)
  - c. MH Security (MH monitoring)
  - d. MH Director (MH monitoring)
  - e. MH Director of Nursing (MH monitoring/programming)
  - fd. MH Nurse Managersgr. (MH monitoring)
  - g. MH Assistant Nurse Mgr. (MH monitoring)
- 3. Upon activation of the duress alarm all above PC's automatically indicate the individual in distress (if the badge is programmed, extra transmitters are not programmed) and their specific location. MH transmitters are not programmed with names, so the MH computers do not indicate this.
- 4. PBX/Information Service Center is responsible for paging overhead within the ER the specific location of the alarm (Duress Alarm, ER Zone 3 Room 28) and also paging this via the security radio system.
- 5. MH alarms are paged overhead at the MH Hospital by MH Staff.

#### II. Response:

- All available Security and ER staff respond to provide assistance to ER Duress Alarm.
- 2. All available Security and MH staff respond to provide assistance to MH Duress Alarm.

#### III. Clearing/Resetting the system:

 Upon response and resolution of the alarm, staff reset the alarm system by <u>double</u> clicking <u>and holding</u> the transmitter button <u>for five</u> <u>seconds</u>. Charge staff ensure that this takes place.

#### IV. Maintenance of the system:

- 1. Transmitters are cleaned with an approved hospital germicide —wipe. Do not immerse them in water/disinfectant.
- 2. Transmitters that are damaged/non-functional are returned to Information Technology after a service call/help desk ticket is opened by staff.

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**Duress Transmitter Issuance Form** 

Employee/Provider Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Duress Transmitter #: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Lost badges- All Staff, Providers, Residents/Students are charged \$80 replacement fee for lost transmitters.

By signing below I agree to pay via payroll deduction the above referenced fee for my

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- Patients will not be permitted to smoke while under KDHCD's care, even with a physician order.
- KDHCD will assist with compliance by sponsoring smoking cessation programs and providing smoking cessation education materials.
- 8. Persistent non-compliance with this policy should be directed to the following personnel:
  - Medical Staff Vice President for Medical Affairs and Chief Medical Officer
  - KDHCD Staff Appropriate Director and Executive Team Member

#### C. Housekeeping Practices:

- EVS in conjunction with occupants of the respective areas must monitor all facilities to avoid the accumulation of empty boxes, trash, wet and/or oily rags or other flammables or combustibles.
- 2. Do not stack boxes within eighteen inches from the bottom of the sprinkler heads.
- Fire doors may not be wedged open or blocked with equipment. If a fire door does not have a mechanical hold open device installed, it is to remain in the closed position.
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    equipment not in use, and patient lift and transport equipment. Beds are not considered
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    corridors.

#### D. <u>Electrical Hazard Prevention</u>:

Electrical devices with frayed cords or wires and defective switches or plugs should be taken out of use, tagged with the defect, and reported to the appropriate department, Clinical Engineering or Maintenance Department.

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#### E. Flame Spread Ratings:

The responsibility of acquiring flame spread ratings and the acquisition of approved equipment will be vested in the Hospital Architect of record, Facilities Planning Director, Director of Facilities Operations and the Director of Materials Management.

- Kaweah Delta Health Care District shall maintain on file in the Safety Office flame spread ratings on covering/finishing materials used within the facility.
- 2. These shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a. Carpet flame retardant
  - b. Wall coverings flame retardant
  - c. Drapes flame retardant
  - d. Waste baskets constructed of nonflammable material
  - e. Upholstery flame retardant
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- 3. Material will not be purchased if material flame spread rating data is not available

#### II. FIRE IDENTFICATION:

Kaweah Delta Health Care District, Main Campus, is equipped with a Simplex 2120 Multiplex Fire and a Siemens Fire Finder XLS Alarm System. This system will identify, signal, and annunciate, upon activation of one of the initiation devices, any Code Red incidents. Employees will also be depended upon for quick, accurate detection and identification of fire.

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The Fire Alarm System provides the following means of initiating and identifying fire and smoke.

- Smoke Detectors There are smoke detectors located throughout the facility. Specific rooms and corridors are equipped with smoke detectors.
- <u>Duct Detectors</u> There are duct detectors installed on many of the District's air handlers. These are duct-mounted smoke detectors.
- Heat Detectors There are standard heat/thermo detectors located in the kitchen area, janitor closets
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- Flow Switches -There are flow switches which annunciate fire sprinkler zones. Department-specific fire responses identify any sprinkler zone that serves that department.
- Pull Stations There are manual pull stations located throughout the facility. There will be a pull station located at all stair and ground floor exits and at various other locations. Department-specific fire responses note the pull station for that area.
- Employees should report any odors of smoke or sighting of smoke to PBX Immediately by calling the code phone number 44 inside the main facility or 911 for all other locations.

#### B. Alarm Signaling:

Upon activation of any initiation device such as smoke detector or any device mentioned in "Fire Identification" section herein, an audible and visual alarm will activate.

- Audible Alarms: There are chimes located throughout the facility. These will sound until an "All Clear" is called.
- Visual: There are wall-mounted strobe lights located throughout the facility. These will remain lit until an "All Clear" is called.

#### C. Communication:

Upon identification of any Code Red incident, a series of communication events will take place. These events integrate mechanical and human responses.

- Activation of any of our initial devices will be relayed to our outside monitoring company who will immediately contact Visalia fire dispatch for response of the initial firefighting units to the facility.
- Simultaneously, this activation of the fire alarm system will display the zone and location at the main enunciator panels located in PBX.
- 3. The PBX operator will read the signal from the enunciator board and page "Code Red" three times. The location, device, and zone will be communicated via the public address system with the volume booster engaged. An "All Clear" will be announced by the PBX operator, three times, after notification of "All Clear" by the Maintenance Personnel director or supervisor, or fire department. This same procedure will be followed on all shifts.
- 4. Our telephone system will be used for identification of a Code Red incident by dialing 44 at the

hospital.

- 5. During a Code Red incident the telephone system should be limited to emergency calls only.
- 6. An alternate communication system will be used upon loss of the public address system, phones, or radio. Should the Code Red incident take place on the first floor and require evacuation of the PBX staff, the PBX manager will order transfer of communication operations to the ER.

#### D. Fire Alarm Device Failure:

To ensure staff knowledge and awareness in the event of pull station or any fire alarm system failure.

- All employees, Guild members, or other staff that attempts to operate a manual fire alarm pull station should recognize that within seconds of pulling the handle on the pull station, audible and visual alarms will initiate.
- 2. Should the signaling devices (audible and visual) fail to initiate, the following protocol shall be used.
  - Alternate locations of fire alarm pull stations should be found. These alternate locations should be identified in the department-specific fire responses.
  - b. All exits have a fire alarm pull station
  - c. Communicate the exact location and any other incident specifics to PBX by dialing 44 at the nearest available phone after activating pull station.

#### III. CODE RED TEAM AND INCIDENT COMMAND STRUCTURE:

#### A. Code Red Command Center:

- A Code Red command center will be set up in the Physician's Lounge across from PBX. This center becomes the communication hub during a disaster and fire incident.
- First shift command center staffing will consist of the Maintenance Personnel supervisor, and fire department designee. Need for an administrative representative will be evaluated as necessary.
- The safety officer, when not at the fire location, will be stationed at the command center. All communication pertaining to extinguishment, evacuation or other emergency response will be transmitted from the command center to all necessary locations.
- The second and third shift command center will be set up in the Physician's Lounge with the arrival
  of the fire department, maintenance personnel, and safety officer.

#### B. Management of Smoke Transmission:

- Kaweah Delta Health Care District will require a fire alarm system that will limit the transfer of smoke. The buildings are equipped with a Fire Alarm System that addresses and accomplishes compartmentization of smoke by automatic controls.
- The Fire Alarm System provides for activation of smoke dampers upon initiation of all automatic device Priority I alarms.
- Documentation of the fire/smoke damper system is evidenced by life safety and mechanical drawings kept on file in the Maintenance department.

#### IV. CODE RED EMERGENCY RESPONSE:

#### A. First Responder Procedures in Fire Area:

The specific plan for each department specifies the details of actions to be undertaken by employees in the event of a fire in your area. In general, the person discovering the fire (employees) must immediately:

#### RACE

- Rescue REMOVE any persons in immediate danger.
- Alarm Communicate the presence of fire by immediately activating the nearest fire alarm pull station.
- Call, or designate someone to call the operator by dialing (Hospital Specific Number) to report the exact location and type of fire. If possible, have someone stay by the pull station to direct the Code Red responders to the site.
- Confine/Contain Close Doors, clear hallways. Equipment in hallways should be moved to inside unit/patient rooms with the door closed.
- Extinguish/Evacuate The fire should be extinguished if it is small and easily controllable by use of
  the fire extinguishers; however, all personnel in the fire area must evacuate the area as instructed in
  their fire response.

#### B. Recommended Actions for All Personnel including During a Fire Alarm:

Personnel should stay in the area in which they are at the time of the alarm. They should follow the
instructions of the person in charge of that area at the time. Personnel should not be transiting

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- All patient room doors are to be kept closed to aid in the evacuation; however, patient bathroom
  doors may be open. Any other door may ONLY be closed if it has been ascertained that NO
  PERSONS are in the room at the time of the alarm.
- DO NOT USE ELEVATORS. Use stairways only. Elevators are to be utilized only by the fire department.
- Personnel should attempt to reassure patients that the situation is under control and that they will be attended to throughout the event.
- Visitors already in the hospital should remain with the patient in their room unless instructed otherwise by the person in charge of the area.
- All visitors/vendors attempting to enter the hospital should be intercepted by an employee, and instructed to wait outside in the parking lot until the alarm is cleared.
- Telephones should not be used during a Code Red. The paging system and any telephone
  conversation deemed essential should be limited to fire directives and emergencies only.
- 8. All nonessential electrical equipment should be turned off.
- Guild members should remain in the area to which they are assigned and should follow the directions of the person in charge of that area.
- 10. All personnel should be prepared to follow their plan to evacuate their department upon orders from the person in charge as conditions warrant.

#### C. Code Red Response Procedures:

- Code Red members will vary according to shift, will respond immediately to the announced location
  of the fire and will be in charge of the situation until the fire department arrives.
- All available engineers, environmental service aides, security staff and nursing supervisor will report immediately to the fire location.
- 3. Maintenance personnel will determine the location and severity of the fire and smoke as well as assess the amount and spread of smoke, flame and area affected, spread patterns, and the extinguishing of the fire. This information will be continually transmitted to the command center.
- Security staff will provide foot traffic control and maintain egress availability at stairway entrance.
   Environmental services staff will report to the department head or charge nurse to assist in evacuation preparation.
- 5. Code Red responders will serve as supplemental staff necessary for horizontal evacuation. Horizontal evacuation preparation is mandatory, in all zones, pending determination of fire and/or smoke severity. If a call for vertical evacuation is determined necessary, the Code Red responders will assist in the evacuation.

#### D. Extinguishment of Fire:

Kaweah Delta Health Care District is equipped with portable fire extinguishers, kitchen hood extinguishing systems, and specific areas covered with a fire sprinkler system.

- Response to the Code Red includes use of portable fire extinguishers if the fire is containable as assessed by personnel on scene. All employees will be trained in use of portable extinguishers as part of their annual safety training.
- 2. Kitchen grill fires will be extinguished by an Ansul hood extinguishing system.
- Kaweah Delta Health Care District has a fire pump that serves a stand pipe system with hose cabinets located at each end of each floor. The fire pumps also backs up the areas that are served by sprinklers.
- 4. The Visalia Fire Department, with back up from Tulare County units, serves as responders to this facility. The Visalia Fire Department has stations located within a two-mile radius of Kaweah Delta Health Care District. This provides us with a response time, which is normally five minutes, or less. Our policy is to allow professional fire fighters to extinguish any fire assessed above a minor category, which allows hospital staff to concentrate on an organized and timely evacuation.

#### E. <u>Disabling the Fire Alarm System:</u>

- 1. Kaweah Delta Health Care District will protect its buildings against unauthorized disabling of fire alarm system. Maintenance personnel or the fire alarm vendor shall not disable any portion of the fire alarm system without securing approval of the Facilities Director, notification of the house supervisor, and local fire department when the system will be off line for more than ¼ hour. California Department of Public Health will be notified if the failure exceeds 4 hours. In the event the Director of Maintenance is not present, the house supervisor may substitute.
- 2. Fire watch shall be instituted in all areas where system is inactive. Fire watch staffing as follows:
  - a. Security All patient areas
  - b. Maintenance All non-patient areas

Security will be responsible to conduct a fire-watch if the failure exceeds 4 hours. All areas will be monitored each hour. Security will maintain documentation of the fire-watch.

#### V. EVACUATION PROCEDURES:

Kaweah Delta Health Care District recognizes the necessity for a timely and organized evacuation in the event of a verified Code Red situation. Evaluation of the Code Red as to the need for calling an internal disaster will be made by the safety director or the highest level administrative representative in-house, giving access to a personnel pool will be established at the first floor conference room.

#### A. <u>Departmental Evacuation:</u>

- All departments will evacuate following department-specific plans: first to horizontal zones, then
  vertical to east and west parking lot evacuation stations.
- All zones effected will evacuate in accordance with a horizontal strategy and, if necessary, a vertical
  evacuation.
  - Horizontal strategy is moving from smoke compartment of incident to adjacent smoke compartment.
  - b. Vertical evacuation is complete evacuation of the smoke compartment of incident and alarm to a lower floor or to north or south parking lot stations if determined necessary by safety officer, nursing supervisor, administrative representative or ordered by the fire department.
- Maintenance Personnel will use two way radios and cell phones for communication and coordination purposes.
- 4. All available ambulance companies will be notified by emergency room staff of the evacuation. The ambulances will be utilized for transporting patients to other area hospitals if determined necessary by administrative representative.

#### B. Patient Evacuation:

If the fire alarm sounds while transporting a patient from one department to another, the following procedures should be followed:

- 1. Evacuation while transporting patients via elevators
  - Fire announcement cannot be heard in elevators.
  - b. If the fire alarm is activated by a smoke detector located by elevator lobbies, all elevators will automatically go to the ground floor. If the fire is located on the ground floor, all elevators will automatically stop on the second floor.
  - c. When an elevator stops, the employee should exit with the patient and place the patient in the first safe area (room) available, close the door and remain with the patient until "All Clear" sounds or evacuation orders are given.
  - d. If any sensor other than those directly in front of the elevators activates the fire alarms, the elevator service will <u>not</u> be interrupted.
  - e. If employee exits, elevator and fire alarm is sounding, the employee should verify location of the fire, move the patient to the closest safe area (room) and remain with the patient until "All Clear" sounds or evacuation orders are given.

#### 2. Evacuation of patients while transporting via hallways or other common areas:

- a. If the fire alarm occurs while on the floor in transit, immediately move the patient to the closest safe area on that floor. The employee should remain with the patient until "All Clear" sounds or evacuation orders are given.
- b. If the patient and the transporter have not left the floor and the fire alarm sounds, return the patient to their room. The transporter will remain on the patient floor until "All Clear" sounds. If evacuation is required, the employee will remain on the floor and get further instructions from the floor supervisor/manager.

#### Triaging Patients:

- a. Emergency room physician will be in charge of the triage of patients.
- All available physicians and interns will evacuate with the patients to the parking lot in order to assist with triage of patients.
- c. Nurse managers/charge nurses from each nursing unit will assess their patients' condition and report any immediate need to the emergency room physician.
- d. Personnel from each nursing unit will remain with their assigned unit.
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#### VI. CODE RED TRAINING AND DRILLS:

#### A. Code Red Training:

The Maintenance Department is responsible for conducting fire drills. The organization, training, equipping and supervision of hospital personnel in response to a fire alarm is the responsibility of the Safety Officer.

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- a. The hospital shall hold unannounced fire drills quarterly on each shift, which shall be treated as a true fire as much as possible.
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- a. Initial training at the time of hire
- b. Once annually
- c. Districtwide life safety training is conducted annually. The Safety Department distributes training materials including post tests to verify competency.
  - (1) Verification of initial and annual training will be evidenced by a completion of training form, which will be sent to the safety directorin our electronic learning system.
  - (2) Verification of monthly department review will be evidenced by inclusion in the monthly department minutes.

#### B. Code Red Drills:

Kaweah Delta Health Care District will perform fire drills on a timely basis that educate and test all employees, Guild members, <u>Licensed Independent Practitioners</u> and other staff on proper Code Red response.

#### 1. Frequency of Drills:

A Code Red Drill shall be performed once per shift per quarter. The need for additional drills will be assessed by the Environment of Care Committee based on the effectiveness of previous drills and any life safety deficiencies identified and not corrected.

#### 2. Responsibility:

- a. The Director of Facilities Operations along with support and assistance from the Safety Officer, Environment of Care Committee, and Maintenance Department Manager will be responsible for performance of all Code Red Drills.
- All aspects of department plans will be followed but will not include actual evacuation, either horizontal or vertical.
- c. All department managers will complete or assign responsibility for completing a Code Red critique form. The Environment of Care Committee will critique the incident location and facility-wide response. Completed critique forms will follow the protocol ascribed to in the life safety plan.

#### 3. Fire Drill Procedures:

- Prior to initiating a Code Red Drill, notification of the impending drill will be made by the Maintenance staff, to PBX, monitoring company, and the Visalia Fire Department.
- b. The Code Red Drill will commence with a Maintenance staff mechanic either initiating an automatic fire alarm device or placing a red flashing beacon light, representing a fire, somewhere in the facility. All further actions taken will be subject to the Code Red critique policy.

#### 4. Code Red Critique:

- Kaweah Delta Health Care District requires that all Code Red Drills and incidents be monitored, and that staff response be evaluated for effectiveness of training.
- b. The Code Red critique form is divided into the following categories of evaluation.
  - (1) Notification
  - (2) Mechanical response
  - (3) Staff response
  - (4) Random sample (staff)
  - (5) Code Red response
  - (6) Overall evaluation and rating
- All questions must be answered.
- Corrective action must be taken and tracked for the Environment of Care Committee.
- e. Completed forms will be forwarded to the Safety Officer and Maintenance Manager.

- f. The Safety Officer will submit a quarterly report to the Environment of Care Committee on all Code Red critiques. The report will include required actions to be taken and any recommendations.
- g. When the need for additional training is identified by use of the Code Red critique, this training and education will become the responsibility of the department managers. Documentation of this additional training will be by:
  - (1) Department minutes
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ER and MH Providers are encouraged to wear/utilize the wireless transmitters and sign them out through ER or MH Administration.

#### Procedure:

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- 1. HR distributes wireless transmitters programmed with staff names to all ER staff upon hire.
- 2. GME distributes wireless transmitters to Residents/Students upon assignment to ER and/or Mental Health.
- 3. ER Providers sign out transmitters from the ER at the start of each shift and return them at the end of their shift.
- 4. Mental Health manages assignment of transmitters for employees and Medical Staff working at Mental Health Hospital.
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- 6. All transmitters are tested for functionality prior to issuance.
- 7. Lost transmitters- All Staff, Providers, Residents/Students may be charged \$80 replacement fee for lost transmitters. Each case will be dealt with on an individual basis and HR shall decide if the individual shall be charged this cost.

#### I. Monitoring:

- 1. ER Duress System Monitoring PC's are located:
  - a. PBX/Information Service Center (ER monitoring)
  - b. ER Security Desk (ER monitoring and programming)
  - c. ED Zone 1, 2 &3 (monitoring and programming)
  - d. Security office (monitoring and programming)
  - e. Human Resources administrative assistants (3) (ER monitoring and programming)
  - f. Graduate Medical Education (3) (programming only)
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  - a. East Wing Nurse Station (MH monitoring)
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  - d. MH Director (MH monitoring)
  - e. MH Director of Nursing (MH monitoring/programming)
  - fd. MH Nurse Managersgr. (MH monitoring)
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- 3. Upon activation of the duress alarm all above PC's automatically indicate the individual in distress (if the badge is programmed, extra transmitters are not programmed) and their specific location. MH transmitters are not programmed with names, so the MH computers do not indicate this.
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#### III. Clearing/Resetting the system:

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be found using tobacco products on KDHCD property, the incident should be reported to
the department manager.

- "Script" cards will be developed which can be given to employees, visitors or patient. If a family member chooses not to abide by the policy it is not the responsibility of the KDHCD employee to force the family member to discontinue smoking.
- Patients will not be permitted to smoke while under KDHCD's care, even with a physician order.
- KDHCD will assist with compliance by sponsoring smoking cessation programs and providing smoking cessation education materials.
- 8. Persistent non-compliance with this policy should be directed to the following personnel:
  - Medical Staff Vice President for Medical Affairs and Chief Medical Officer
  - KDHCD Staff Appropriate Director and Executive Team Member

#### C. Housekeeping Practices:

- EVS in conjunction with occupants of the respective areas must monitor all facilities to avoid the accumulation of empty boxes, trash, wet and/or oily rags or other flammables or combustibles.
- 2. Do not stack boxes within eighteen inches from the bottom of the sprinkler heads.
- Fire doors may not be wedged open or blocked with equipment. If a fire door does not have a mechanical hold open device installed, it is to remain in the closed position.
- 4. Wheeled equipment is permitted to be left unattended in the corridor for more than 30 minutes provided:
  - The equipment does not reduce the clear unobstructed corridor width to less than 5 feet.
  - The wheeled equipment is limited to equipment that is in use, medical emergency
    equipment not in use, and patient lift and transport equipment. Beds are not considered
    transport equipment or emergency medical equipment, so they are not allowed in
    corridors.

#### D. <u>Electrical Hazard Prevention</u>:

Electrical devices with frayed cords or wires and defective switches or plugs should be taken out of use, tagged with the defect, and reported to the appropriate department, Clinical Engineering or Maintenance Department.

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#### E. Flame Spread Ratings:

The responsibility of acquiring flame spread ratings and the acquisition of approved equipment will be vested in the Hospital Architect of record, Facilities Planning Director, Director of Facilities Operations and the Director of Materials Management.

- Kaweah Delta Health Care District shall maintain on file in the Safety Office flame spread ratings on covering/finishing materials used within the facility.
- These shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a. Carpet flame retardant
  - b. Wall coverings flame retardant
  - c. Drapes flame retardant
  - d. Waste baskets constructed of nonflammable material
  - e. Upholstery flame retardant
  - f. Bedding flame retardant
  - g. Decorations flame retardant
- 3. Material will not be purchased if material flame spread rating data is not available

#### II. FIRE IDENTFICATION:

Kaweah Delta Health Care District, Main Campus, is equipped with a Simplex 2120 Multiplex Fire and a Siemens Fire Finder XLS Alarm System. This system will identify, signal, and annunciate, upon activation of one of the initiation devices, any Code Red incidents. Employees will also be depended upon for quick, accurate detection and identification of fire.

#### A. <u>Initiation Devices:</u>

The Fire Alarm System provides the following means of initiating and identifying fire and smoke.

- Smoke Detectors There are smoke detectors located throughout the facility. Specific rooms and corridors are equipped with smoke detectors.
- <u>Duct Detectors</u> There are duct detectors installed on many of the District's air handlers. These are duct-mounted smoke detectors.
- Heat Detectors There are standard heat/thermo detectors located in the kitchen area, janitor closets
  and some mechanical areas. These detectors are combination rate of rise and set point operated.
- Flow Switches -There are flow switches which annunciate fire sprinkler zones. Department-specific
  fire responses identify any sprinkler zone that serves that department.
- Pull Stations There are manual pull stations located throughout the facility. There will be a pull station located at all stair and ground floor exits and at various other locations. Department-specific fire responses note the pull station for that area.
- Employees should report any odors of smoke or sighting of smoke to PBX Immediately by calling the code phone number 44 inside the main facility or 911 for all other locations.

#### B. Alarm Signaling:

Upon activation of any initiation device such as smoke detector or any device mentioned in "Fire Identification" section herein, an audible and visual alarm will activate.

- Audible Alarms: There are chimes located throughout the facility. These will sound until an "All Clear" is called.
- Visual: There are wall-mounted strobe lights located throughout the facility. These will remain lit until an "All Clear" is called.

#### C. Communication:

Upon identification of any Code Red incident, a series of communication events will take place. These events integrate mechanical and human responses.

- Activation of any of our initial devices will be relayed to our outside monitoring company who will immediately contact Visalia fire dispatch for response of the initial firefighting units to the facility.
- Simultaneously, this activation of the fire alarm system will display the zone and location at the main enunciator panels located in PBX.
- 3. The PBX operator will read the signal from the enunciator board and page "Code Red" three times. The location, device, and zone will be communicated via the public address system with the volume booster engaged. An "All Clear" will be announced by the PBX operator, three times, after notification of "All Clear" by the Maintenance Personnel director or supervisor, or fire department. This same procedure will be followed on all shifts.
- 4. Our telephone system will be used for identification of a Code Red incident by dialing 44 at the

hospital.

- 5. During a Code Red incident the telephone system should be limited to emergency calls only.
- 6. An alternate communication system will be used upon loss of the public address system, phones, or radio. Should the Code Red incident take place on the first floor and require evacuation of the PBX staff, the PBX manager will order transfer of communication operations to the ER.

#### D. Fire Alarm Device Failure:

To ensure staff knowledge and awareness in the event of pull station or any fire alarm system failure.

- All employees, Guild members, or other staff that attempts to operate a manual fire alarm pull station should recognize that within seconds of pulling the handle on the pull station, audible and visual alarms will initiate.
- 2. Should the signaling devices (audible and visual) fail to initiate, the following protocol shall be used.
  - Alternate locations of fire alarm pull stations should be found. These alternate locations should be identified in the department-specific fire responses.
  - b. All exits have a fire alarm pull station
  - c. Communicate the exact location and any other incident specifics to PBX by dialing 44 at the nearest available phone after activating pull station.

#### III. CODE RED TEAM AND INCIDENT COMMAND STRUCTURE:

#### A. Code Red Command Center:

- A Code Red command center will be set up in the Physician's Lounge across from PBX. This center becomes the communication hub during a disaster and fire incident.
- First shift command center staffing will consist of the Maintenance Personnel supervisor, and fire department designee. Need for an administrative representative will be evaluated as necessary.
- The safety officer, when not at the fire location, will be stationed at the command center. All communication pertaining to extinguishment, evacuation or other emergency response will be transmitted from the command center to all necessary locations.
- The second and third shift command center will be set up in the Physician's Lounge with the arrival
  of the fire department, maintenance personnel, and safety officer.

#### B. Management of Smoke Transmission:

- Kaweah Delta Health Care District will require a fire alarm system that will limit the transfer of smoke. The buildings are equipped with a Fire Alarm System that addresses and accomplishes compartmentization of smoke by automatic controls.
- The Fire Alarm System provides for activation of smoke dampers upon initiation of all automatic device Priority I alarms.
- Documentation of the fire/smoke damper system is evidenced by life safety and mechanical drawings kept on file in the Maintenance department.

#### IV. CODE RED EMERGENCY RESPONSE:

#### A. First Responder Procedures in Fire Area:

The specific plan for each department specifies the details of actions to be undertaken by employees in the event of a fire in your area. In general, the person discovering the fire (employees) must immediately:

#### RACE

- Rescue REMOVE any persons in immediate danger.
- Alarm Communicate the presence of fire by immediately activating the nearest fire alarm pull station.
- Call, or designate someone to call the operator by dialing (Hospital Specific Number) to report the
  exact location and type of fire. If possible, have someone stay by the pull station to direct the Code
  Red responders to the site.
- Confine/Contain Close Doors, clear hallways. Equipment in hallways should be moved to inside unit/patient rooms with the door closed.
- Extinguish/Evacuate The fire should be extinguished if it is small and easily controllable by use of
  the fire extinguishers; however, all personnel in the fire area must evacuate the area as instructed in
  their fire response.

#### B. Recommended Actions for All Personnel including During a Fire Alarm:

Personnel should stay in the area in which they are at the time of the alarm. They should follow the
instructions of the person in charge of that area at the time. Personnel should not be transiting

- through the corridors unless they have specific fire-related duties.
- All patient room doors are to be kept closed to aid in the evacuation; however, patient bathroom
  doors may be open. Any other door may ONLY be closed if it has been ascertained that NO
  PERSONS are in the room at the time of the alarm.
- DO NOT USE ELEVATORS. Use stairways only. Elevators are to be utilized only by the fire department.
- Personnel should attempt to reassure patients that the situation is under control and that they will be attended to throughout the event.
- Visitors already in the hospital should remain with the patient in their room unless instructed otherwise by the person in charge of the area.
- All visitors/vendors attempting to enter the hospital should be intercepted by an employee, and instructed to wait outside in the parking lot until the alarm is cleared.
- Telephones should not be used during a Code Red. The paging system and any telephone
  conversation deemed essential should be limited to fire directives and emergencies only.
- 8. All nonessential electrical equipment should be turned off.
- Guild members should remain in the area to which they are assigned and should follow the directions
  of the person in charge of that area.
- 10. All personnel should be prepared to follow their plan to evacuate their department upon orders from the person in charge as conditions warrant.

#### C. Code Red Response Procedures:

- Code Red members will vary according to shift, will respond immediately to the announced location
  of the fire and will be in charge of the situation until the fire department arrives.
- All available engineers, environmental service aides, security staff and nursing supervisor will report immediately to the fire location.
- Maintenance personnel will determine the location and severity of the fire and smoke as well as
  assess the amount and spread of smoke, flame and area affected, spread patterns, and the
  extinguishing of the fire. This information will be continually transmitted to the command center.
- Security staff will provide foot traffic control and maintain egress availability at stairway entrance.
   Environmental services staff will report to the department head or charge nurse to assist in evacuation preparation.
- 5. Code Red responders will serve as supplemental staff necessary for horizontal evacuation. Horizontal evacuation preparation is mandatory, in all zones, pending determination of fire and/or smoke severity. If a call for vertical evacuation is determined necessary, the Code Red responders will assist in the evacuation

#### D. Extinguishment of Fire:

Kaweah Delta Health Care District is equipped with portable fire extinguishers, kitchen hood extinguishing systems, and specific areas covered with a fire sprinkler system.

- Response to the Code Red includes use of portable fire extinguishers if the fire is containable as
  assessed by personnel on scene. All employees will be trained in use of portable extinguishers as part
  of their annual safety training.
- 2. Kitchen grill fires will be extinguished by an Ansul hood extinguishing system.
- Kaweah Delta Health Care District has a fire pump that serves a stand pipe system with hose cabinets located at each end of each floor. The fire pumps also backs up the areas that are served by sprinklers.
- 4. The Visalia Fire Department, with back up from Tulare County units, serves as responders to this facility. The Visalia Fire Department has stations located within a two-mile radius of Kaweah Delta Health Care District. This provides us with a response time, which is normally five minutes, or less. Our policy is to allow professional fire fighters to extinguish any fire assessed above a minor category, which allows hospital staff to concentrate on an organized and timely evacuation.

#### E. <u>Disabling the Fire Alarm System:</u>

- 1. Kaweah Delta Health Care District will protect its buildings against unauthorized disabling of fire alarm system. Maintenance personnel or the fire alarm vendor shall not disable any portion of the fire alarm system without securing approval of the Facilities Director, notification of the house supervisor, and local fire department when the system will be off line for more than ¼ hour. California Department of Public Health will be notified if the failure exceeds 4 hours. In the event the Director of Maintenance is not present, the house supervisor may substitute.
- 2. Fire watch shall be instituted in all areas where system is inactive. Fire watch staffing as follows:
  - a. Security All patient areas
  - Maintenance All non-patient areas

Security will be responsible to conduct a fire-watch if the failure exceeds 4 hours. All areas will be monitored each hour. Security will maintain documentation of the fire-watch.

#### V. EVACUATION PROCEDURES:

Kaweah Delta Health Care District recognizes the necessity for a timely and organized evacuation in the event of a verified Code Red situation. Evaluation of the Code Red as to the need for calling an internal disaster will be made by the safety director or the highest level administrative representative in-house, giving access to a personnel pool will be established at the first floor conference room.

#### A. <u>Departmental Evacuation:</u>

- All departments will evacuate following department-specific plans: first to horizontal zones, then
  vertical to east and west parking lot evacuation stations.
- All zones effected will evacuate in accordance with a horizontal strategy and, if necessary, a vertical evacuation.
  - Horizontal strategy is moving from smoke compartment of incident to adjacent smoke compartment.
  - b. Vertical evacuation is complete evacuation of the smoke compartment of incident and alarm to a lower floor or to north or south parking lot stations if determined necessary by safety officer, nursing supervisor, administrative representative or ordered by the fire department.
- Maintenance Personnel will use two way radios and cell phones for communication and coordination purposes.
- 4. All available ambulance companies will be notified by emergency room staff of the evacuation. The ambulances will be utilized for transporting patients to other area hospitals if determined necessary by administrative representative.

#### B. Patient Evacuation:

If the fire alarm sounds while transporting a patient from one department to another, the following procedures should be followed:

- 1. Evacuation while transporting patients via elevators
  - Fire announcement cannot be heard in elevators.
  - b. If the fire alarm is activated by a smoke detector located by elevator lobbies, all elevators will automatically go to the ground floor. If the fire is located on the ground floor, all elevators will automatically stop on the second floor.
  - c. When an elevator stops, the employee should exit with the patient and place the patient in the first safe area (room) available, close the door and remain with the patient until "All Clear" sounds or evacuation orders are given.
  - d. If any sensor other than those directly in front of the elevators activates the fire alarms, the elevator service will <u>not</u> be interrupted.
  - e. If employee exits, elevator and fire alarm is sounding, the employee should verify location of the fire, move the patient to the closest safe area (room) and remain with the patient until "All Clear" sounds or evacuation orders are given.

#### 2. Evacuation of patients while transporting via hallways or other common areas:

- a. If the fire alarm occurs while on the floor in transit, immediately move the patient to the closest safe area on that floor. The employee should remain with the patient until "All Clear" sounds or evacuation orders are given.
- b. If the patient and the transporter have not left the floor and the fire alarm sounds, return the patient to their room. The transporter will remain on the patient floor until "All Clear" sounds. If evacuation is required, the employee will remain on the floor and get further instructions from the floor supervisor/manager.

#### Triaging Patients:

- a. Emergency room physician will be in charge of the triage of patients.
- b. All available physicians and interns will evacuate with the patients to the parking lot in order to assist with triage of patients.
- c. Nurse managers/charge nurses from each nursing unit will assess their patients' condition and report any immediate need to the emergency room physician.
- d. Personnel from each nursing unit will remain with their assigned unit.
- Nurse managers/charge nurses will delegate patient care to their unit personnel and any additional non-nursing staff from other departments if necessary and available.

#### VI. CODE RED TRAINING AND DRILLS:

#### A. Code Red Training:

The Maintenance Department is responsible for conducting fire drills. The organization, training, equipping and supervision of hospital personnel in response to a fire alarm is the responsibility of the Safety Officer.

#### Fire Drills:

- a. The hospital shall hold unannounced fire drills quarterly on each shift, which shall be treated as a true fire as much as possible.
- b. Department managers or their designee shall complete a fire drill critique form and submit a copy to the safety office within twenty-four hours of each drill.

#### 2. Hospital Personnel:

All hospital personnel will be trained and periodically in-serviced on their department-specific fire response as well as the hospital-wide fire response in accordance with the following schedule.

- a. Initial training at the time of hire
- b. Once annually
- c. Districtwide life safety training is conducted annually. The Safety Department distributes training materials including post tests to verify competency.
  - Verification of initial and annual training will be evidenced by a completion of training form, which will be sent to the safety directorin our electronic learning system.
  - (2) Verification of monthly department review will be evidenced by inclusion in the monthly department minutes.

#### B. Code Red Drills:

Kaweah Delta Health Care District will perform fire drills on a timely basis that educate and test all employees, Guild members, <u>Licensed Independent Practitioners</u> and other staff on proper Code Red response.

#### Frequency of Drills:

A Code Red Drill shall be performed once per shift per quarter. The need for additional drills will be assessed by the Environment of Care Committee based on the effectiveness of previous drills and any life safety deficiencies identified and not corrected.

#### 2. Responsibility:

- a. The Director of Facilities Operations along with support and assistance from the Safety Officer, Environment of Care Committee, and Maintenance Department Manager will be responsible for performance of all Code Red Drills.
- All aspects of department plans will be followed but will not include actual evacuation, either horizontal or vertical.
- c. All department managers will complete or assign responsibility for completing a Code Red critique form. The Environment of Care Committee will critique the incident location and facility-wide response. Completed critique forms will follow the protocol ascribed to in the life safety plan.

#### 3. Fire Drill Procedures:

- Prior to initiating a Code Red Drill, notification of the impending drill will be made by the Maintenance staff, to PBX, monitoring company, and the Visalia Fire Department.
- b. The Code Red Drill will commence with a Maintenance staff mechanic either initiating an automatic fire alarm device or placing a red flashing beacon light, representing a fire, somewhere in the facility. All further actions taken will be subject to the Code Red critique policy.

#### 4. Code Red Critique:

- Kaweah Delta Health Care District requires that all Code Red Drills and incidents be monitored, and that staff response be evaluated for effectiveness of training.
- b. The Code Red critique form is divided into the following categories of evaluation.
  - (1) Notification
  - (2) Mechanical response
  - (3) Staff response
  - (4) Random sample (staff)
  - (5) Code Red response
  - (6) Overall evaluation and rating
- c. All questions must be answered.
- Corrective action must be taken and tracked for the Environment of Care Committee.
- e. Completed forms will be forwarded to the Safety Officer and Maintenance Manager.

- f. The Safety Officer will submit a quarterly report to the Environment of Care Committee on all Code Red critiques. The report will include required actions to be taken and any recommendations.
- g. When the need for additional training is identified by use of the Code Red critique, this training and education will become the responsibility of the department managers. Documentation of this additional training will be by:
  - (1) Department minutes
  - (2) Completed action plan
- The Environment of Care Committee will perform Monitoring and follow-up of actions taken for effectiveness.

"These guidelines, procedures, or policies herein do not represent the only medically or legally acceptable approach, but rather are presented with the recognition that acceptable approaches exist. Deviations under appropriate circumstances do not represent a breach of a medical standard of care. New knowledge, new techniques, clinical or research data, clinical experience, or clinical or bio-ethical circumstances may provide sound reasons for alternative approaches, even though they are not described in the document."

#### **RESOLUTION 2055**

WHEREAS, a claim on behalf of Thomas Roy Cisneros has been presented on October 23, 2019 to the Board of Directors of the Kaweah Delta Health Care District,

#### IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The aforementioned claim is hereby rejected.
- In accordance with Government Code Section 913, the Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby directed to give notice of rejection of said claim to Glenda de Guzman Esq., The Dunnion Law Firm, in the following form:

"Notice is hereby given that the claim which you presented to the Board of Directors of the Kaweah Delta Health Care District on October 23, 2019, was rejected by the Board of Directors on November 25, 2019."

#### **WARNING**

"Subject to certain exceptions, you have only six (6) months from the date this notice was personally delivered or deposited in the mail to file a court action on this claim. See Government Code Section 945.6.

You may seek the advice of an attorney of your choice in connection with this matter. If you desire to consult an attorney, you should do so immediately."

PASSED AND ADOPTED by unanimous vote of those present at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kaweah Delta Health Care District on November 25, 2019.

	President, Kaweah Delta Health Care District
ATTEST:	
Secretary/Treasurer, Kaweah Care District and of the Board Directors thereof	

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November 25, 2019

Sent via Certified Mail No. 70160340000002569166 Return Receipt Required

Glenda de Guzman Esq. THE DUNNION LAW FIRM 2711 Garden Road Monterey, CA 93940

RE: Notice of Rejection of Claim of Thomas Roy Cisneros vs. Kaweah Delta Health Care District

Notice is hereby given that the claim, which you presented to the Board of Directors of the Kaweah Delta Health Care District on October 23, 2019, was rejected on its merits by the Board of Directors on November 25, 2019

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Sincerely,

Nevin House Secretary/Treasurer, Board of Directors

cc: Richard Salinas, Attorney at Law





## American College of Surgeons National Surgical Quality Improvement Program

Dr. Mack – Surgeon Champion Kassie Waters BSN MPA CPHQ– Quality Improvement Manager Shaye Garrett – Data Analyst





## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

 ACS NSQIP is a data-driven, risk-adjusted, outcomes-based program to measure and improve the quality of surgical care.

- Benefits of participation include:
  - Identifying quality improvement targets
  - Improving patient care and outcomes
  - Decreasing institutional healthcare costs



## **NSQIP Semiannual Report Post Surgical Complications**

04/01/2018 - 03/31/2019

**ACS NSQIP Interim Semiannual Report: Site Summary** 

Kaweah Delta District Hospital

Site Number: 2258

#### All Cases

	Total	Observed		Pred	Expected	Odds	95% C.I.		0.4"	D!l.	Adjusted	Adjusted	A
	Cases	Events	Rate	Obs Rate**		Ratio	Lower	Upper	Outlier	Decile	Percentile	Quartile	Assessment*
ALLCASES Mortality	1400	11	0.79%	0.75%	0.72%	1.04	0.69	1.55		7	55	3	As Expected
ALLCASES Morbidity	1400	52	3.71%	3.79%	4.20%	0.89	0.69	1.16		4	36	2	As Expected
ALLCASES Cardiac	1400	8	0.57%	0.51%	0.42%	1.22	0.68	2.18		8	63	3	As Expected
ALLCASES Pneumonia	1398	2	0.14%	0.31%	0.53%	0.58	0.30	1.13		1	17	1	Exemplary
ALLCASES Unplanned Intubation	1399	6	0.43%	0.39%	0.36%	1.08	0.63	1.85		7	56	3	As Expected
ALLCASES Ventilator > 48 Hours	1399	7	0.50%	0.49%	0.46%	1.05	0.57	1.97		6	52	3	As Expected
ALLCASES VTE	1400	5	0.36%	0.47%	0.53%	0.89	0.57	1.38		3	37	2	As Expected
ALLCASES Renal Failure	1400	9	0.64%	0.44%	0.29%	1.55	0.88	2.72		10	81	4	Needs Improvement
ALLCASES UTI	1399	7	0.50%	0.62%	0.93%	0.67	0.39	1.16		2	23	1	Exemplary
ALLCASES SSI	1395	20	1.43%	1.45%	1.49%	0.97	0.66	1.43		5	46	2	As Expected
ALLCASES Sepsis	1370	7	0.51%	0.51%	0.50%	1.01	0.57	1.81		6	50	2	As Expected
ALLCASES C.diff Colitis	1400	3	0.21%	0.21%	0.21%	1.01	0.52	1.98		6	50	2	As Expected
ALLCASES ROR	1400	27	1.93%	1.76%	1.54%	1.15	0.84	1.57		8	68	3	As Expected
ALLCASES Readmission	1400	50	3.57%	3.65%	10/325	0.96	0.76	1.20		4	42	2	As Expected

## **NSQIP Semiannual Report Summary**

## **Analysis:**

- Pneumonia and Urinary Tract Infection complications are low and performance was noted as "Exemplary"
- Renal Failure complications were higher than expected and performance was noted as "Needs Improvement"
- All other quality metrics were "As Expected"

## **Actions/Next Steps:**

 Urology reviewed all renal failure cases at last NSQIP committee and noted no correlations.
 Recommendation is to involve urology earlier in cases.

## **Kaweah Medical Center**

# Enhanced Recovery After Surgery Improving Surgical Care & Recovery Program Registry





AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

Inspiring Quality: Highest Standards, Better Outcomes

## Comprehensive Program

**Goal**: Improving perioperative care that includes the principles of enhance recovery but also incorporates best practices to reduce:

- SSI
- VTE
- UTI
- Opioid use
- LOS

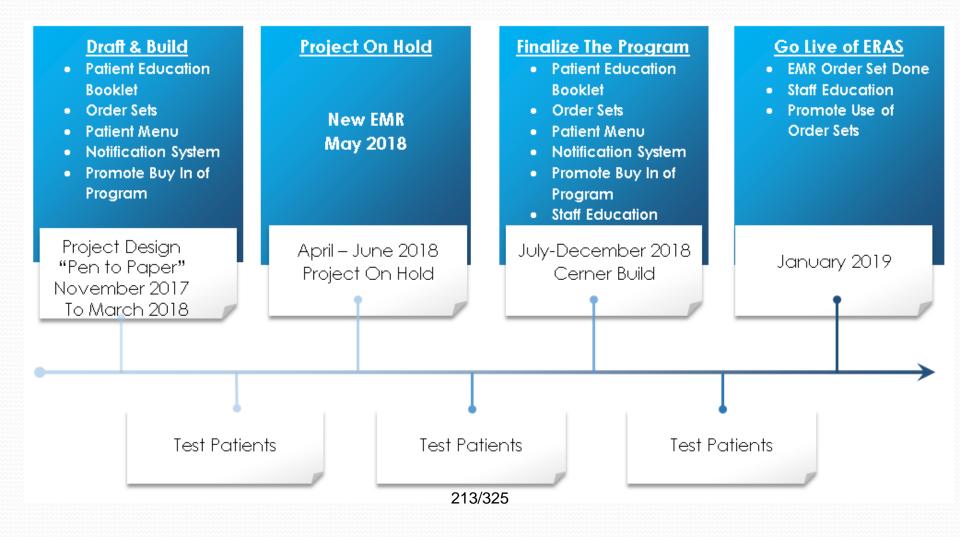
#### **Team Members – ERAS Colorectal Program**

- (1) ISCR project lead
- (2) Surgeon champion
- (3) Anesthesia champion
- (5) Senior executive
- (6) Unit champions
  3 North Med/Surgical
  ACS/PACU
  Surgery
  Dietary
- (7) Pharmacist
- (8) Health information technology (IT) specialist

Kassie Waters, Quality Manager Dr. Mack & Dr. Potts Dr. Tang Regina Sawyer, CNO Brian Piearcy, Director of Surgical Services Kari Knudsen, **Director of Post-Surgical** Services, Andrea Hodgkins, Nurse Manager, Leticia Quinn, Nurse Manager, Amanda Tercero, Nurse Manager, Kris Daugherty, Nutrition Manager, Ryann Jung, Registered Dietitian Blake Bartlett, Pharmacist-IT, & Kelly Mendoza, Pharmacist Kurtis Stutsman, Clinical Content, IT

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## Colorectal ERAS Project Timeline



# Johns Hopkins Site Visit October 8, 2019 Enhanced Recovery After Surgery





Four Johns Hopkins representatives met with individual team members all day and reviewed:

- Current state of program
- Implementation successes and barriers
- Best practices seen at other hospitals

## **Findings:**

- Excellent teamwork and alignment
- High level of support of the program
- Timeline of implementation on track with other hospitals
- Great program outcomes

## **Suggested Next Steps:**



## **Enhanced Recovery after Surgery Dashboard January – August 2019 (Total 37 Elective Cases)**

#### Process Measures Done In 24 Hours Postop

## Multi-modal Pain Management

35/37=94%

ISCR Group Performance=80%

## Postop Intake Liquids 32/37=86%

ISCR Group Performance=80% Postop VTE Prophylaxis 26/37=70%

ISCR Group Performance=86%

## Postop Mobilization 28/37=75%

ISCR Group Performance=67%

### Foley Removal

31/37=83%

ISCR Group Performance=95%

#### Outcome Measures

### UTI Postop 30 Days

0/37=0%

2018 Baseline=0% ISCR Group Performance=1.87%

### VTE Postop 30 Days

0/37=0%

2018 Baseline=2.56% ISCR Group Performance= 1.5%

### Average LOS

4.11

ISCR Group Performance= 6.23

#### SSI Postop 30 Days

1/37=2.7%

2018 Baseline=10.53% ISCR Group Performance=8.45%

#### Readmission Postop 30 Days

1/37=2.7%

2018 Baseline=15.38% ISCR Group Performance=9.88

## Return of Bowel Function (days)

1.72

ISCR Group Performance = 2.04

## **Enhanced Recovery After Surgery Dashboard**

## **Analysis:**

- Postop VTE prophylaxis has the lowest compliance rate. Reasons for non-compliance include: patient refusal, held for procedure, ordered late, not ordered, and ordered but given on POD 2.
- Postop Mobilization was the second to the lowest compliance rate. Noted these patients were mobilized late in the afternoon on POD 1, but not within 24 hours of surgery stop time.
- All outcome measures are performing well compared to baseline and ISCR Group Performance.

## **Actions/Next Steps:**

- Postop VTE prophylaxis Establish concurrent case reviews with providers when opportunities for improvement are identified. Also, meet with pharmacy and review cases when lovenox is canceled and if contraindications were noted.
- Postop Mobilization Most fallouts were due to ambulating late in the evening on POD 1. Provide staff education and feedback.

# **ERAS Projects**

## NSQIP Committee Oversite of ERAS Teams (meet quarterly)

- Enhanced Recovery After Surgery Workgroup Teams (meet monthly)
  - Elective Colorectal Project completed Continue to monitor
  - In-Patient Colorectal New team
     Team Lead: Surgical Resident project
  - Orthopedic New Team
     Team Lead: Megan Goddard, Nurse Practitioner
  - GYN New Team
     Team Lead: Dr. Sabogal



## Kaweah Delta Health Care District Cleveland Clinic Affiliation Report to the Board of Directors

#### **Executive Summary**

November 25, 2019

Barry Royce, MHA, RN 624-4919 Regina Sawyer, DNP, RN 624-2836

#### **Strategic Session:**

• We completed our Strategic Planning Session on June 1<sup>st</sup>. We have finalized review of the Draft and have sent this back for the final version to be created.

#### Quality:

- Cleveland Clinic (CC) reviews our data, which we submit to a National Data Base and compares it to their data and like CC Affiliates. This data can then be used to identify trends and areas for improvement.
- They additionally have meetings quarterly with Cardiovascular Operating Room (CVOR) and Cath Lab Medical Staff to discuss outcomes, data, and opportunities for improvement. To date we have had 2 meetings with the surgical group and one with the Cardiology group.
- At this time there is also review with physician leadership of items that are on the strategic plan to evaluate progress of monthly meetings.

#### **Program Development Initiatives:**

- We requested staffing analysis, efficiency analysis, and financial review analysis. The financial analysis is still pending scheduling, but:
  - Cath Lab site review was completed in October
  - o CVOR review will be completed on November 13<sup>th</sup>
  - Electro-physiology will be completed in January 2020

After these are completed we will look into the financial review to see if we are billing for everything we can.

- CC has been assisting us further with our desire to have a Same Day Discharge of patients who
  receive a Stent, Pacemaker, or Internal Cardiac Defibrillator (ICD). This has helped decrease our
  utilization of hospital beds for these patients and increased our capacity for other patients. This
  process went live on August 1<sup>st</sup>. Prior to go-live we had discharged 7 such patients in the previous
  12 months.
  - We have had 25 patients discharged in the past 3 months since go-live. We have additional work to do, but feel we can get can likely double this number with additional focus. Each of these patients we discharge frees up a patient bed at a savings of (\$30/hour for Observation) and adds the potential opportunity to admit another patient or not hold that patient in the Emergency Department. These patients do not qualify for

Observation Status and as such there is no additional billing, beyond their procedure we can do. These patients occupy a bed for 16 - 20 hours.

- They have been assisting with establishing and implementing a process for us to change to Same Day Admit for our Cardiac Surgery cases. This will immediately decrease our Length of Stay (LOS) for these cases by (1) day. This process was set to go live in mid-October.
  - Process on hold until Dr. Carrizo arrives
- We have redesigned our Block Schedule to improve our inpatient Cath Lab access. This process
  has decreased our weekend call back and Length of Stay (LOS) of our Acute Myocardial Infarction
  (AMI) patients.
  - Our LOS has decreased by (0.66) days, since go-live, in the most recent quarter as compared to the previous 6 quarters. Annual admission volumes for this type of patient is 1200. This gives us a potential of 792 patients bed days, at a cost of \$4,340/day (per Finance for AMI patients).
  - Our call back, for Cath Lab staff has also decreased by (89) hours per pay period, at a rate of (\$67.5/hr.), for a savings of (\$6,007/pay period).
- New documentation tool has been implemented to improve documentation of device insertion criteria. This will help with compliance.
  - We have additional progress to be made, but we have improved from 19% to 52%
- Working on Cath Lab turn over time. There are three aspects to this: 1) End of procedure to time patient leaves the room; 2) Time once patient has left the room, to the time the room is cleaned and a new patient enters the room (Wheels out to Wheels in); 3) Time from patient entering the room until patient is ready for procedure to begin. The first component that staff will be working on is prep time of the patient once they have entered the room.

#### **Financials:**

- Completed contracts with vendors has potential expected savings of \$1.25 \$1.5 million. Range is based upon the compliance we can achieve with Cardiologists.
  - Since implementation of renegotiated contract we have realized a savings of \$231,046 in FY20 Q1 – for annualized savings of \$924,184 annually
- Block Schedule Savings
  - o LOS \$4,340/day for 792 days \$3,437,280 annually
  - o Decreased Call Back hours \$6,007/pay period or \$156,195 annually
- Same Day Discharge
- Currently at 25 patients/quarter at a savings of \$30/hour for an average of 18 hours is a saving of \$13,500/quarter or \$54,000/year, with a potential to double this amount.

#### Marketing:

Outcome booklet revisions are completed. Cleveland Clinic will be out in January to present this
to the community Primary Care Providers (PCP) along with a Grand Rounds educational session
with Dr. Soltesz.

#### **Second Opinions:**

• We continue to have access to second opinions from CC. Utilization of this varies.

Zone III Resignation

December 31, 2019

# NEXT STEPS

# Decision by KDHCD Board - next steps

## **APPOINTMENT**

- Appointment by KDHCD Board within 60 days of the effective date of the vacancy <u>SATURDAY</u>
   FEBRUARY 29, 2020
- Notice of the vacancy shall be posted in 3 or more conspicuous places in the district at least 15 days before the appointment is made.

# Call an Election

- Call an election within 60 days of vacancy. {February 29, 2020}
- Election shall be held on the next established election date that is scheduled 130 or more days after the date the Board calls the election.

# CALL AN ELECTION

Election shall be held on the next established election date that is scheduled 130 or more days after the date the Board calls the election.

Date election is called {within 60 days of vacancy}	Next election 130+ days after the date the Board calls the election
130 days or more after the date the district	November 3, 2020
board calls the election	
Vacancy Date {12/31/19}	

Board appointment by Saturday February 29, 2020 (60 days after effective date of the vacancy) Person appointed will hold seat until zone is up for election {November 2020}

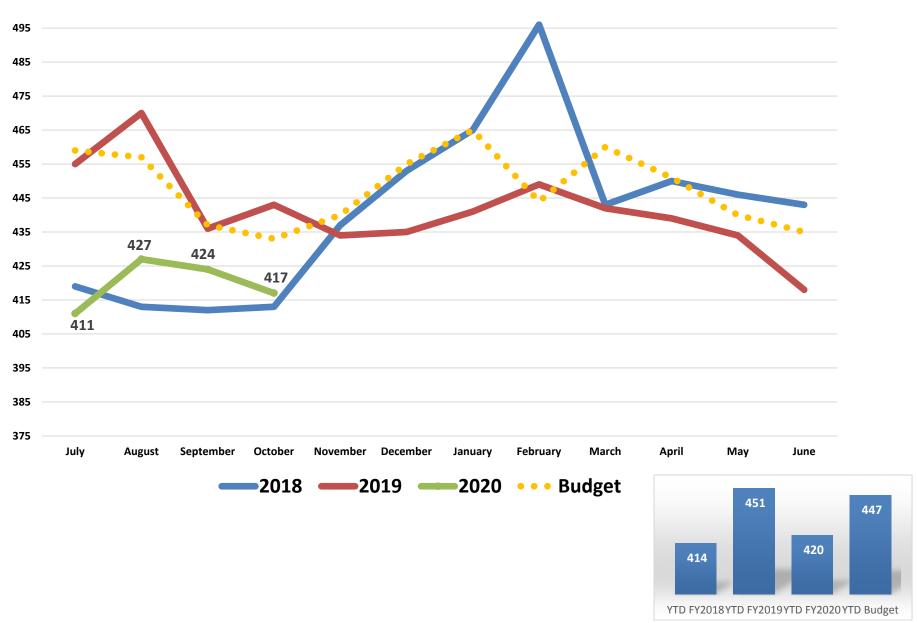
Seat will be for a four year term following the November 2020 election.

If the vacancy is not filled or an election called by the KDHCD Board within 60 days:

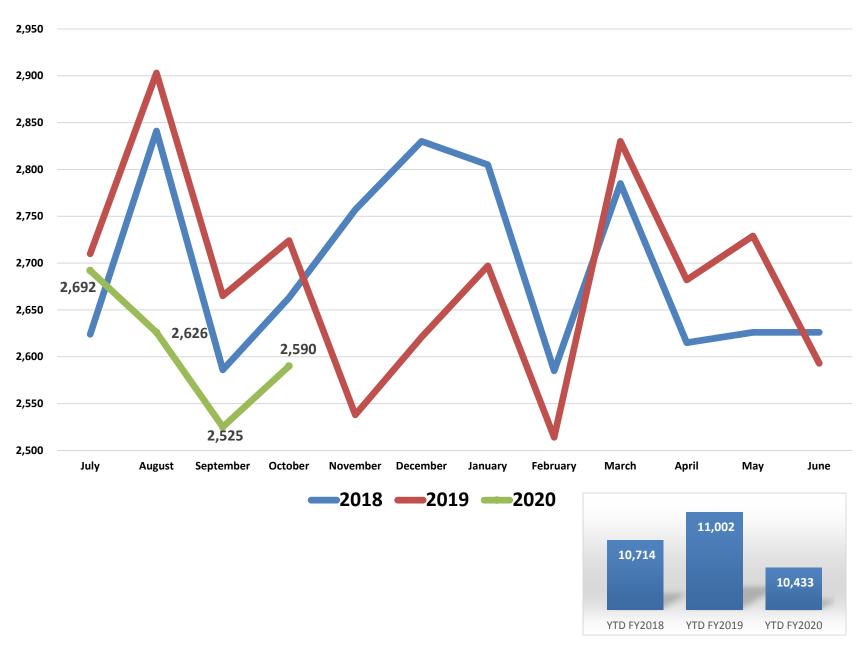
- The Board of Supervisors may appoint a person to fill the vacancy within 90 days of the vacancy. {March 30, 2020}
- The Board of Supervisors may order the District to call an election to fill the vacancy.



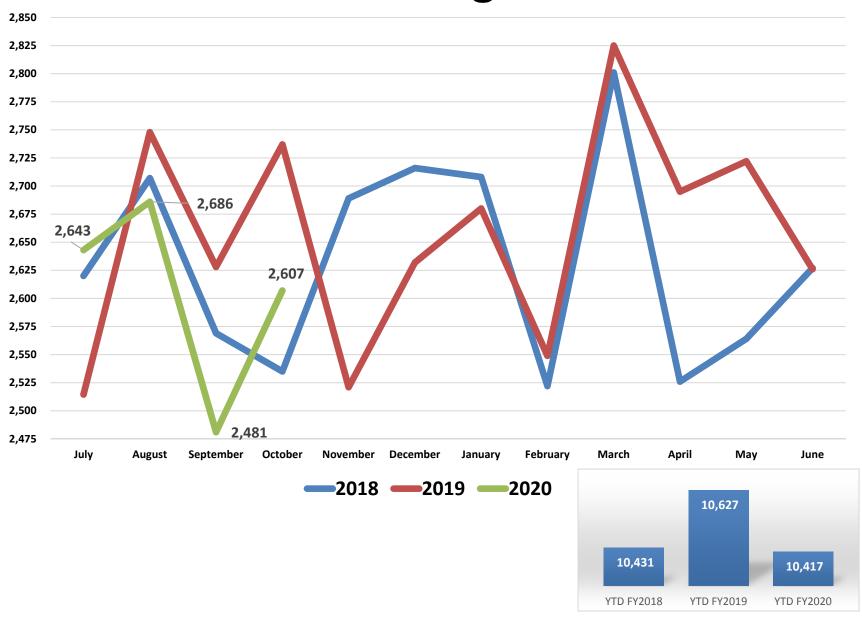
# **Average Daily Census**



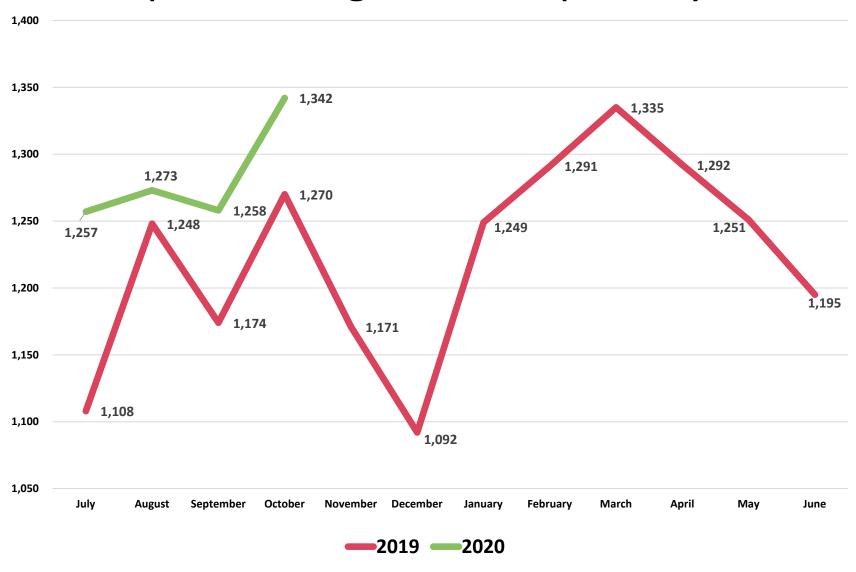
# Admissions



# Discharges



# Outpatient Registrations per Day



## **Statistical Results – Fiscal Year Comparison (October)**

	Α	ctual Resul	lts	Budget	Budget '	Variance	
	Oct 2018	Oct 2019	% Change	Oct 2019	Change	% Change	
Average Daily Census	443	417	(6.0%)	433	(16)	(3.8%)	
KDHCD Patient Days:							
Medical Center	8,864	8,080	(8.8%)	8,356	(276)	(3.3%)	
Acute I/P Psych	1,522	1,445	(5.1%)	1,478	(33)	(2.2%)	
Sub-Acute	941	912	(3.1%)	955	(43)	(4.5%)	
Rehab	549	550	0.2%	638	(88)	(13.8%)	
TCS-Ortho	374	447	19.5%	402	45	11.2%	
TCS	424	578	36.3%	525	53	10.1%	
NICU	497	393	(20.9%)	457	(64)	(14.0%)	
Nursery	573	519	(9.4%)	619	(100)	(16.2%)	
Total KDHCD Patient Days	13,744	12,924	(6.0%)	13,430	(506)	(3.8%)	
<b>Total Outpatient Volume</b>	39,370	41,602	5.7%	41,772	(170)	(0.4%)	

## **Statistical Results – Fiscal Year Comparison (Jul-Oct)**

	Α	ctual Resul	ts	Budget	Budget '	Variance
	FYTD 2019	FYTD 2020	% Change	FYTD 2020	Change	% Change
Average Daily Census	451	420	(6.9%)	447	(27)	(6.1%)
KDHCD Patient Days:						
Medical Center	35,567	32,529	(8.5%)	34,835	(2,306)	(6.6%)
Acute I/P Psych	5,897	5,752	(2.5%)	5,864	(112)	(1.9%)
Sub-Acute	3,788	3,646	(3.7%)	3,795	(149)	(3.9%)
Rehab	2,396	2,071	(13.6%)	2,489	(418)	(16.8%)
TCS-Ortho	1,443	1,755	21.6%	1,603	152	9.5%
TCS	1,853	1,889	1.9%	2,080	(191)	(9.2%)
NICU	2,113	1,777	(15.9%)	1,824	(47)	(2.6%)
Nursery	2,404	2,201	(8.4%)	2,459	(258)	(10.5%)
Total KDHCD Patient Days	55,461	51,620	(6.9%)	54,949	(3,329)	(6.1%)
Total Outpatient Volume	147,626	157,772	6.9%	156,631	1,141	0.7%

## **Other Statistical Results – Fiscal Year Comparison (October)**

		Actual R	esults		Budget	Budget	Variance
	Oct 2018	Oct 2019	Change	% Change	Oct 2019	Change	% Change
Adjusted Patient Days	25,579	26,070	491	1.9%	26,311	(241)	(0.9%)
Outpatient Visits	39,370	41,602	2,232	5.7%	41,772	(170)	(0.4%)
Urgent Care - Demaree	1,422	1,951	529	37.2%	1,744	207	10.6%
Endoscopy Procedures (I/P & O/P)	544	722	178	32.7%	544	178	24.7%
Home Health Visits	2,548	2,900	352	13.8%	2,850	50	1.7%
KDMF RVU	34,543	38,227	3,684	10.7%	37,008	1,219	3.2%
Hospice Days	3,247	3,552	305	9.4%	3,328	224	6.3%
Physical & Other Therapy Units	17,537	18,557	1,020	5.8%	18,106	451	2.4%
Radiation Oncology Treatments (I/P & O/P)	2,202	2,319	117	5.3%	2,035	284	12.2%
Cath Lab Minutes (IP & OP)	377	397	20	5.3%	394	3	0.8%
ED Visit	6,776	7,117	341	5.0%	7,793	(676)	(9.5%)
GME Clinic visits	1,094	1,140	46	4.2%	1,240	(100)	(8.8%)
Dialysis Treatments	1,918	1,900	(18)	(0.9%)	1,809	91	4.8%
Radiology/CT/US/MRI Proc (I/P & O/P)	15,690	15,451	(239)	(1.5%)	15,343	108	0.7%
O/P Rehab Units	21,167	20,830	(337)	(1.6%)	22,868	(2,038)	(9.8%)
Home Infusion Days	11,853	11,633	(220)	(1.9%)	11,939	(306)	(2.6%)
Surgery Minutes – General & Robotic (I/P & O/P)	1,205	1,110	(95)	(7.9%)	1,253	(143)	(12.9%)
OB Deliveries	431	385	(46)	(10.7%)	424	(39)	(10.1%)
Urgent Care - Court	4,096	3,529	(567)	(13.8%)	4,329	(800)	(22.7%)

## **Other Statistical Results – Fiscal Year Comparison (Jul-Oct)**

		Actual	Results		Budget	Budget	Variance
	FY 2019	FY 2020	Change	% Change	FY 2020	Change	% Change
Adjusted Patient Days	104,254	103,166	(1,088)	(1.0%)	106,239	(3,073)	(2.9%)
Outpatient Visits	147,626	157,772	10,146	6.9%	156,631	141	0.7%
Urgent Care - Demaree	3,384	7,150	3,766	111.3%	6,283	867	13.8%
Cath Lab Minutes (IP & OP)	1,082	1,493	411	38.0%	1,571	(78)	(5.0%)
Endoscopy Procedures (I/P & O/P)	1,996	2,468	472	23.6%	1,996	472	23.6%
Home Health Visits	9,704	11,582	1,878	19.4%	10,441	1,141	10.9%
KDMF RVU	117,025	132,588	15,563	13.3%	131,613	975	0.7%
Radiation Oncology Treatments (I/P & O/P)	7,883	8,645	762	9.7%	8,140	505	6.2%
Hospice Days	12,991	13,783	792	6.1%	13,315	468	3.5%
GME Clinic visits	4,069	4,267	198	4.9%	4,920	(653)	(13.3%)
Surgery Minutes – General & Robotic (I/P & O/P)	4,100	4,224	124	3.0%	4,759	(535)	(11.2%)
Radiology/CT/US/MRI Proc (I/P & O/P)	60,071	61,575	1,504	2.5%	61,368	207	0.3%
Physical & Other Therapy Units	71,155	72,633	1,478	2.1%	73,758	(1,125)	(1.5%)
ED Visit	29,090	29,610	520	1.8%	30,079	(469)	(1.6%)
Dialysis Treatments	7,658	7,745	87	1.1%	7,223	522	7.2%
O/P Rehab Units	79,774	79,937	163	0.2%	85,124	(5,187)	(6.1%)
Home Infusion Days	46,052	43,897	(2,155)	(4.7%)	45,161	(1,264)	(2.8%)
OB Deliveries	1,733	1,604	(129)	(7.4%)	1,696	(92)	(5.4%)
Urgent Care - Court	16,864	13,629	(3,235)	(19.2%)	15,850	(2,221)	(14.0%)

October Financial Comparison (000's)

	A	ctual Resu	ılts	Budget	Budget	Variance	
	Oct 2018	Oct 2019	% Change	Oct 2019	Change	% Change	Explanation
Operating Revenue							
Net Patient Service Revenue	48,768	52,165	7.0%	52,395	(\$230)	(0.4%)	
Supplemental Gov't Programs	3,470	4,185	20.6%	4,319	(134)	(3.1%)	
Prime Program	997	905	(9.2%)	905	0	0.0%	
Premium Revenue	2,899	3,649	25.9%	3,498	151	4.3%	
Management Services Revenue	2,802	3,014	7.6%	2,818	196	7.0%	
Other Revenue	1,476	2,142	45.1%	1,831	311	17.0%	See highlights slide
Other Operating Revenue	11,644	13,896	19.3%	13,372	524	3.9%	
<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	60,413	66,061	9.3%	65,767	294	0.4%	
Operating Expenses							
Salaries & Wages	24,578	25,747	4.8%	25,657	90	0.3%	
Contract Labor	1,580	1,044	(33.9%)	303	741	244.8%	
Employee Benefits	6,691	6,755	1.0%	6,172	583	9.5%	
Total Employment Expenses	32,849	33,546	2.1%	32,132	1,415	4.4%	
Total Employment Expenses	02,040	00,040	2.170	02,102	1,410	7.770	
Medical & Other Supplies	9,867	10,551	6.9%	9,584	967	10.1%	See highlights slide
Physician Fees	7,145	8,287	16.0%	7,926	361	4.6%	See highlights slide
Purchased Services	2,448	3,467	41.7%	2,891	576	19.9%	See highlights slide
Repairs & Maintenance	2,191	2,399	9.5%	2,242	157	7.0%	
Utilities	567	603	6.4%	508	95	18.7%	
Rents & Leases	424	464	9.5%	531	(67)	(12.7%)	
Depreciation & Amortization	2,574	2,488	(3.3%)	2,563	(75)	(2.9%)	
Interest Expense	463	440	(4.9%)	524	(83)	(15.9%)	
Other Expense	1,574	1,609	2.2%	1,797	(188)	(10.5%)	
Management Services Expense	2,825	3,006	6.4%	2,774	233	8.4%	
Total Operating Expenses	62,927	66,862	6.3%	63,471	3,390	5.3%	
Operating Margin	(\$2,514)	(\$801)	68.2%	\$2,296	(\$3,097)	(134.9%)	
Nonoperating Revenue (Loss)	345	774	124.3%	670	103	15.4%	
Excess Margin	(\$2,169)	(\$27)	(98.8%)	\$2,966	(\$2,994)	(100.9%)	

Operating Margin %	(4.2%)	(1.2%)	3.5%
Excess Margin %	(3.6%)	(0.0%)	4.5%

## YTD Financial Comparison (000's)

	Actual	Results FYTD	Jul-Oct	Budget FYTD		Variance ′TD
	FYTD2019	FYTD2020	% Change	FYTD2020	Change	% Change
Operating Revenue						
Net Patient Service Revenue	196,650	202,392	2.9%	204,098	(\$1,706)	(0.8%)
Supplemental Gov't Programs	13,881	17,009	22.5%	17,277	(268)	(1.5%)
Prime Program	3,988	4,462	11.9%	3,621	841	23.2%
Premium Revenue	12,042	15,306	27.1%	13,992	1,315	9.4%
Management Services Revenue	10,126	11,160	10.2%	10,732	427	4.0%
Other Revenue	6,095	7,692	26.2%	7,190	502	7.0%
Other Operating Revenue	46,133	55,629	20.6%	52,812	2,818	5.3%
<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	242,783	258,021	6.3%	256,910	1,111	0.4%
Operating Expenses						
Salaries & Wages	95,513	101,001	5.7%	101,942	(941)	(0.9%)
Contract Labor	5,146	4,143	(19.5%)	1,234	2,909	235.7%
Employee Benefits	23,775	26,239		24,494	1,745	7.1%
Total Employment Expenses	124,433	131,384	5.6%	127,670	3,713	2.9%
Medical & Other Supplies	38,938	37,792	(2.9%)	37,348	444	1.2%
Physician Fees	27,637	30,323	9.7%	31,720	(1,397)	(4.4%)
Purchased Services	10,922	15,010	37.4%	11,464	3,546	30.9%
Repairs & Maintenance	8,584	8,465	(1.4%)	8,958	(492)	(5.5%)
Utilities	2,260	2,279	0.8%	2,016	263	13.1%
Rents & Leases	2,073	2,053	(0.9%)	2,124	(71)	(3.4%)
Depreciation & Amortization	10,018	10,011	(0.1%)	9,899	112	1.1%
Interest Expense	1,788	1,771	(0.9%)	2,095	(324)	(15.5%)
Other Expense	6,508	6,328	(2.8%)	7,130	(802)	(11.3%)
Management Services Expense	9,956	10,922	9.7%	10,562	361	3.4%
Total Operating Expenses	243,116	256,338	5.4%	250,986	5,352	2.1%
Operating Margin	(\$333)	\$1,683	605.6%	\$5,924	(\$4,241)	(71.6%)
Nonoperating Revenue (Loss)	2,173	6,609	204.1%	2,663	3,946	148.2%
Excess Margin	\$1,840	\$8,292	350.6%	\$8,587	(\$295)	(3.4%)

Operating Margin %	(0.1%)	0.7%	2.3%
Excess Margin %	0.8%	3.1%	3.3%

# **Kaweah Delta Medical Foundation Fiscal Year Financial Comparison (000's)**

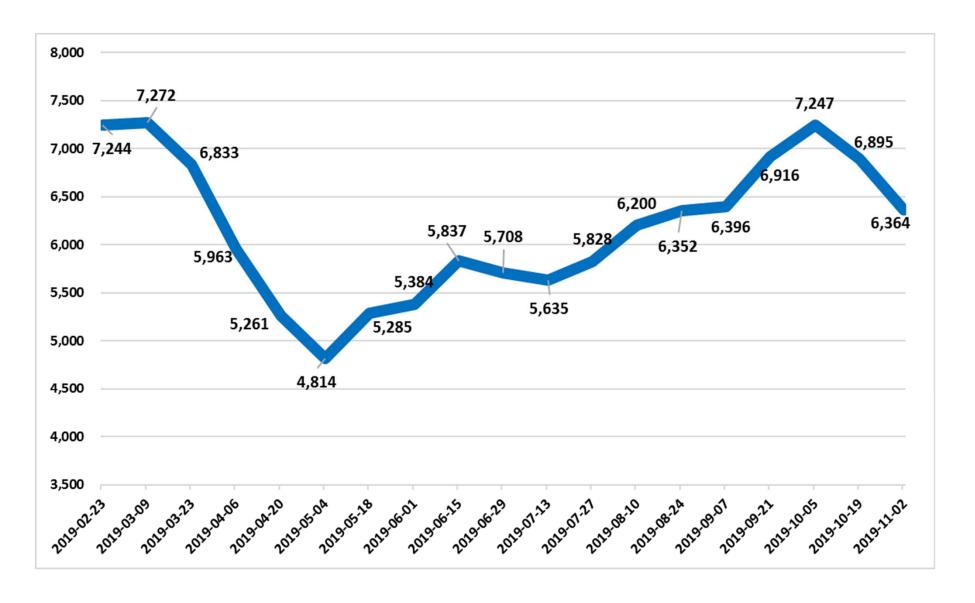
	Actual R	esults FYTD (	October	Budget FYTD	Budget V FY1	
	Jul - Oct 2018	Jul - Oct 2019	% Change	Jul – Oct 2019	Change	% Change
Operating Revenue						
Net Patient Service Revenue	\$14,265	\$15,127	6.0%	\$15,706	(\$579)	(3.7%)
Other Operating Revenue	116	70	(39.6%)	212	(142)	(67.0%)
Total Operating Revenue	14,381	15,197	5.7%	15,918	(721)	(4.5%)
Operating Expenses						
Salaries & Wages	3,756	3,869	3.0%	4,077	(208)	(5.1%)
Contract Labor	37	37	(0.5%)	0	37	0.0%
Employee Benefits	928	1,028	10.8%	971	57	5.9%
Total Employment Expenses	4,721	4,933	4.5%	5,047	(114)	(2.3%)
Medical & Other Supplies	1,986	2,142	7.9%	2,074	68	3.3%
Physician Fees	7,106	8,143	14.6%	8,658	(515)	(5.9%)
Purchased Services	391	443	13.3%	217	226	104.3%
Repairs & Maintenance	659	631	(4.3%)	875	(244)	(27.9%)
Utilities	171	143	(16.2%)	141	2	1.2%
Rents & Leases	904	858	(5.1%)	956	(99)	(10.3%)
Depreciation & Amortization	395	422	6.9%	352	70	20.0%
Interest Expense	9	5	(47.0%)	8	(3)	(39.9%)
Other Expense	630	580	(8.0%)	615	(35)	(5.7%)
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	16,972	18,300	7.8%	18,943	(643)	(3.4%)
Excess Margin	(\$2,591)	(\$3,103)	(19.8%)	(\$3,025)	(\$78)	(2.6%)
Excess Margin %	(18.0%)	(20.4%)		(19.0%)		

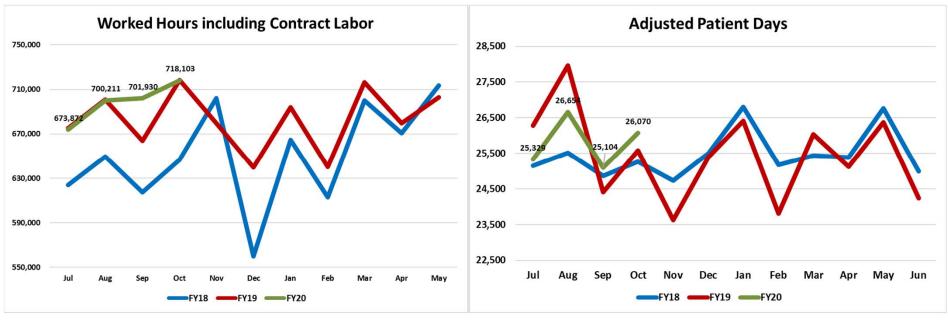
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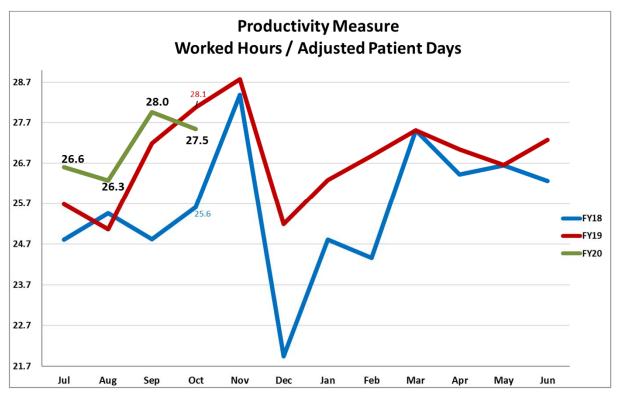
## October

- 1. Other Income, Quail Park distribution received and retail pharmacy exceeded budget
- 2. Operating Expenses, Medical and other supplies: Increase over budget due to
  - a. Purchases of flu vaccine \$229K
  - b. Increase in COGS due to increase in surgical procedures and TAVR procedures -\$376K
- 3. Operating Expenses, Physician fees: Increase over budget by \$361K due to
  - a. Reconciliation of Pediatric Hospitalist contract Year 2 \$686K (Locums)
  - b. Offset by volume decreases, higher professional collections and contract changes
- 4. Operating Expenses, Purchased services: increase over budget due to
  - a. Collections fees -\$80K, IT services \$170K, and HIM services \$65K
  - b. Press Ganey and recruitment fees \$73K
  - c. Humana third party expenses \$131K over budget in Oct and over \$2.1M YTD. Premium revenue over budget \$1.3M YTD
- 5. Cash and Days Cash on Hand: \$6.5M sent to the State for PRIME IGT 10/23/19 returned \$13.1M in November

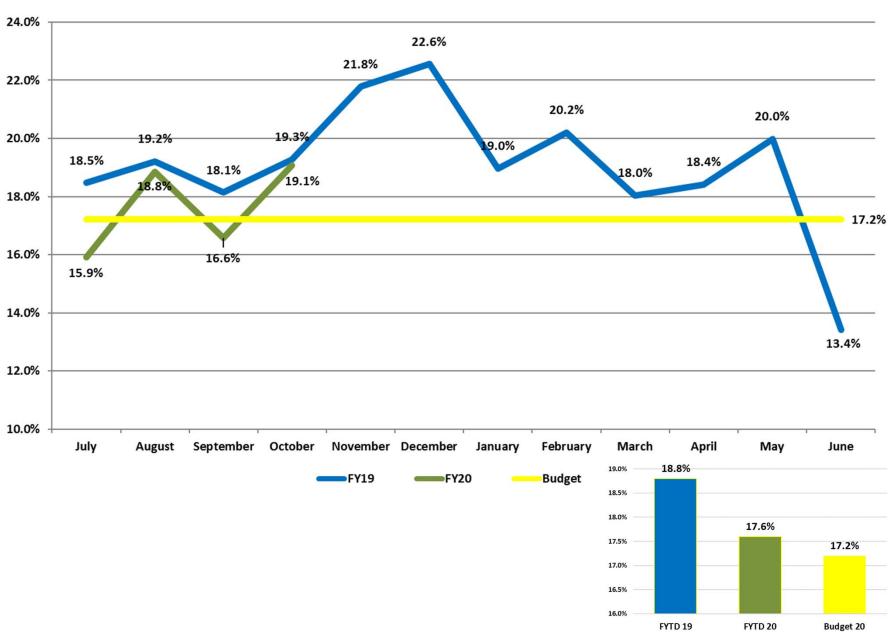
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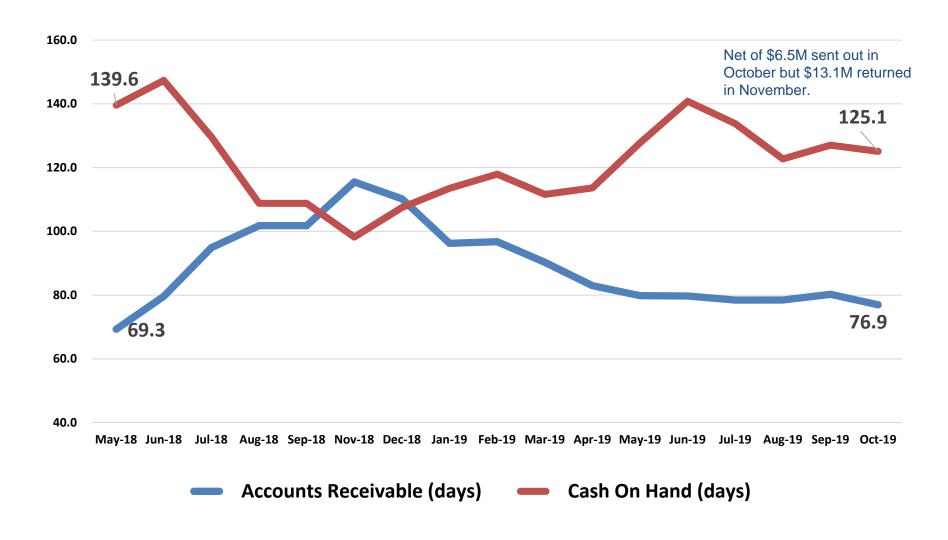


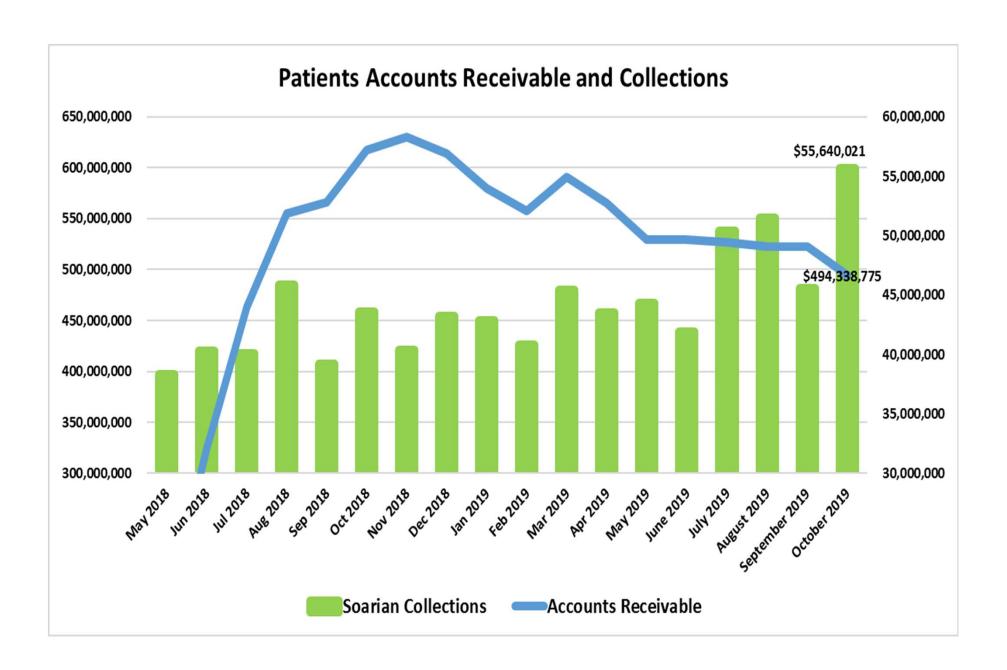


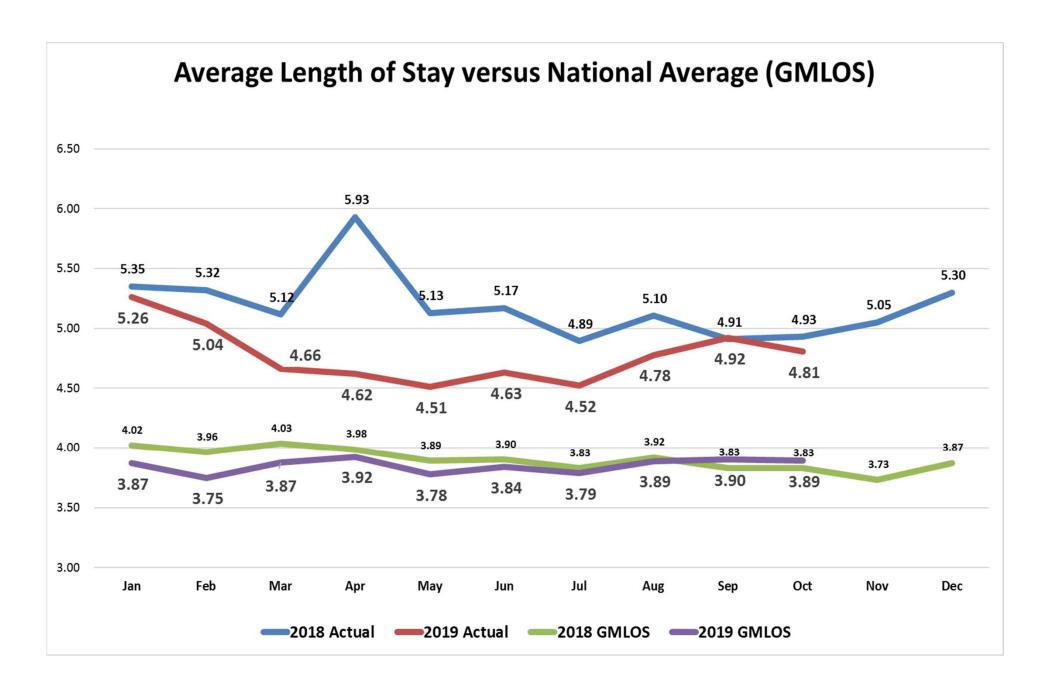
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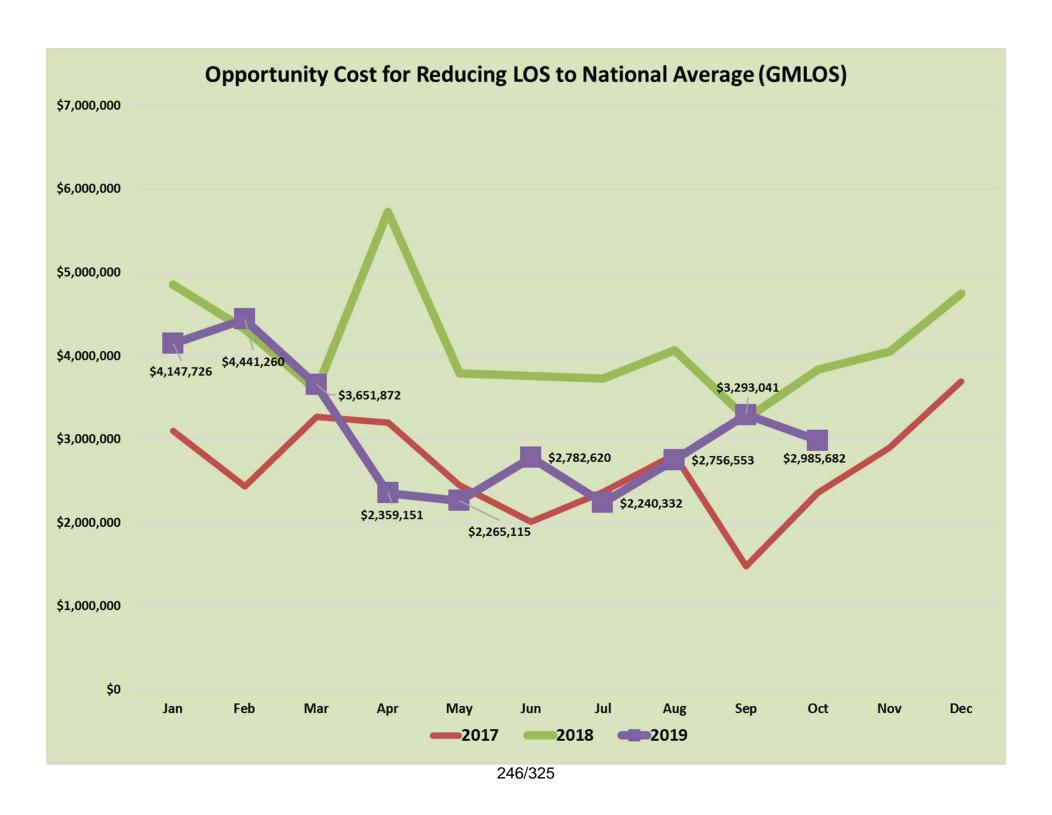


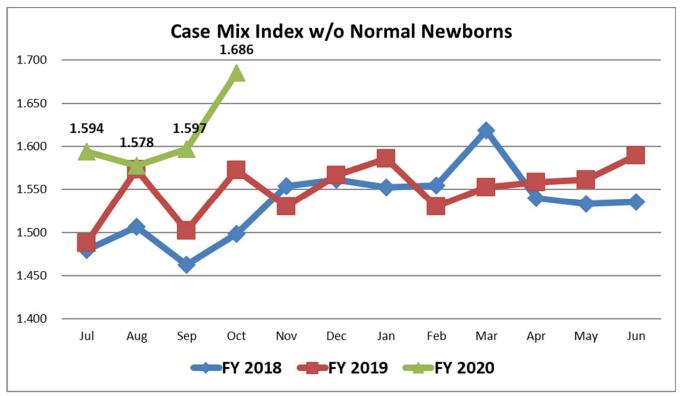
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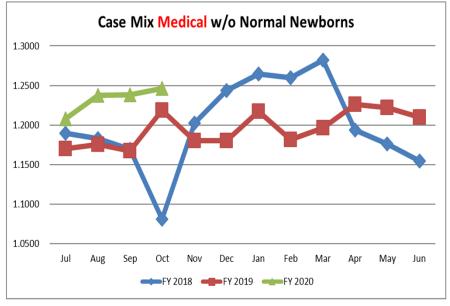


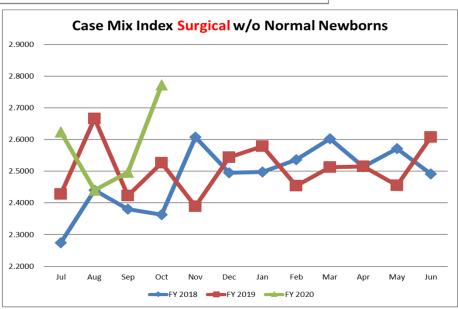












#### KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT

#### CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT (000's)

FISCAL YEAR 2019 & 2020

		Operating	g Re	venue					C	Operating	g Ex	penses												
Fiscal Year		et Patient Revenue	0	Other perating evenue	Re	erating venue Total		ersonnel Expense		nysician Fees		upplies xpense	Ol	Other perating xpense	E	perating xpenses Total		erating	Ор	Non- erating come	Ne	t Income	Operating Margin %	
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Jul-18		49,124		11,390		60,514		30,147		6,300		9,585		12,701		58,733		1,781		434		2,215	2.9%	3.6%
Aug-18		52,124		11,439	7	63,563		31,602		7,668		10,624		12,980		62,874		689		482		1,171	1.1%	1.8%
Sep-18		46,634		11,659	7	58,293		29,835		6,524		8,862		13,361		58,582		(289)		912		624	(0.5%)	1.1%
Oct-18		48,769		11,644	7	60,413		32,849		7,145		9,867		13,066		62,927		(2,514)		345		(2,169)	(4.2%)	(3.6%)
Nov-18		43,870		18,365	7	62,235		31,066		7,310		10,195		13,900		62,470		(235)		449		214	(0.4%)	0.3%
Dec-18		43,717		14,732	7	58,449		31,115		7,023		10,329		12,736		61,202		(2,754)		614		(2,140)	(4.7%)	(3.6%)
Jan-19		44,312		18,178	•	62,489		34,290		6,624		8,909		13,104		62,927		(438)		460		22	(0.7%)	0.0%
Feb-19		45,261		15,334		60,595		30,249		6,989		9,473		13,280		59,991		604		565		1,169	1.0%	1.9%
Mar-19		48,012		18,073		66,085		32,229		6,775		9,219		13,606		61,830		4,255		3,325		7,580	6.4%	10.9%
Apr-19		45,828		17,318		63,146		31,272		7,105		9,209		15,748		63,334		(188)		604		416	(0.3%)	0.7%
May-19		47,078		18,515	_	65,594		32,104		8,403		9,728		13,265		63,501		2,093		585		2,678	3.2%	4.0%
Jun-19		47,183		24,376		71,558		29,357		7,655		6,865		15,114		58,992		12,566		3,562		16,128	17.6%	21.5%
2019 FY Total	\$	561,911	\$	191,023	\$	752,933	\$	376,115	\$	85,521	\$	112,866	\$	162,861	\$	737,363	\$	15,570	\$	12,337	\$	27,907	2.1%	3.6%
2020																								
Jul-19		51,799		13,802	_	65,601		32,948		7,266		8,683		13,597		62,494		3,107		744		3,852	4.7%	5.8%
Aug-19		50,243		13,937		64,181		33,307		7,284		9,986		14,583		65,160		(980)		662		(318)	(1.5%)	(0.5%)
Sep-19		48,185		13,994	_	62,179		31,582		7,486		8,571		14,182		61,822		356		4,429		4,785	0.6%	7.2%
Oct-19		52,165		13,896		66,061		33,546		8,287		10,551		14,477		66,862		(801)		774		(27)	(1.2%)	(0.0%)
2020 FY Total	\$	202,392	\$	55,629	\$	258,021	\$	131,384	\$	30,323	\$	37,792	\$	56,839	\$	256,338	\$	1,683	\$	6,609	\$	8,292	0.7%	3.1%
FYTD Budget		204,098		52,812		256,910		127,670		31,720		37,348		54,247		250,986		5,924		2,663		8,587	2.3%	3.3%
Variance	\$	(1,706)	\$	2,818	\$	1,111	\$	3,713	\$	(1,397)	\$	444	\$	2,592	\$	5,352		(4,241)		3,946		(295)		
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	Ą	52,165 52,395	\$	13,372	7	66,061 65,767	Þ	33,546 32,132	Ş	8,287 7,926	Þ	10,551 9,584	Ş	14,477 13,830	Þ	66,862 63,471	Ş	(801) 2,296	Ş	670	Ş	(27) 2,966	3.5%	4.5%
Budget Variance	\$	(230)	ċ	524	ċ	294	\$	1,415	ć	361	ċ	9,584	ć	13,830	ċ	3,390	\$	(3,097)	ċ	103		(2,994)		4.5%
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## KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT

#### FISCAL YEAR 2019 & 2020

Fiscal Year	Patient Days	Adjusted DFR Patient I/P Ba ADC Days Revenue % Deb		nt I/P B		Net Patient Revenue/ Ajusted Patient Day	Personnel Expense/ Ajusted Patient Day	Physician Fees/ Ajusted Patient Day	Supply Expense/ Ajusted Patient Day	Total Operating Expense/ Ajusted Patient Day	Personnel Expense/ Net Patient Revenue	Physician Fees/ Net Patient Revenue	Supply Expense/ Net Patient Revenue	Total Operating Expense/ Net Patient Revenue
2019														
Jul-18	14,096	455	26,287	53.6%	72.4%	1,869	1,147	240	365	2,234	61.4%	12.8%	19.5%	119.6%
Aug-18	14,569	470	28,016	52.0%	76.0%	1,861	1,128	274	379	2,244	60.6%	14.7%	20.4%	120.6%
Sep-18	13,052	435	24,371	53.6%	73.5%	1,914	1,224	268	364	2,404	64.0%	14.0%	19.0%	125.6%
Oct-18	13,744	443	25,579	53.7%	73.5%	1,907	1,284	279	386	2,460	67.4%	14.7%	20.2%	129.0%
Nov-18	13,013	434	23,625	55.1%	74.9%	1,857	1,315	309	432	2,644	70.8%	16.7%	23.2%	142.4%
Dec-18	13,497	435	25,399	53.1%	76.2%	1,721	1,225	277	407	2,410	71.2%	16.1%	23.6%	140.0%
Jan-19	13,671	441	26,407	51.8%	76.9%	1,678	1,299	251	337	2,383	77.4%	14.9%	20.1%	142.0%
Feb-19	12,584	449	23,811	52.8%	75.9%	1,901	1,270	294	398	2,519	66.8%	15.4%	20.9%	132.5%
Mar-19	13,707	442	26,032	52.7%	76.9%	1,844	1,238	260	354	2,375	67.1%	14.1%	19.2%	128.8%
Apr-19	13,162	439	25,125	52.4%	76.9%	1,824	1,245	283	367	2,521	68.2%	15.5%	20.1%	138.2%
May-19	13,440	434	26,367	51.0%	75.3%	1,785	1,218	319	369	2,408	68.2%	17.8%	20.7%	134.9%
Jun-19	12,547	418	24,234	51.8%	75.6%	1,947	1,211	316	283	2,434	62.2%	16.2%	14.6%	125.0%
2019 FY Total	161,082	441	305,353	52.8%	75.4%	1,840	1,232	280	370	2,415	66.9%	15.2%	20.1%	131.2%
2020														
Jul-19	12,744	411	25,329	50.3%	73.8%	2,045	1,301	287	343	2,467	63.6%	14.0%	16.8%	120.6%
Aug-19	13,240	427	26,654	49.7%	74.8%	1,885	1,250	273	375	2,445	66.3%	14.5%	19.9%	129.7%
Sep-19	12,712	424	25,104	50.6%	74.1%	1,919	1,258	298	341	2,463	65.5%	15.5%	17.8%	128.3%
Oct-19	12,924	417	26,070	49.6%	74.6%	2,001	1,287	318	405	2,565	64.3%	15.9%	20.2%	128.2%
2020 FY Total	51,620	420	103,166	50.0%	74.3%	1,962	1,274	294	366	2,485	64.9%	15.0%	18.7%	126.7%
<b>FYTD Budget</b>	54,949	447	106,239	51.7%	74.3%	1,921	1,202	299	352	2,433	62.6%	15.5%	18.3%	123.0%
Variance	(3,329)	(27)	(3,073)	(1.7%)	0.0%	41	72	(5)	15	52	2.4%	(0.6%)	0.4%	3.7%
Current Mont	h Analysis 12,924	417	26,070	49.6%	74.6%	2,001	1,287	318	405	2,565	64.3%	15.9%	20.2%	128.2%
Budget	13,430	433	26,311	51.0%	74.1%	1,991	1,221	301	364	2,435	61.3%	15.1%	18.3%	121.1%
Variance	(506)	(16)	(241)	(1.5%)	0.5%	10	66	17	40	130	3.0%	0.8%	1.9%	7.0%

### KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT RATIO ANALYSIS REPORT OCTOBER 31, 2019

	June 30, Current Prior 2019 2017 Moody's							
	Current	Prior	2019	2017 Moody's				
	Month	Month	<b>Unaudited</b>	Media	n Bench	mark		
	Value	Value	Value	Aa	A	Baa		
LIQUIDITY RATIOS								
Current Ratio (x)	2.8	2.8	2.2	1.7	1.9	2.1		
Accounts Receivable (days)	76.9	80.2	79.7	48.4	48.4	46.5		
Cash On Hand (days)-see highlights slide	125.1	127.0	140.8	264.6	226.5	156.5		
Cushion Ratio (x)	17.1	17.2	18.5	36.6	23.9	13.8		
Average Payment Period (days)	41.6	43.3	51.0	75.0	59.6	59.6		
CAPITAL STRUCTURE RATIOS								
Cash-to-Debt	111.2%	111.4%	120.5%	217.6%	169.6%	111.7%		
Debt-To-Capitalization	31.3%	31.3%	31.5%	26.0%	32.9%	39.3%		
Debt-to-Cash Flow (x)	3.9	3.4	3.6	2.2	3.0	4.5		
Debt Service Coverage	3.7	4.3	4.0	7.1	5.4	3.0		
Maximum Annual Debt Service Coverage (x)	3.7	4.3	4.0	6.4	4.7	2.8		
Age Of Plant (years)	12.8	12.7	12.1	10.1	11.6	12.1		
PROFITABILITY RATIOS								
Operating Margin	0.7%	1.3%	2.0%	3.5%	2.3%	(.4%)		
Excess Margin	3.1%	4.2%	3.6%	6.6%	5.2%	1.9%		
Operating Cash Flow Margin	5.2%	5.9%	6.8%	9.2%	8.6%	6.0%		
Return on Assets	2.8%	3.7%	3.0%	5.3%	4.0%	1.7%		

## KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION (000's)

	Oct-19	Sep-19	Change	% Change	Jun-19
					(Audited)
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS					
CURRENT ASSETS			4		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,481	\$ 9,536	\$ (3,055)	-32.04% \$	4,220
Current Portion of Board designated and trusted assets	15,542	14,403	1,139	7.91%	12,577
Accounts receivable:					
Net patient accounts	136,572	142,210	(5,638)	-3.96%	146,605
Other receivables	23,231	14,973	8,258	55.15%	13,907
	159,803	157,183	2,619	1.67%	160,512
Inventories	10,552	10,854	(302)	-2.78%	10,479
Medicare and Medi-Cal settlements	40,237	44,521	(4,284)	-9.62%	30,759
Prepaid expenses	11,378	12,428	(1,050)	-8.45%	11,510
Total current assets	243,991	248,925	(4,934)	-1.98%	230,057
NON-CURRENT CASH AND INVESTMENTS -					
less current portion					
Board designated cash and assets	255,264	252,600	2,664	1.05%	278,883
Revenue bond assets held in trust	33,607	33,570	37	0.11%	33,569
Assets in self-insurance trust fund	4,241	4,233	8	0.19%	4,209
Total non-current cash and investments	293,112	290,403	2,709	0.93%	316,662
CAPITAL ASSETS	,	,	_,	0.0070	,
Land	16,989	16,137	852	5.28%	16,137
Buildings and improvements	359,236	358,410	825	0.23%	356,887
Equipment	274,724	275,184	(460)	-0.17%	275,513
Construction in progress	49,268	49,727	(459)	-0.92%	42,299
	700,216	699,458	758	0.11%	690,836
Less accumulated depreciation	365,288	364,363	925	0.25%	357,681
	334,928	335,095	(167)	-0.05%	333,155
Property under capital leases -	,		( - )		,
less accumulated amortization	2,901	2,977	(76)	-2.54%	3,204
Total capital assets	337,829	338,072	(243)	-0.07%	336,359
OTHER ASSETS	,	·	,		•
Property not used in operations	1,720	1,887	(167)	-8.84%	3,724
Health-related investments	7,513	7,487	26	0.35%	7,537
Other	10,492	9,980	512	5.13%	9,706
Total other assets	19,726	19,354	371	1.92%	20,967
Total assets	894,658	896,755	(2,096)	-0.23%	904,045
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	(2,492)	(2,454)	(38)	1.55%	(2,340)
Total assets and deferred outflows	\$ 892,166	\$ 894,300	\$ (2,134)	-0.24% \$	901,704

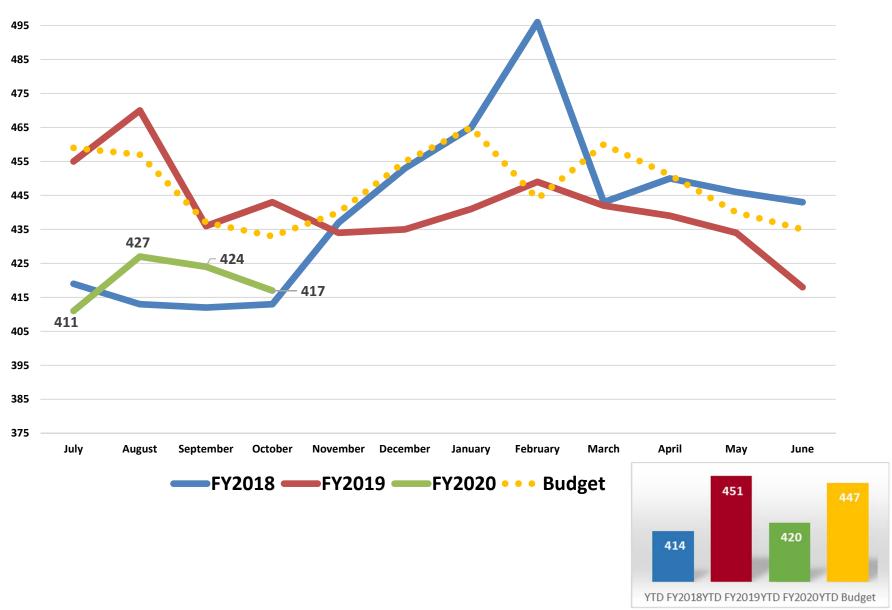
#### KAWEAH DELTA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION (000's)** 

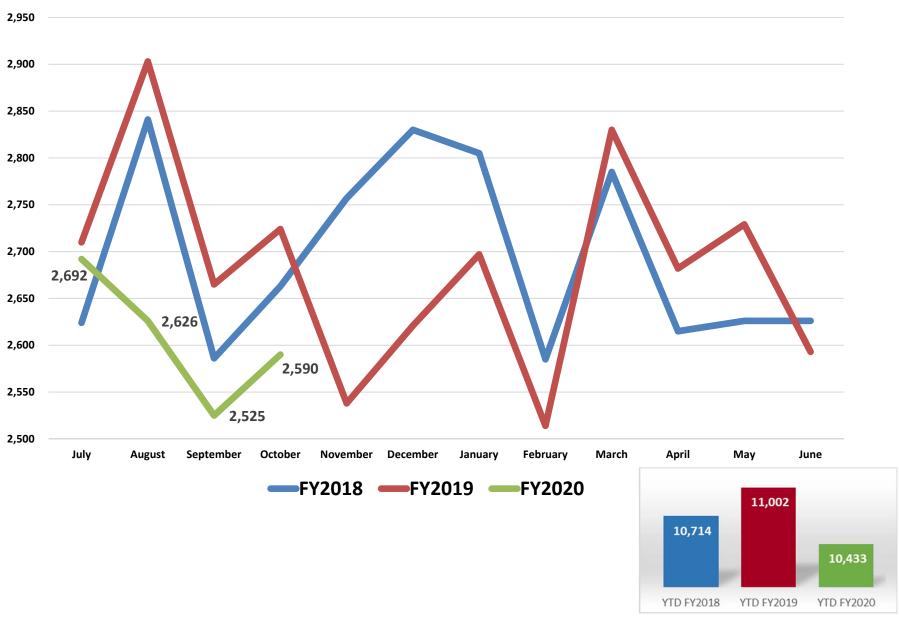
		Oct-19		Sep-19		Change	% Change		Jun-19
LIADULITIES AND NET ASSETS									(Audited)
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS									
CURRENT LIABILITIES	Φ.	00.007	Φ.	00.070	Φ.	(5.500)	40.400/	Φ.	05.040
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	28,397	\$	33,979	\$	(5,582)	-16.43%	\$	35,319
Accrued payroll and related liabilities		50,105		46,762		3,343	7.15%		59,163
Long-term debt, current portion		8,715		8,908		(192)	-2.16%		9,360
Total current liabilities		87,217		89,648		(2,431)	-2.71%		103,842
LONG-TERM DEBT, less current portion									
Bonds payable		256,674		256,731		(57)	-0.02%		258,553
Capital leases		89		110		(21)	-19.14%		174
Total long-term debt		256,763		256,841		(78)	-0.03%		258,727
NET PENSION LIABILITY		29,511		29,945		(435)	-1.45%		31,249
OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		30,767		30,005		763	2.54%		28,647
Total liabilities		404,259		406,440		(2,181)	-0.54%		422,465
NET ASSETS									
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		109,409		109,378		31	0.03%		105,427
Restricted		34,124		32,743		1,380	4.22%		30,090
Unrestricted		344,374		345,738		(1,365)	-0.39%		343,722
Total net position		487,907		487,860		47	0.01%		479,239
Total liabilities and net position	\$	892,166	\$	894,300	\$	(2,134)	-0.24%	\$	901,704



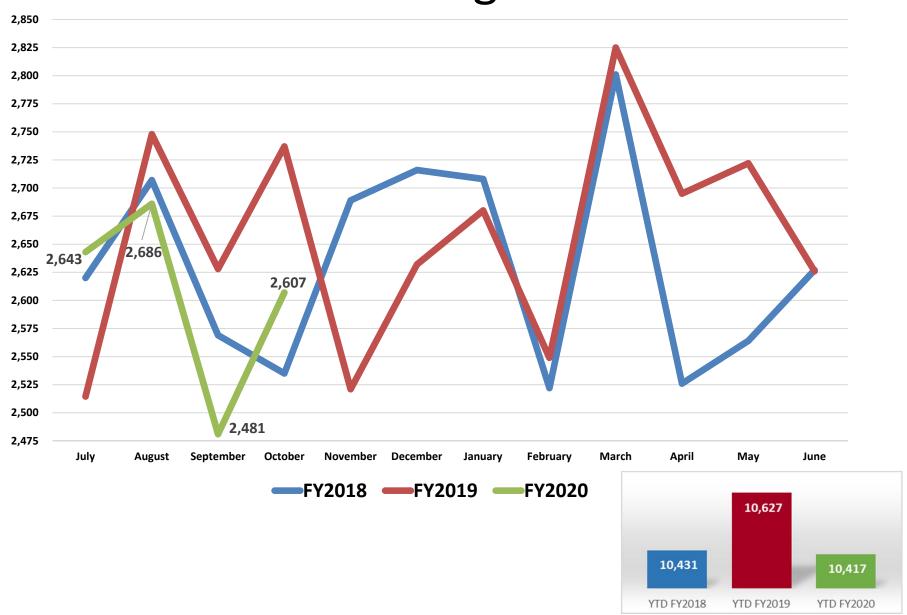
# **Average Daily Census**



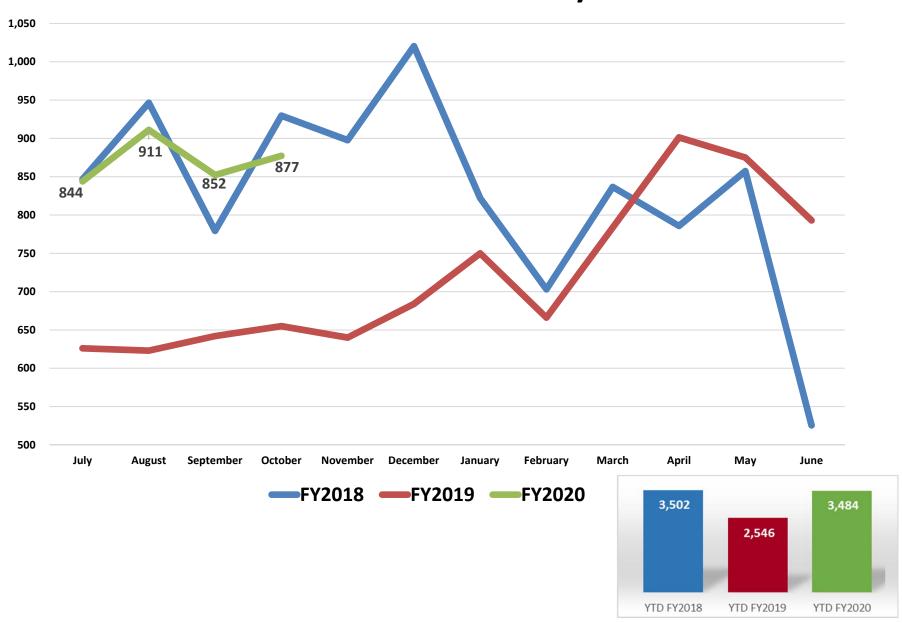
#### **Admissions**



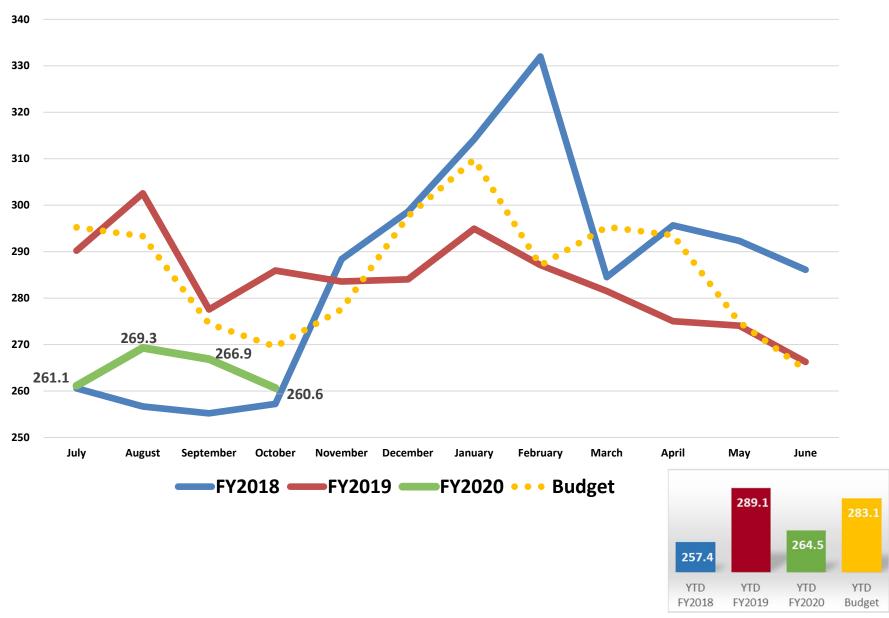
# Discharges



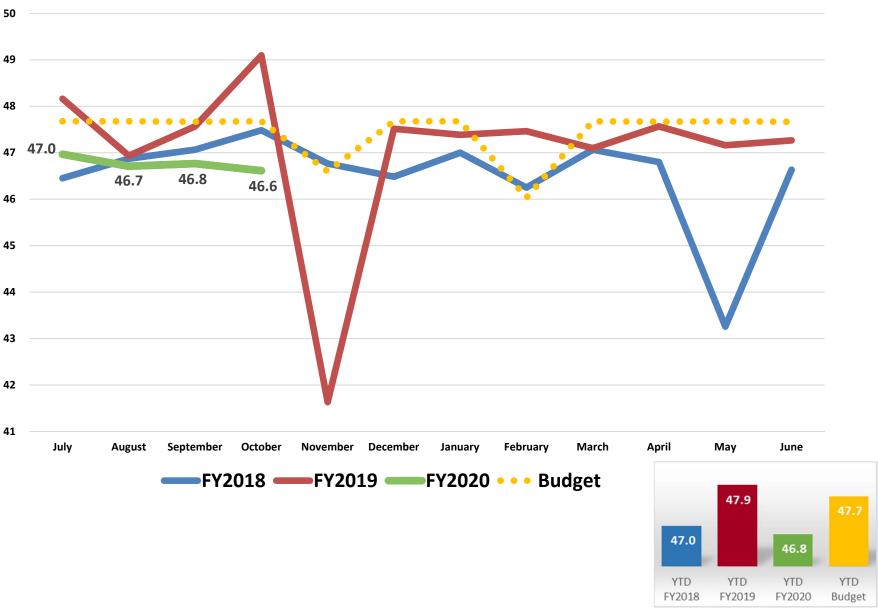
# **Observation Days**



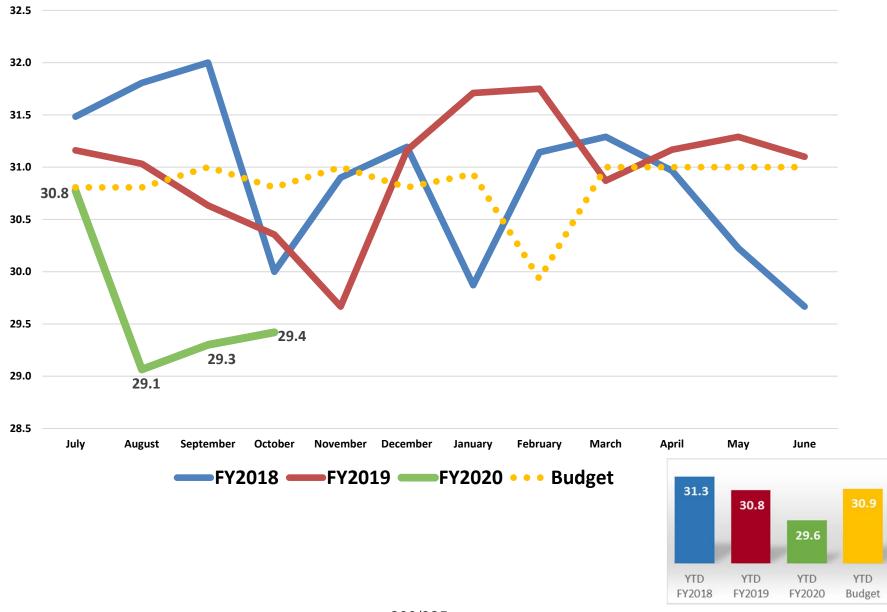
#### Medical Center – Avg. Patients Per Day



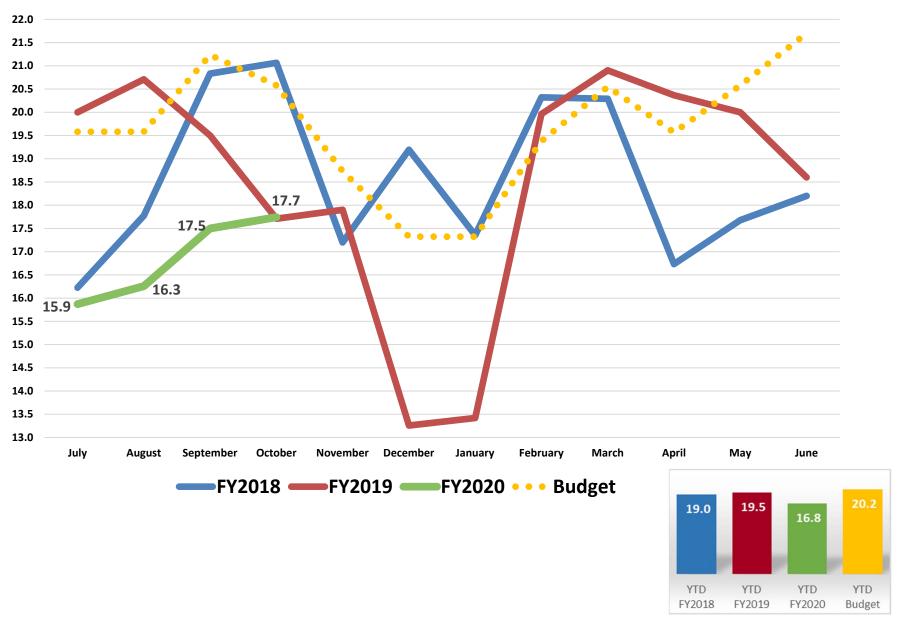
### Acute I/P Psych - Avg. Patients Per Day



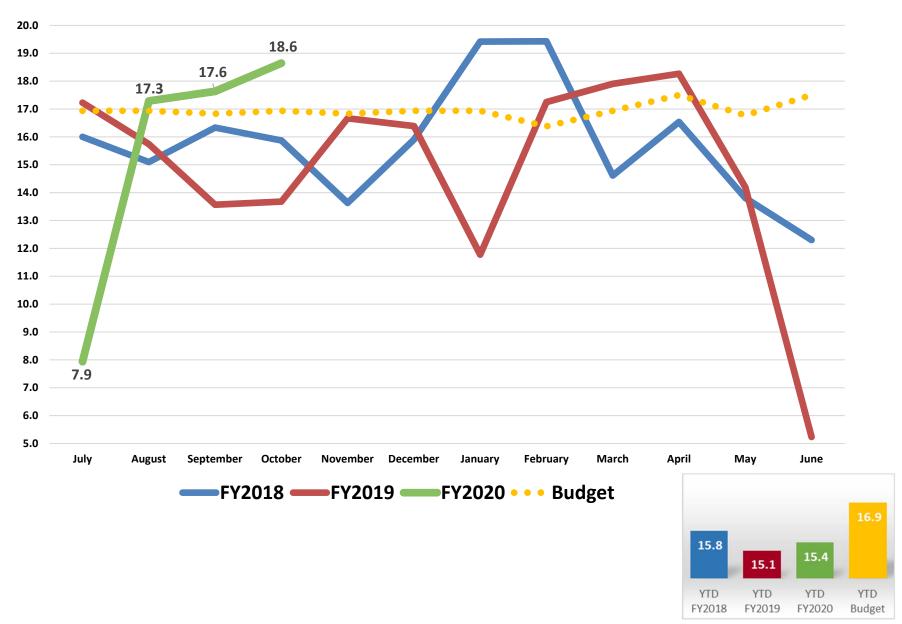
### Sub-Acute - Avg. Patients Per Day



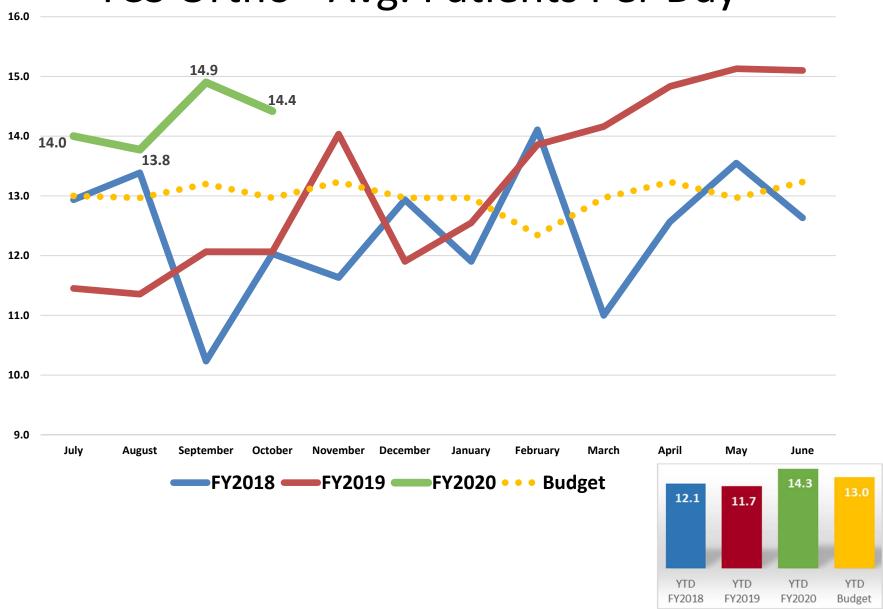
#### Rehabilitation Hospital - Avg. Patients Per Day



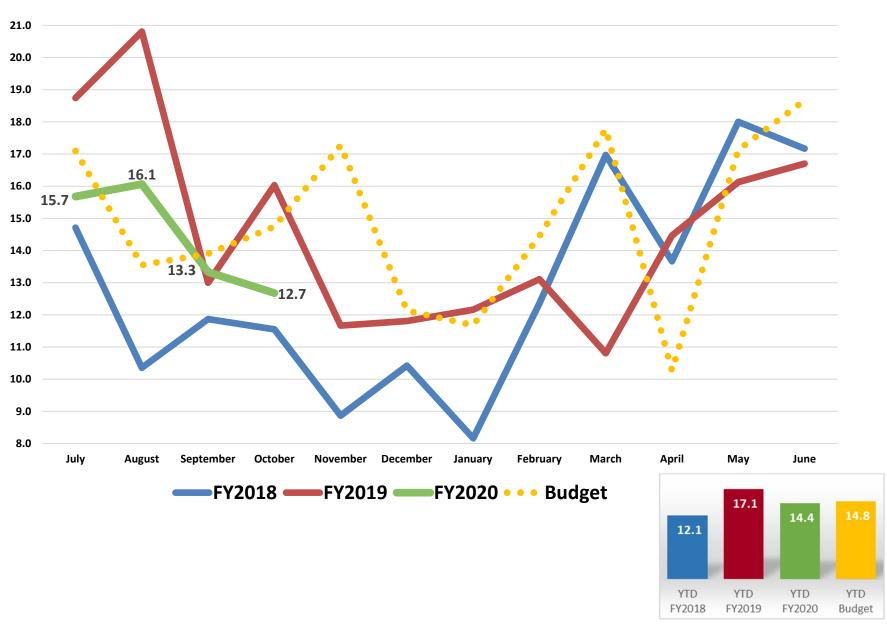
#### Transitional Care Services (TCS) - Avg. Patients Per Day



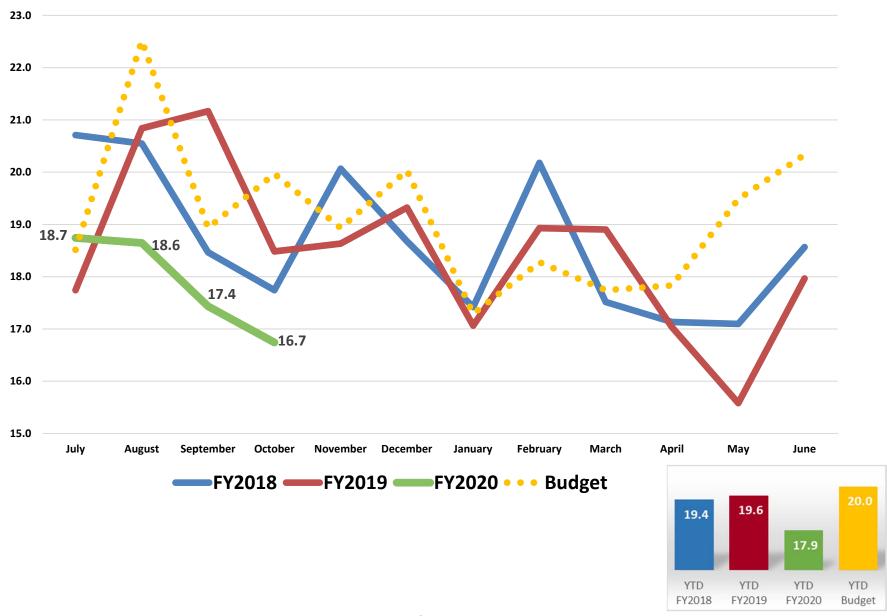
## TCS Ortho - Avg. Patients Per Day



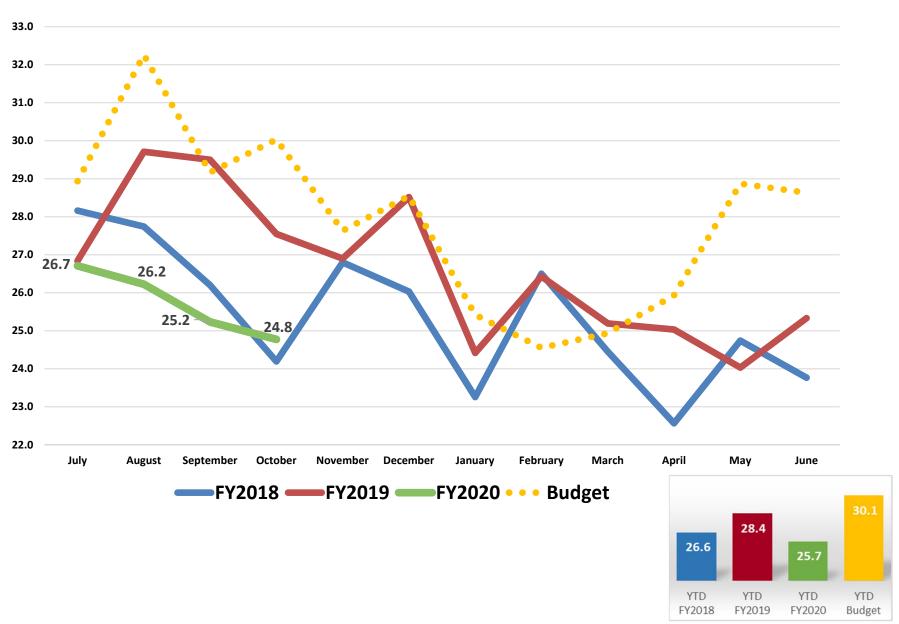
### NICU - Avg. Patients Per Day



### Nursery - Avg. Patients Per Day



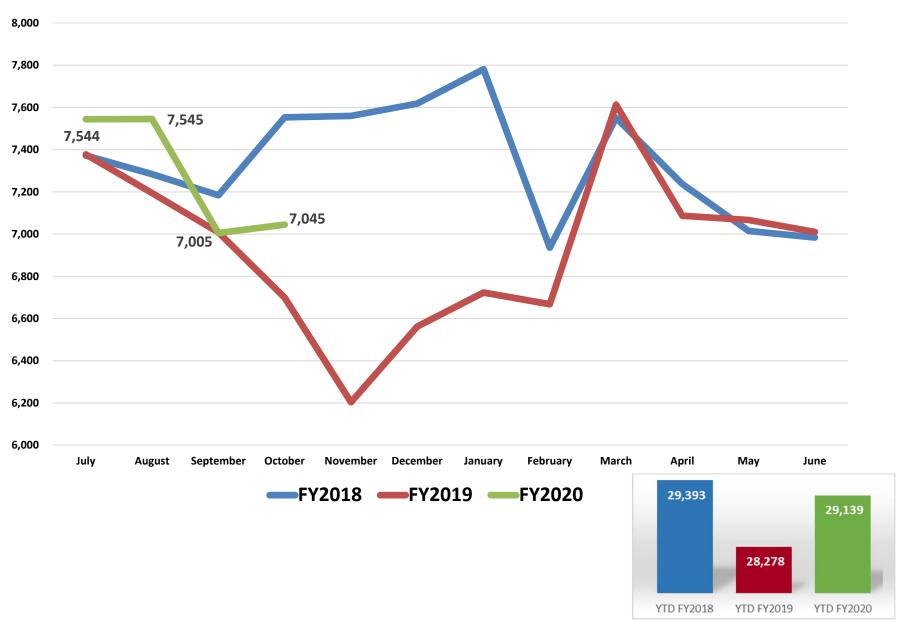
# Obstetrics - Avg. Patients Per Day



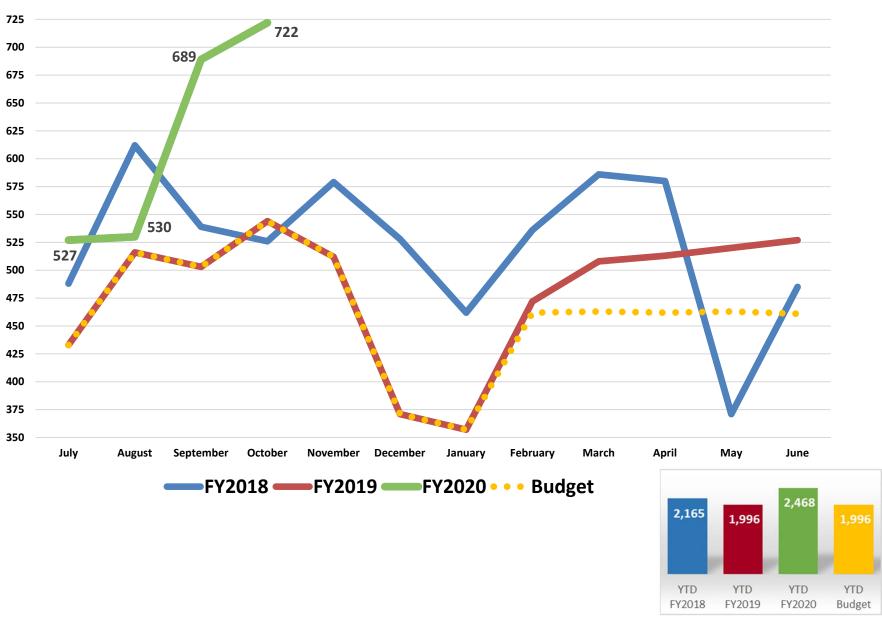
### Outpatient Registrations per Day



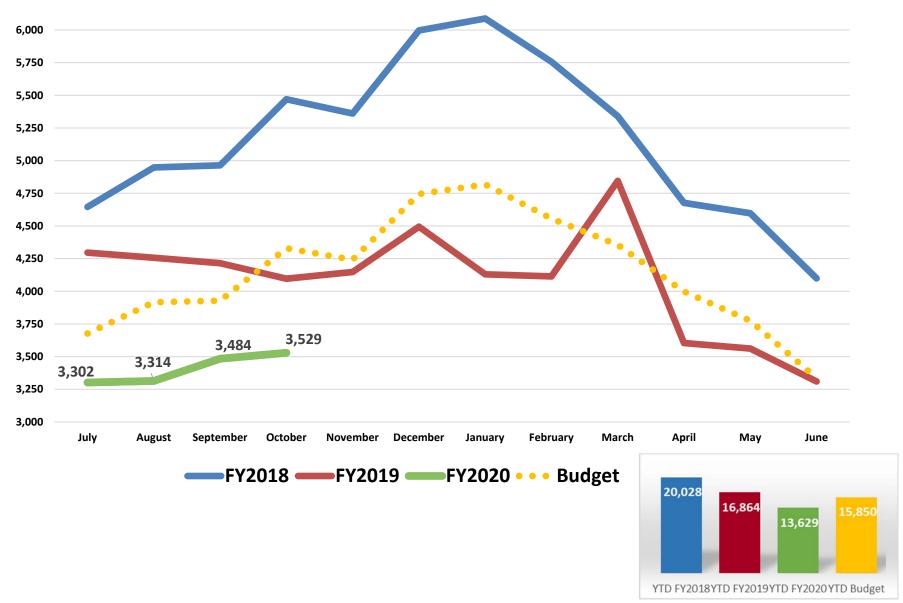
#### Emergency Department – Total Treated



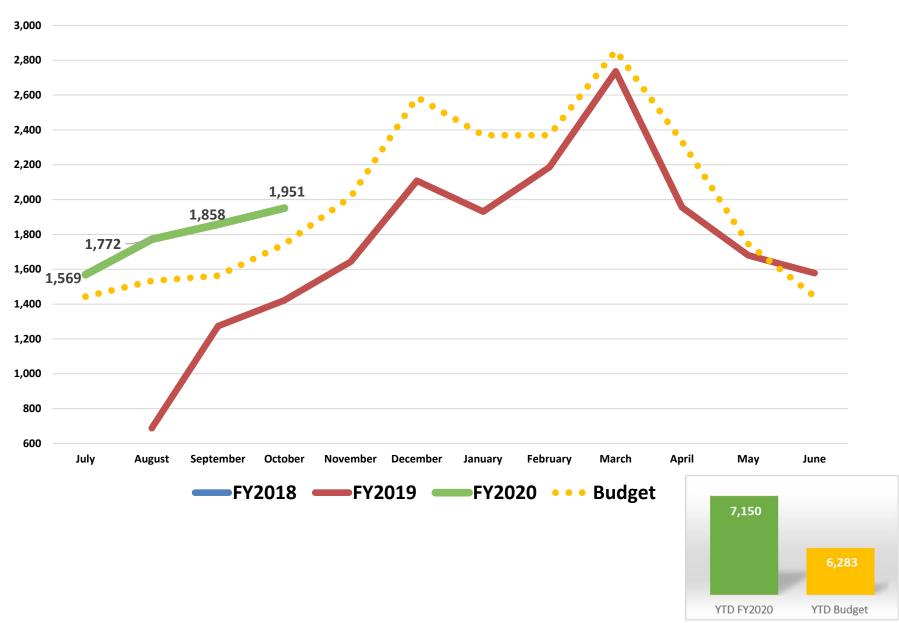
# **Endoscopy Procedures**



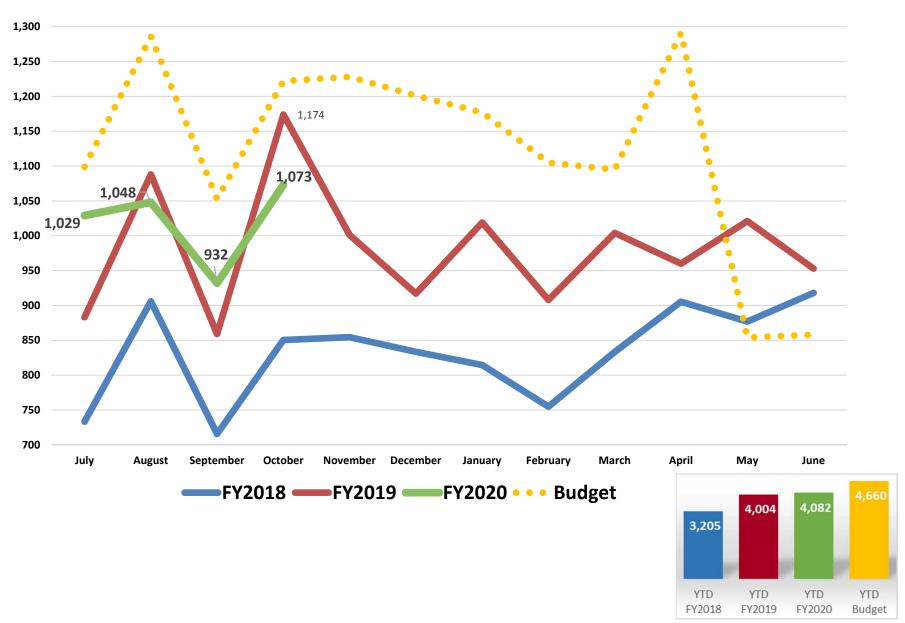
### Urgent Care – Court Visits



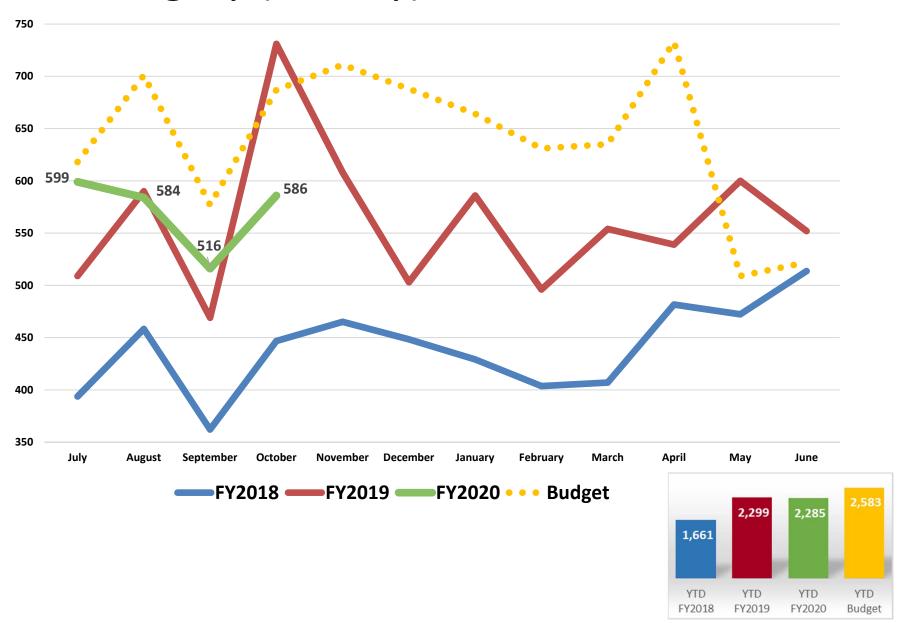
### Urgent Care – Demaree Visits



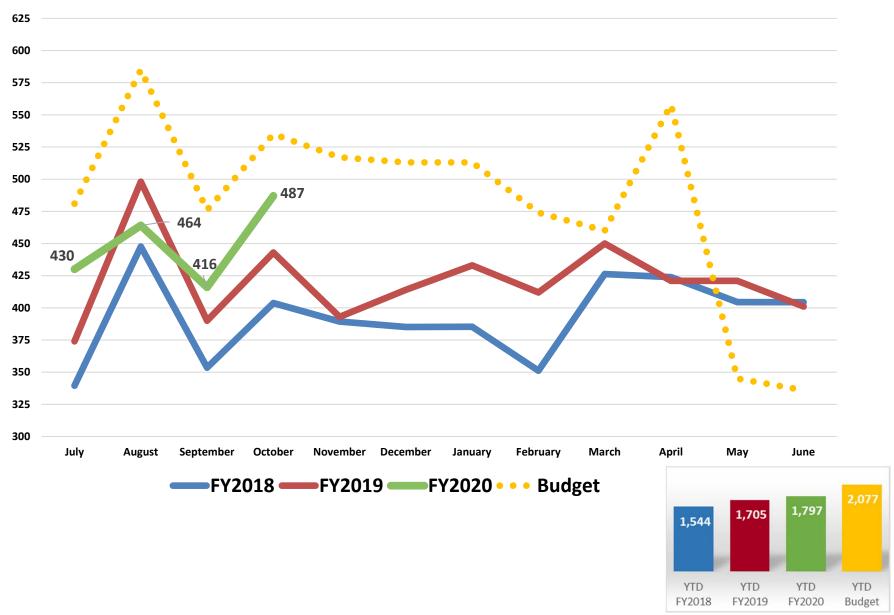
# Surgery (IP & OP) – 100 Min Units



# Surgery (IP Only) – 100 Min Units

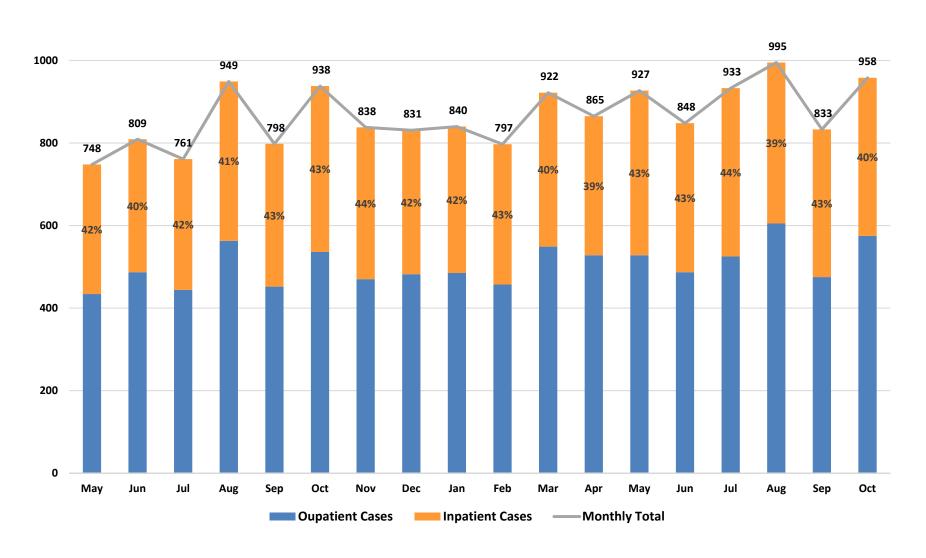


# Surgery (OP Only) – 100 Min Units

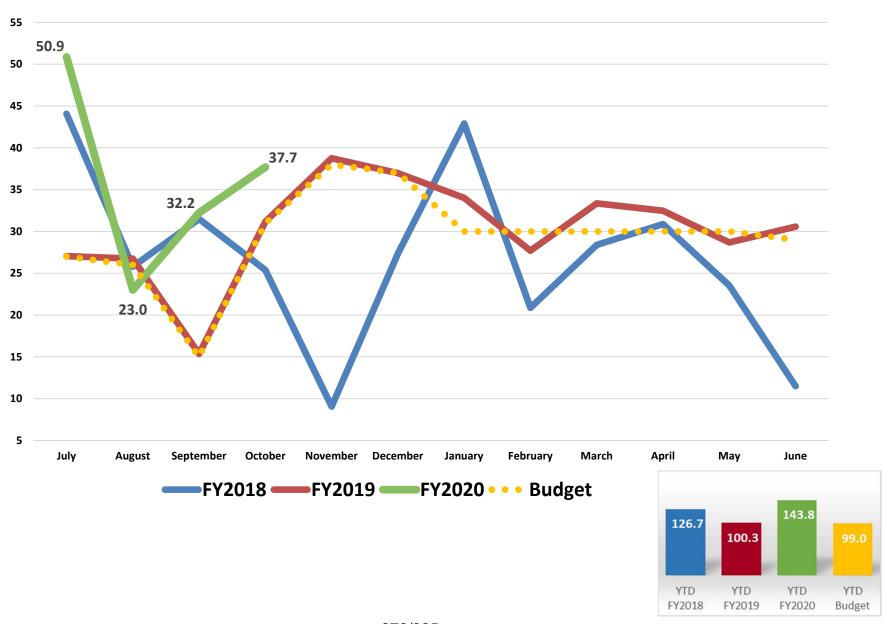


#### Surgery (IP & OP) - Cases

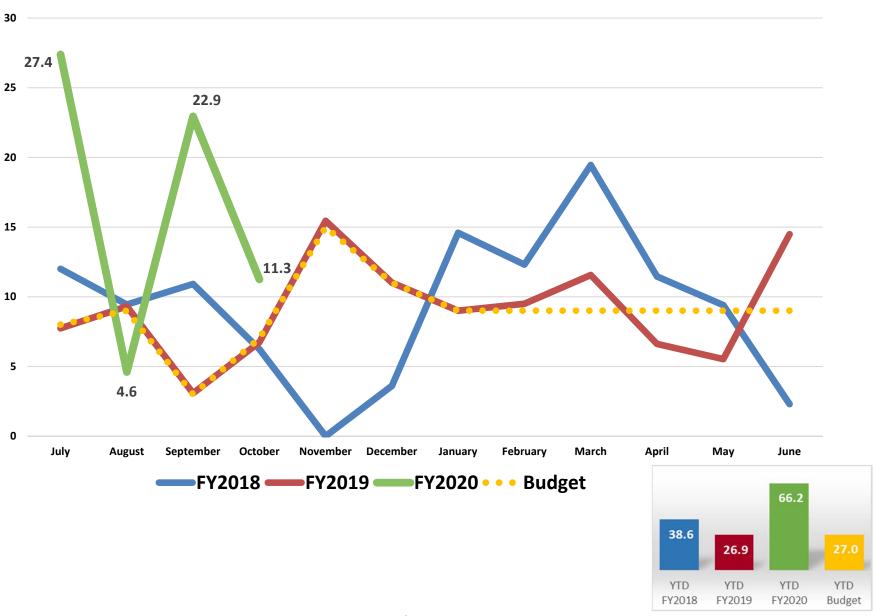




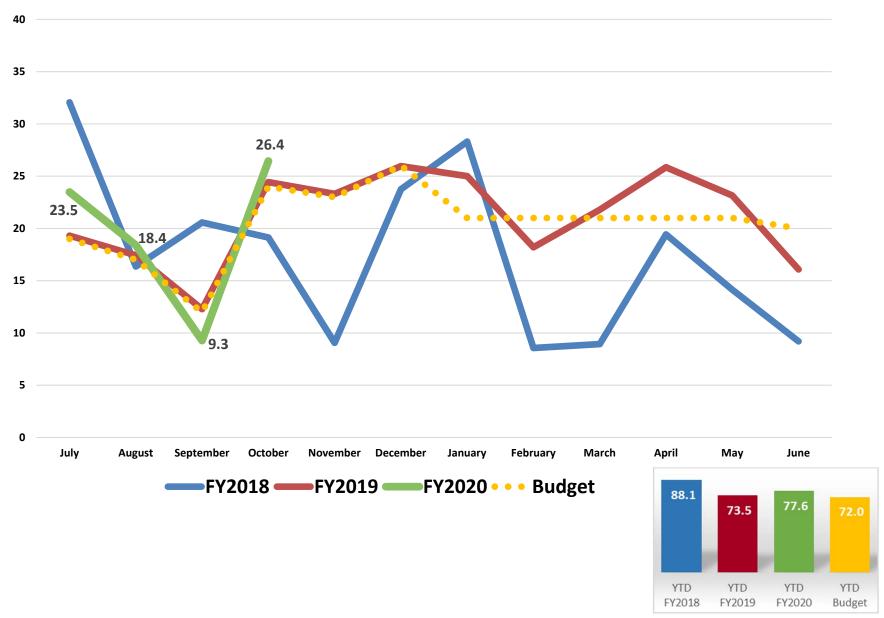
# Robotic Surgery (IP & OP) – 100 Min Units



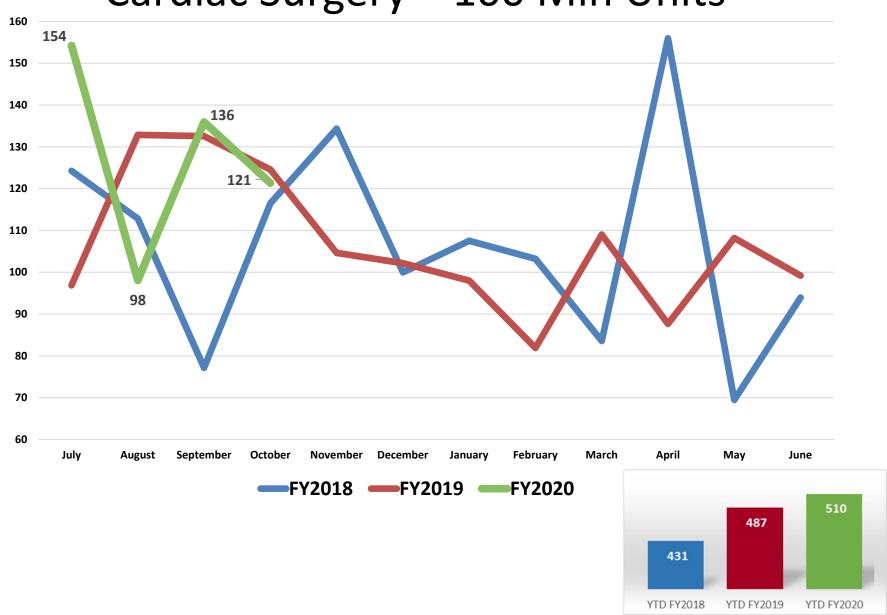
# Robotic Surgery (IP Only) – 100 Min Units



# Robotic Surgery (OP Only) – 100 Min Units

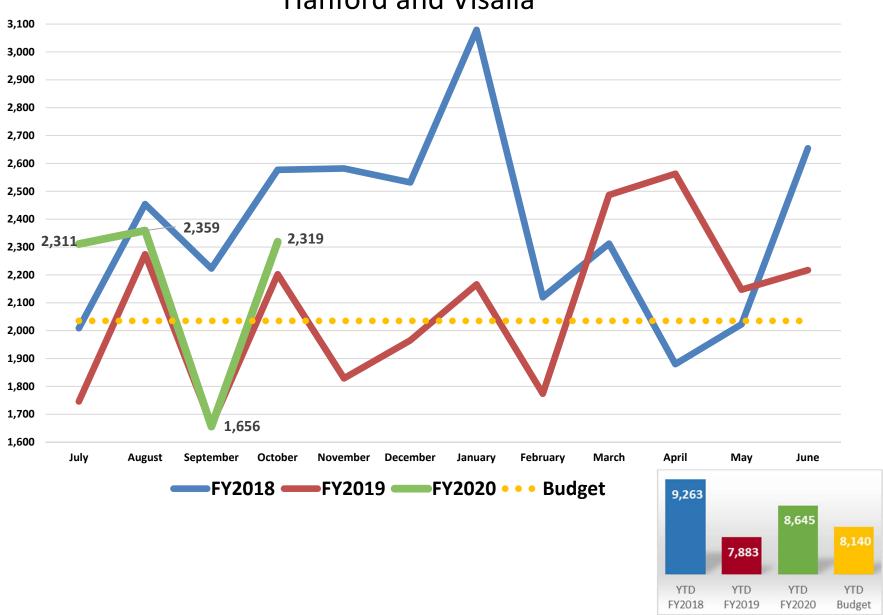


# Cardiac Surgery – 100 Min Units

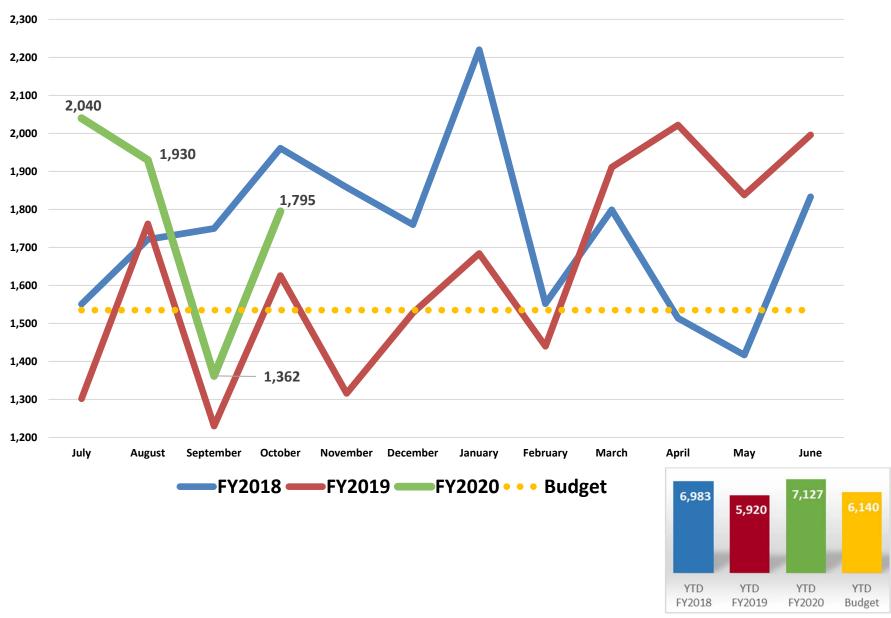


# **Radiation Oncology Treatments**

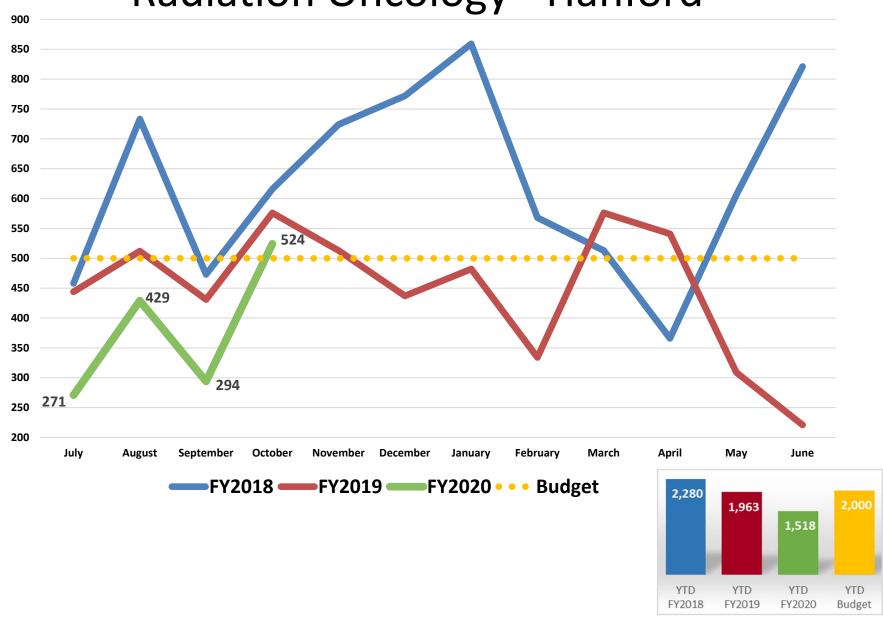
#### Hanford and Visalia



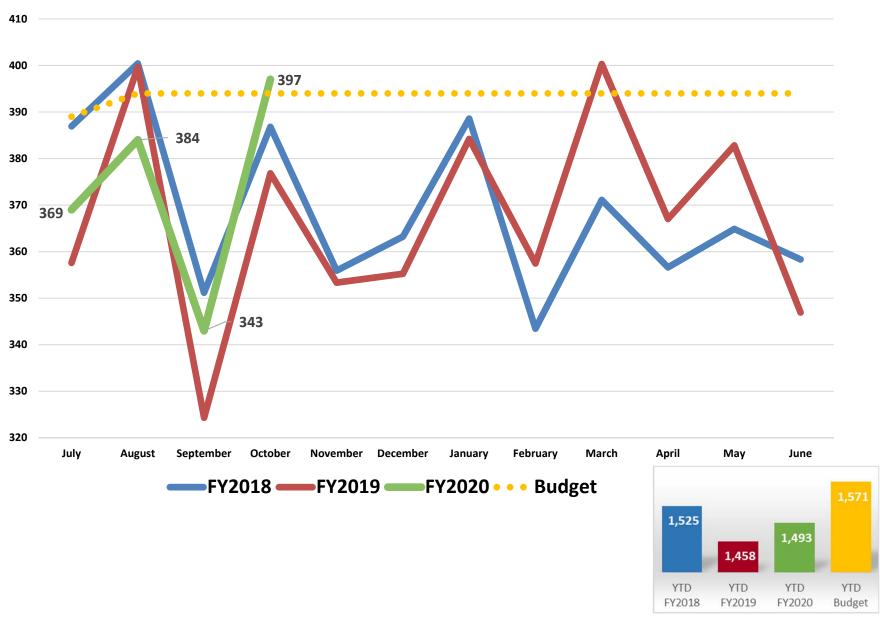
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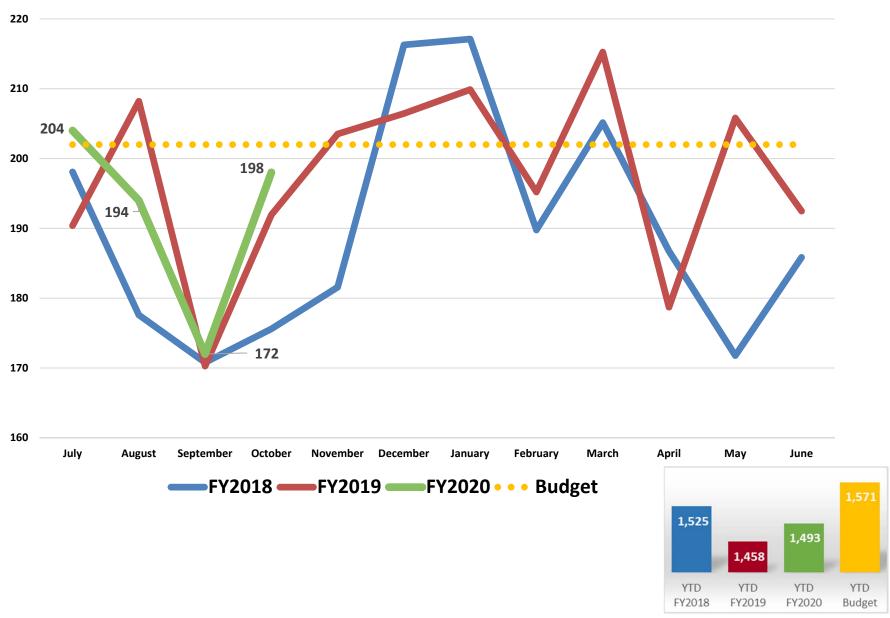
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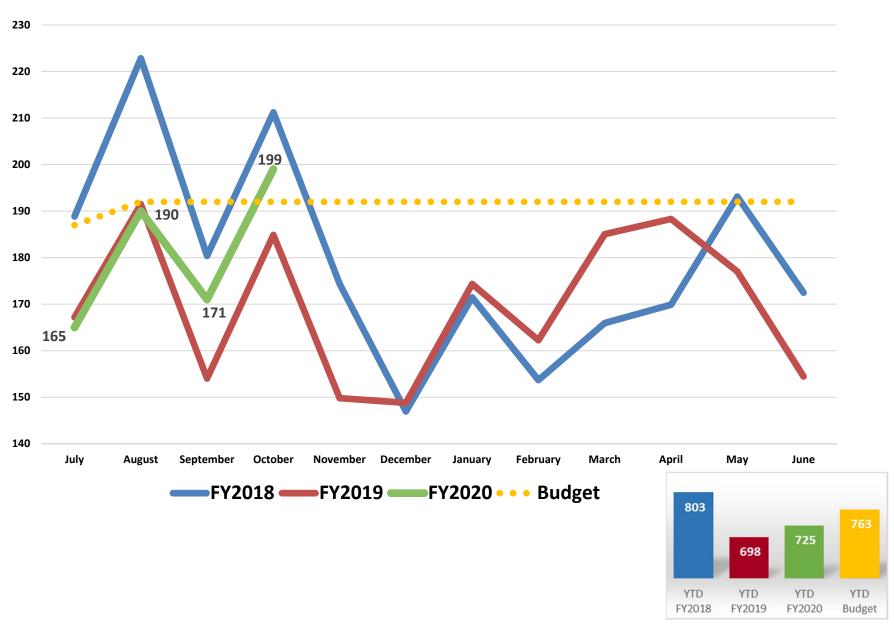
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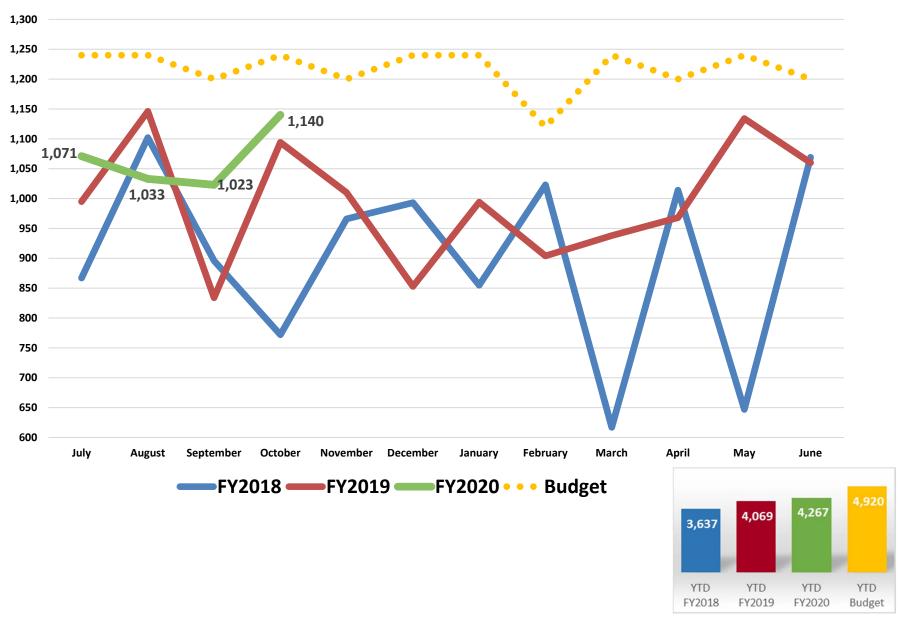
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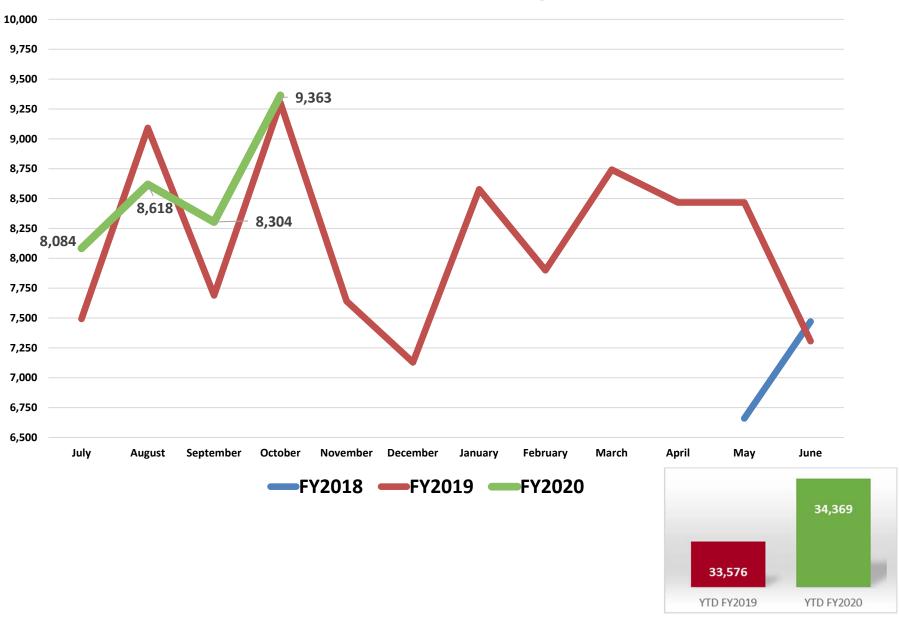
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### **GME Family Medicine Clinic Visits**



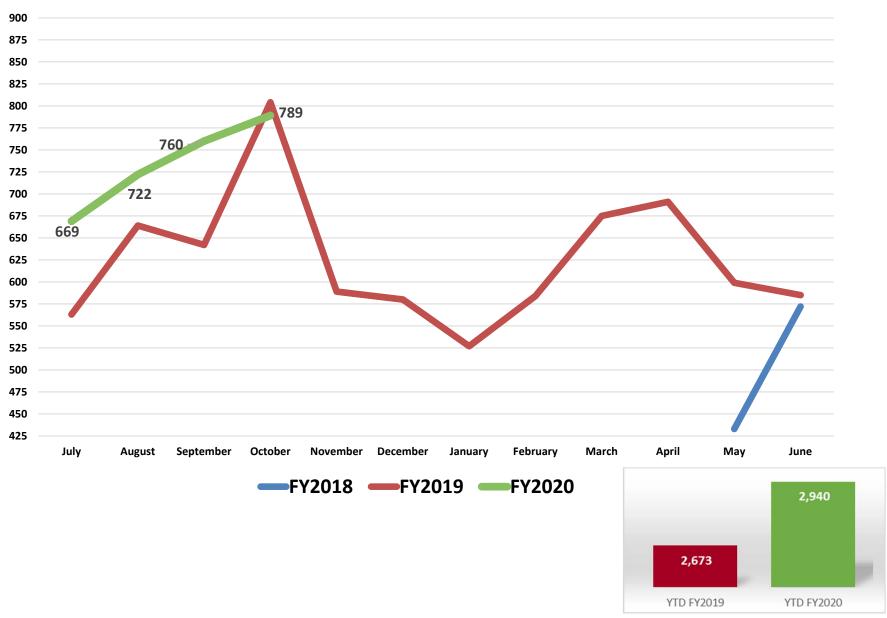
### Rural Health Clinic Registrations



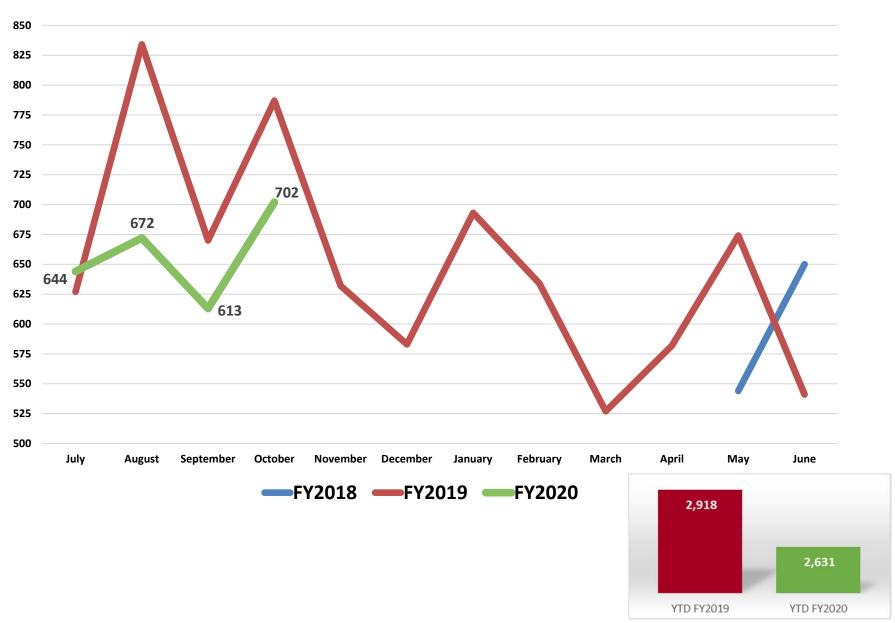
# Exeter RHC - Registrations



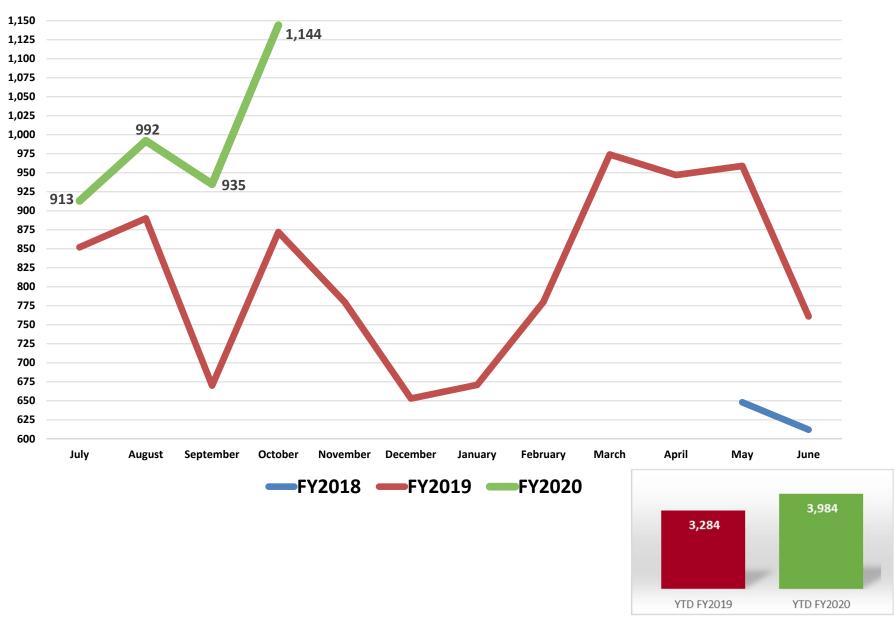
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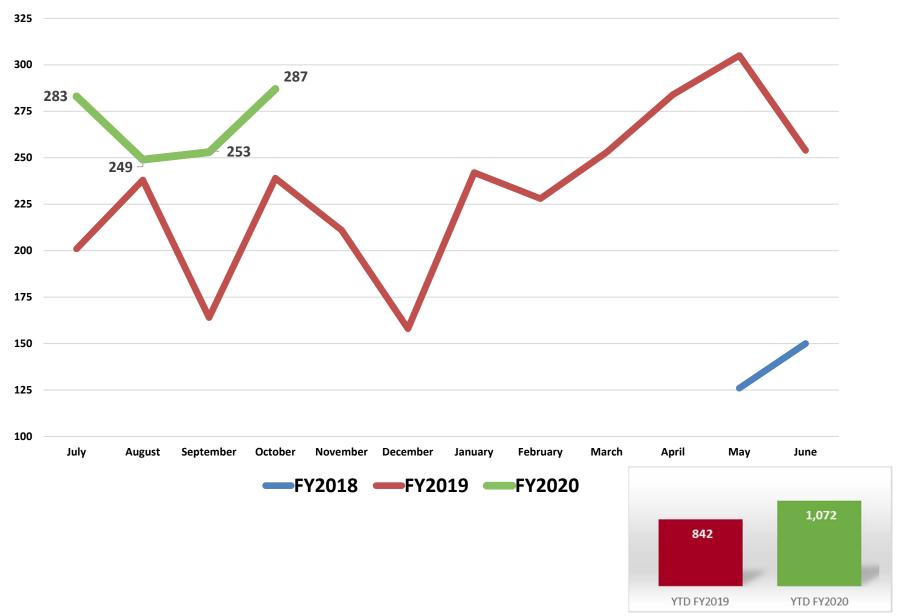
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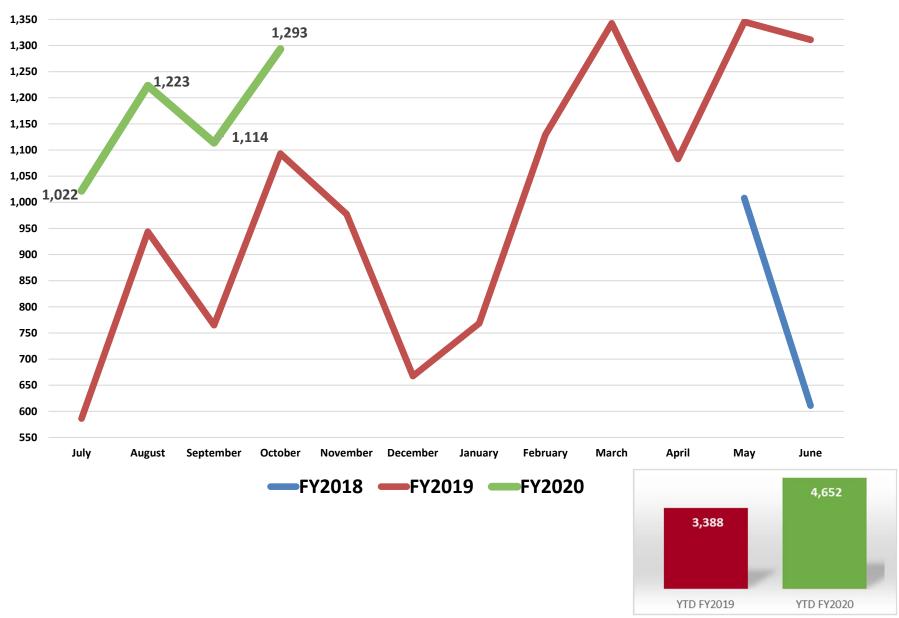
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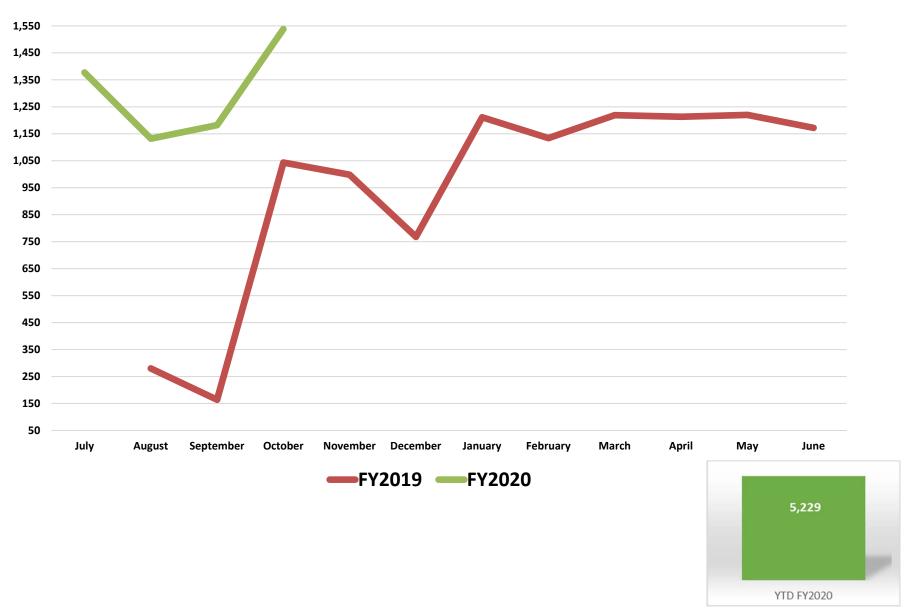
## Neurosurgery Clinic - Registrations



## Neurosurgery Clinic - wRVU's



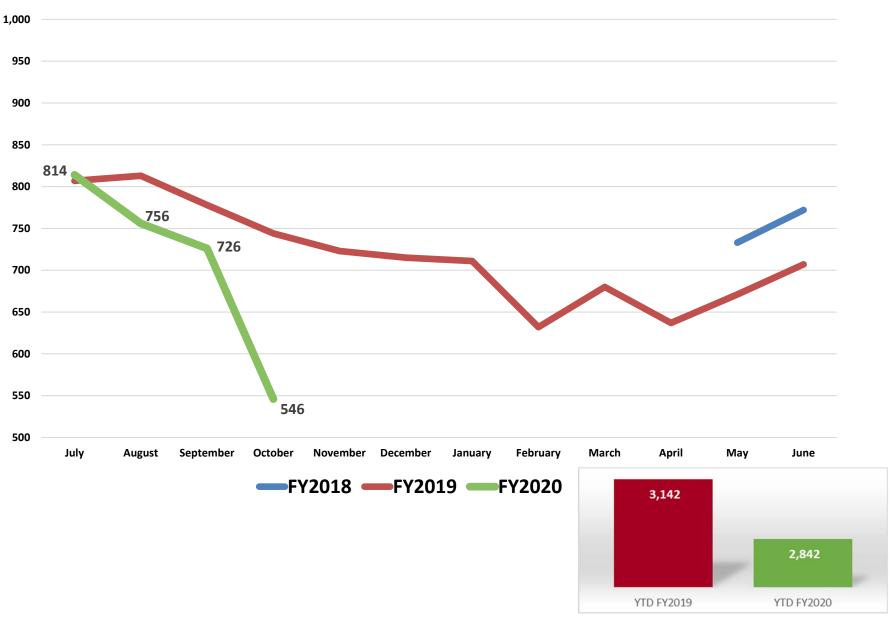
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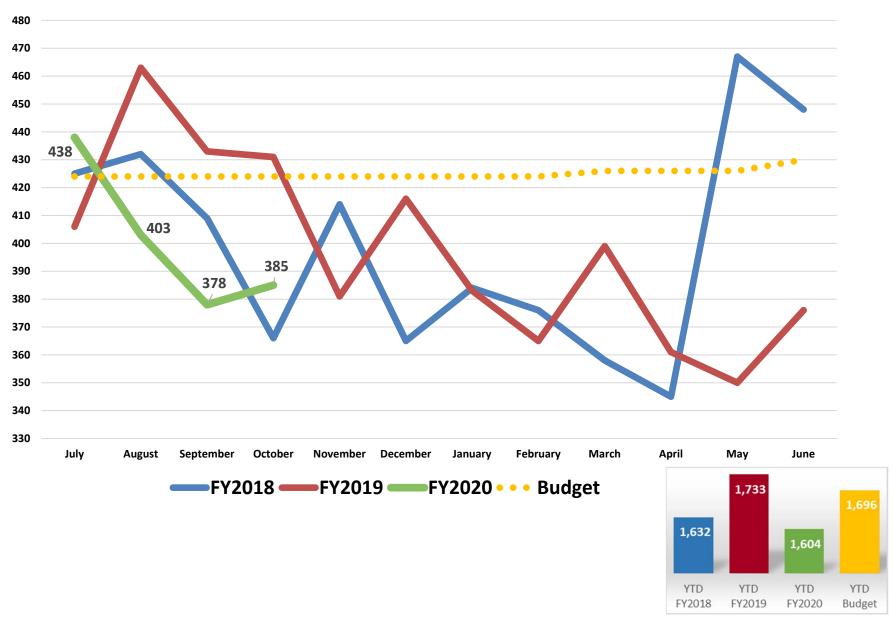
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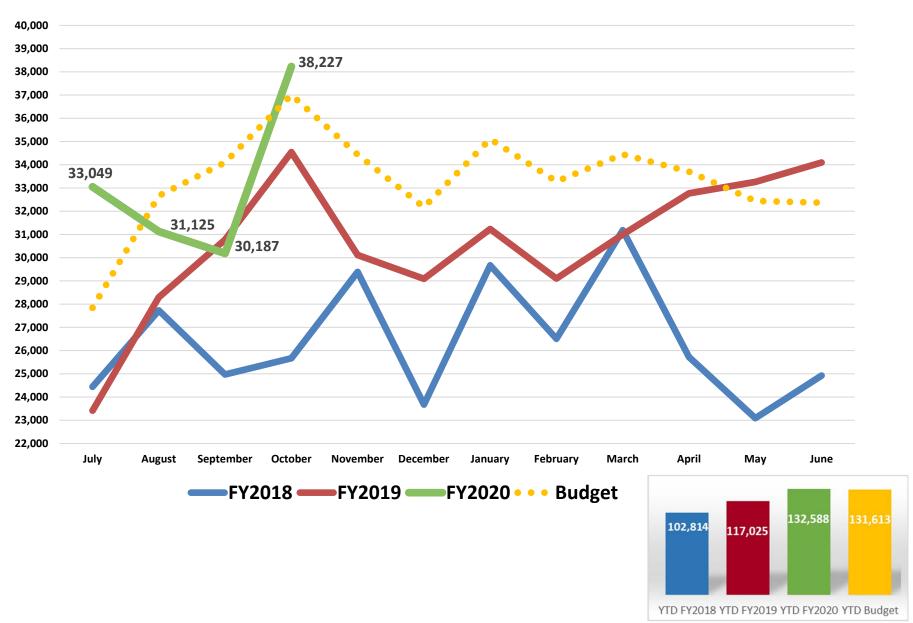
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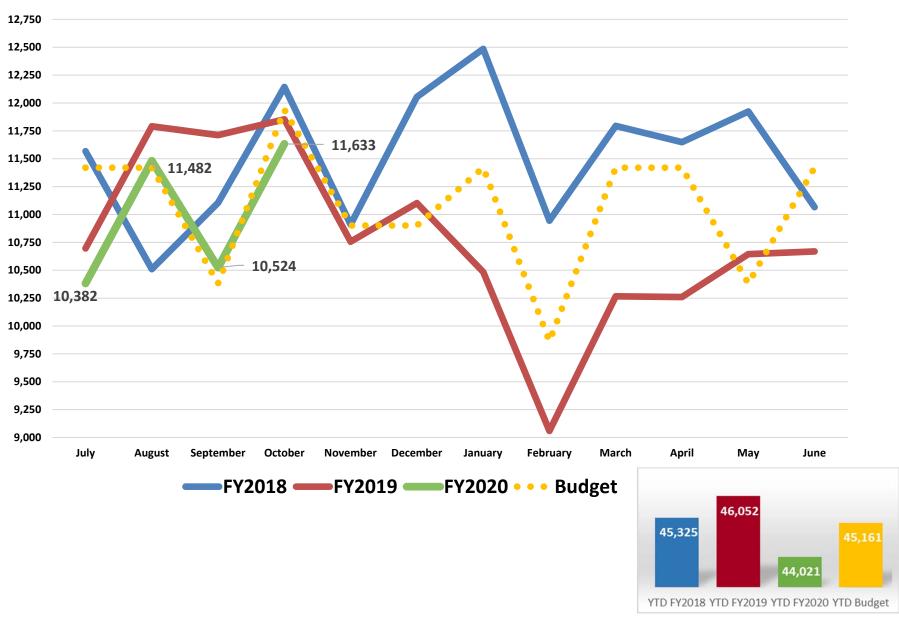
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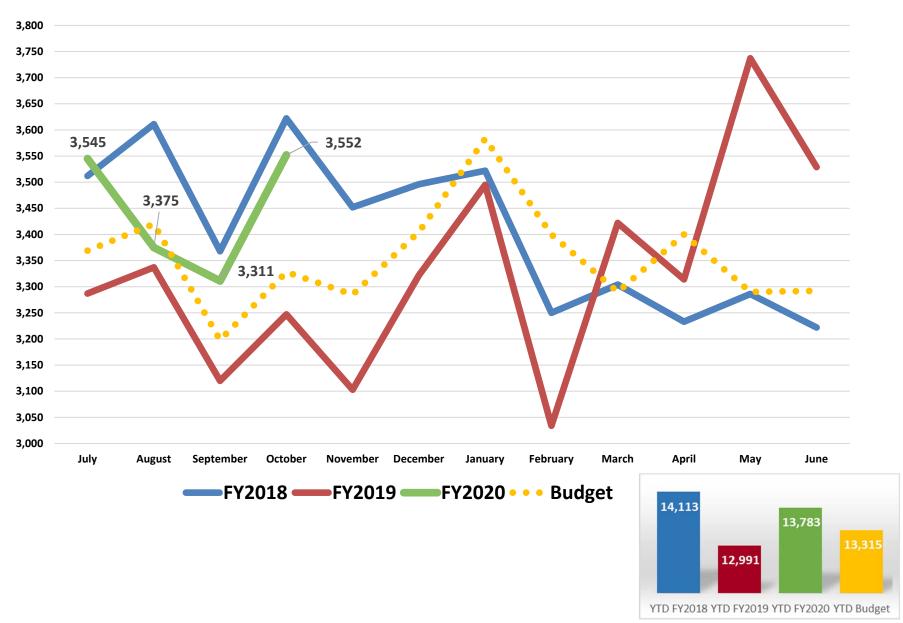
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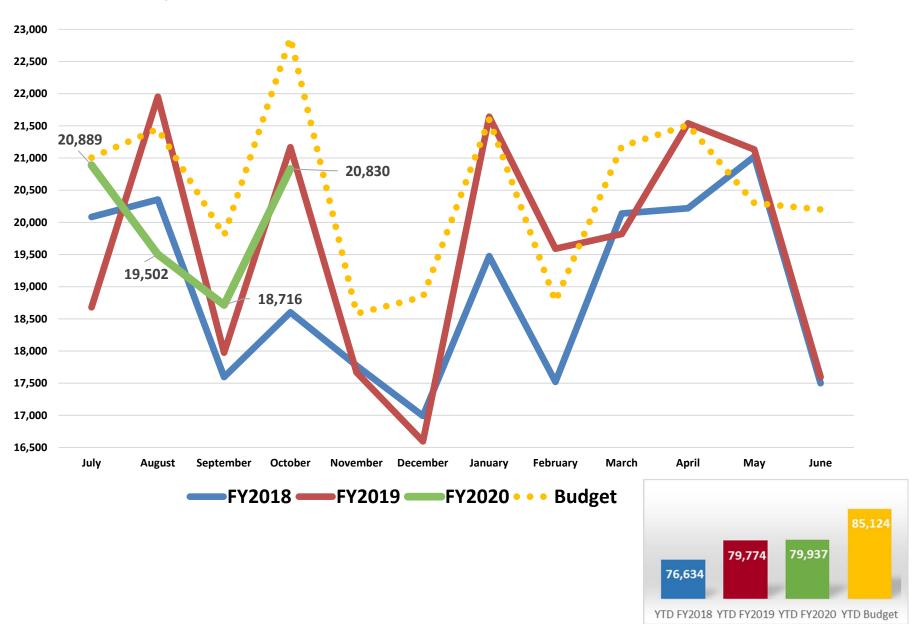
## **Home Infusion Days**



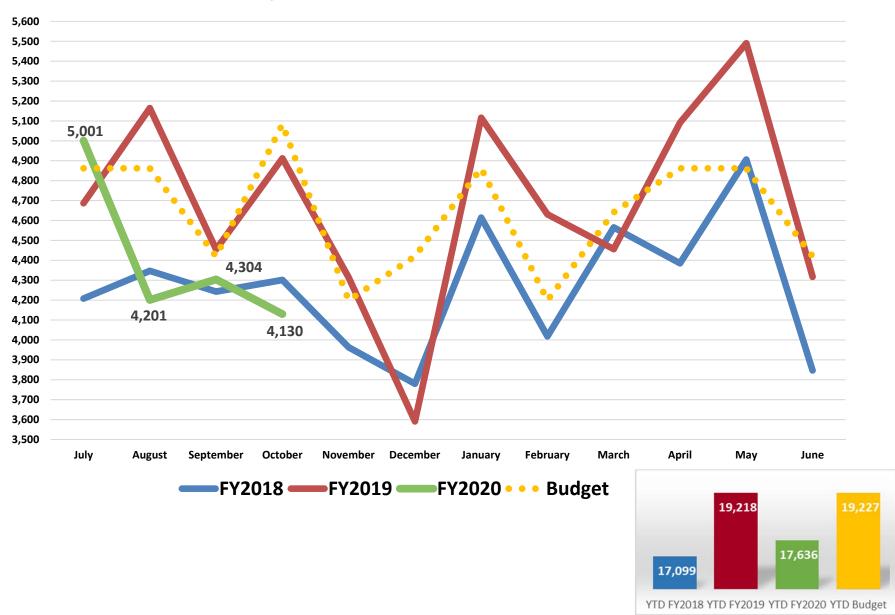
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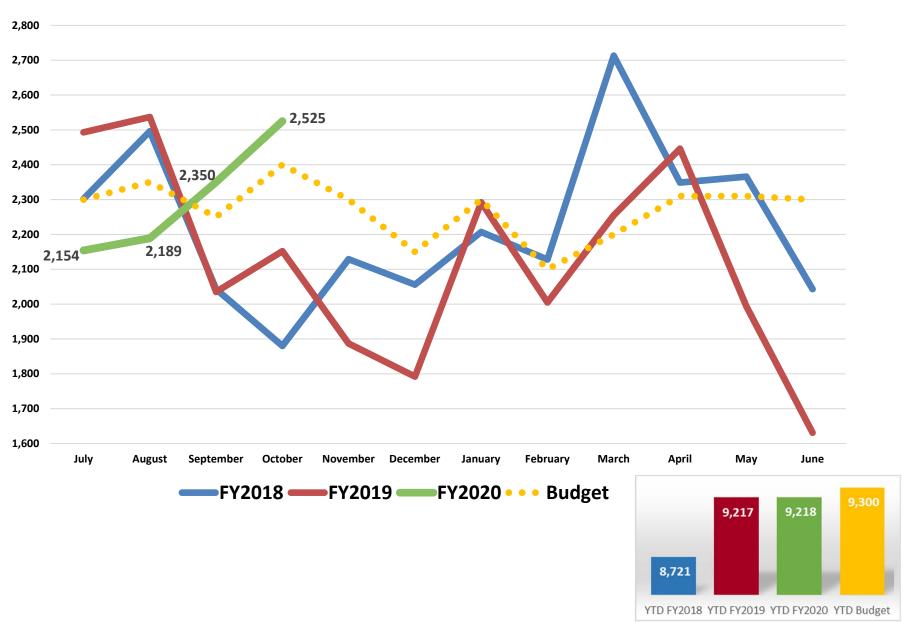
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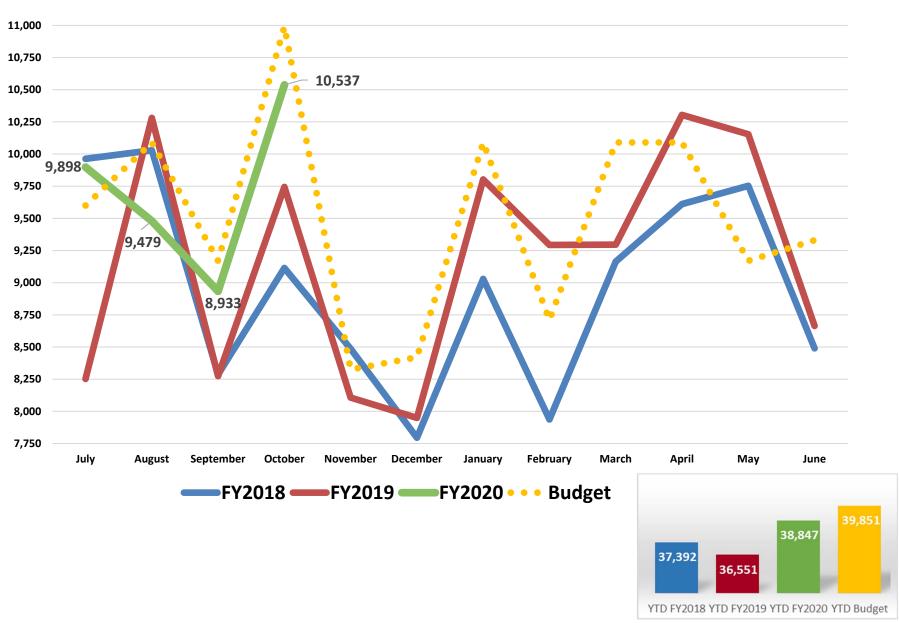
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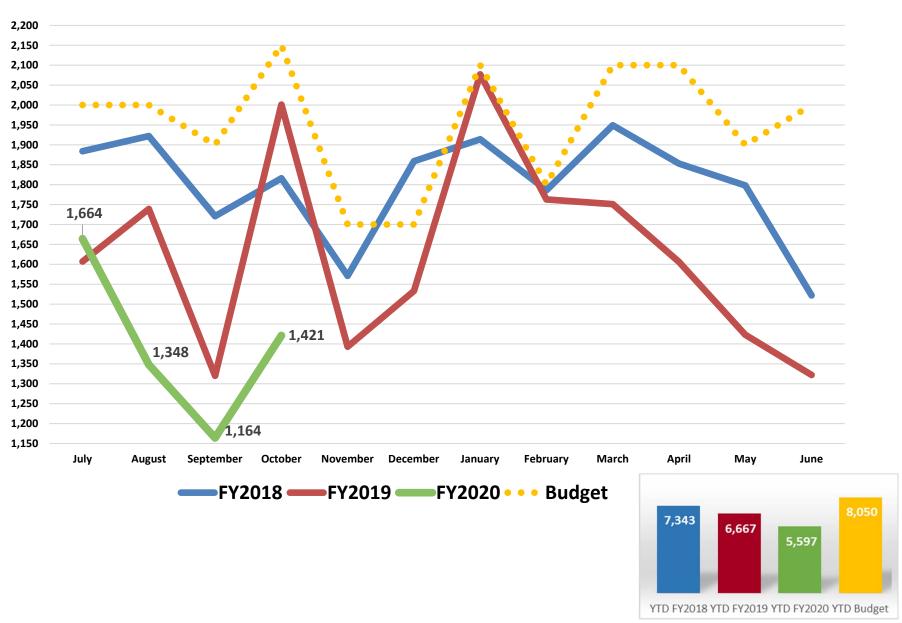
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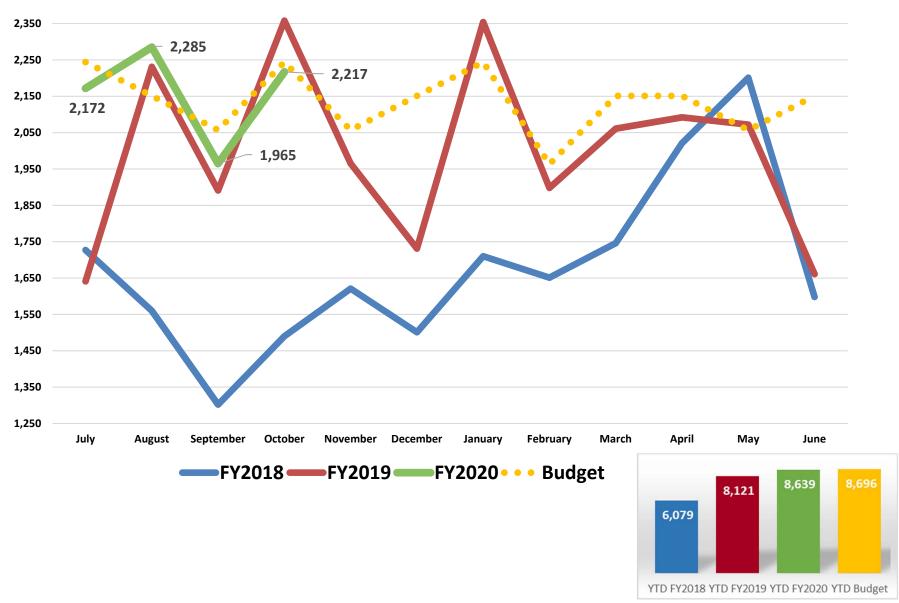
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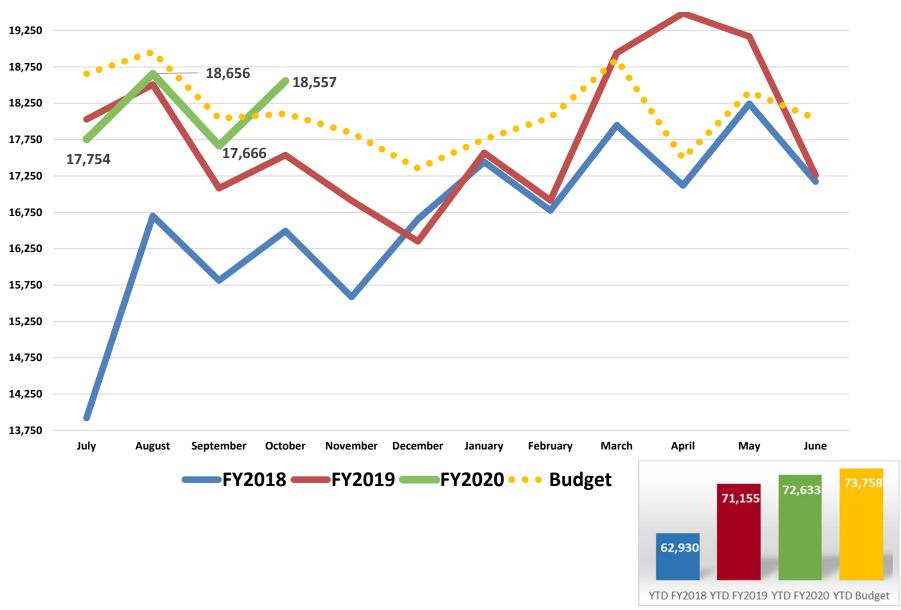
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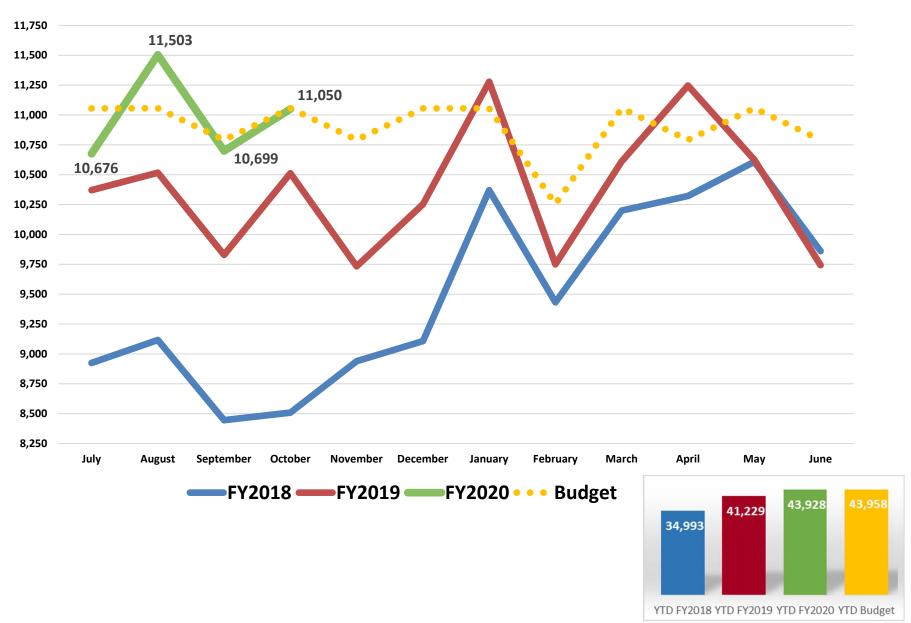
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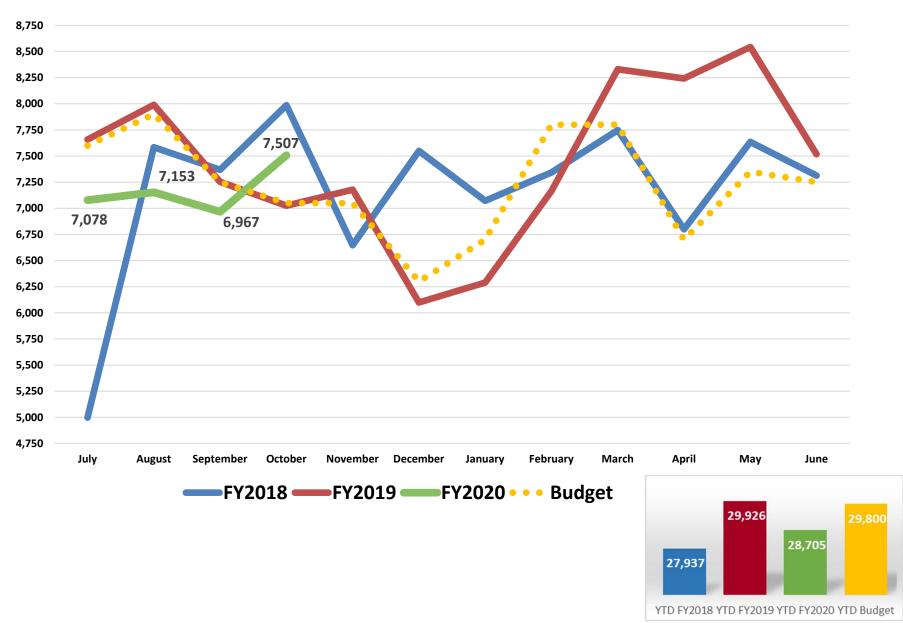
### Physical & Other Therapy Units (I/P & O/P)



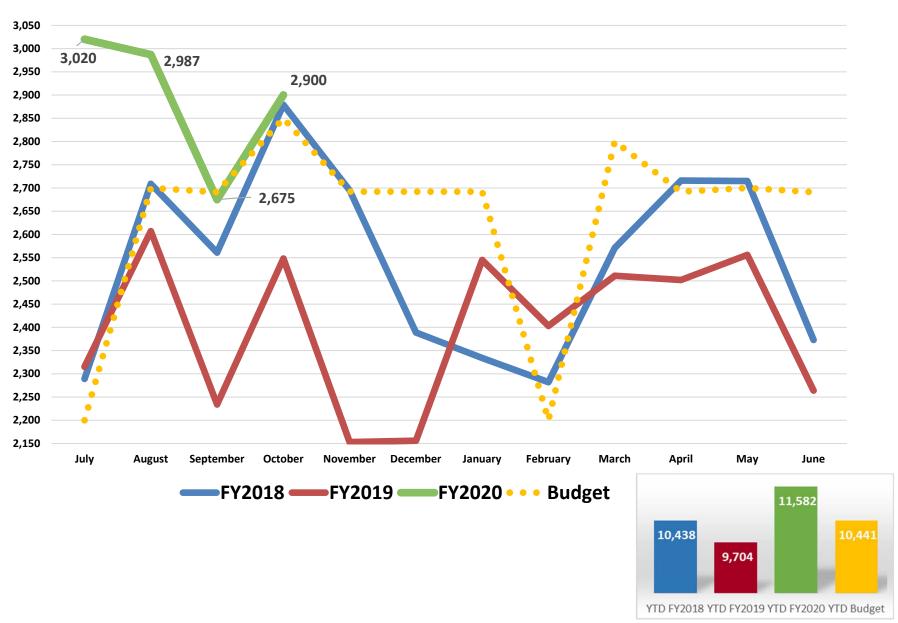
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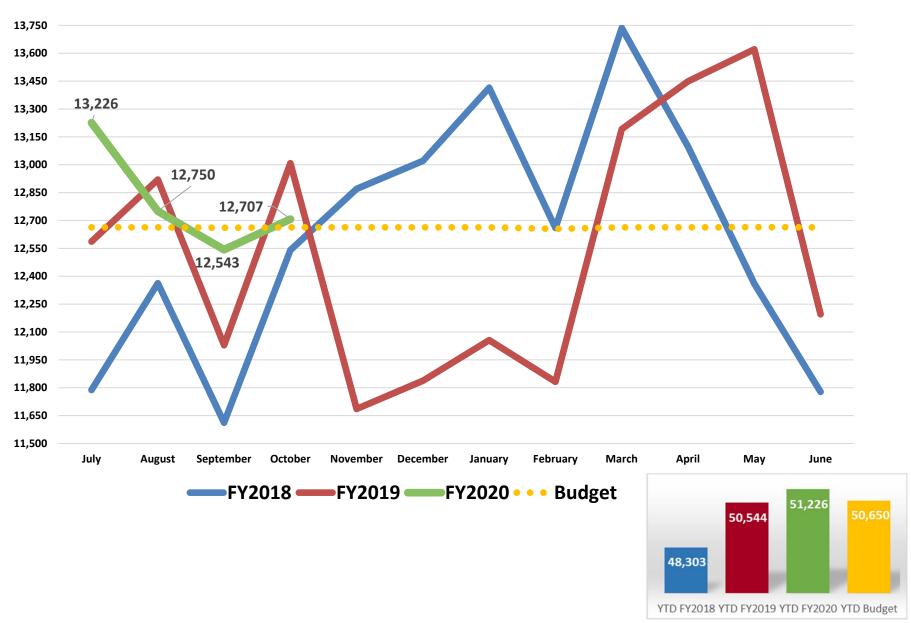
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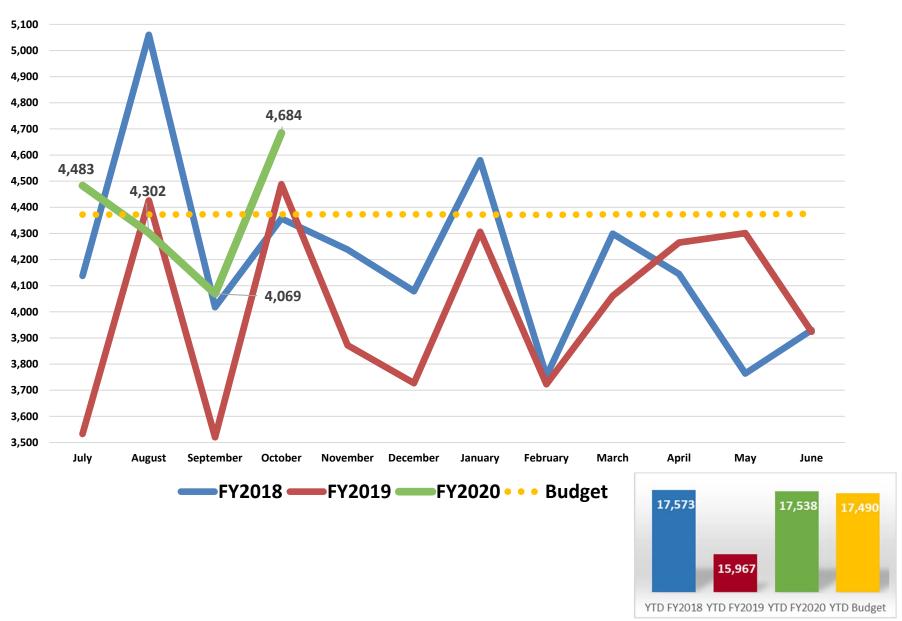
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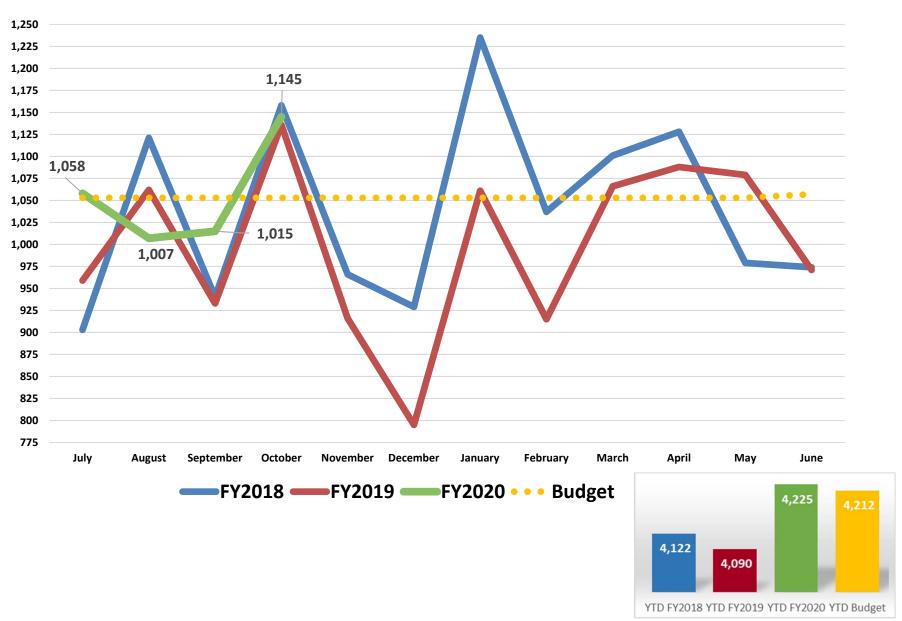
### Radiology – Main Campus



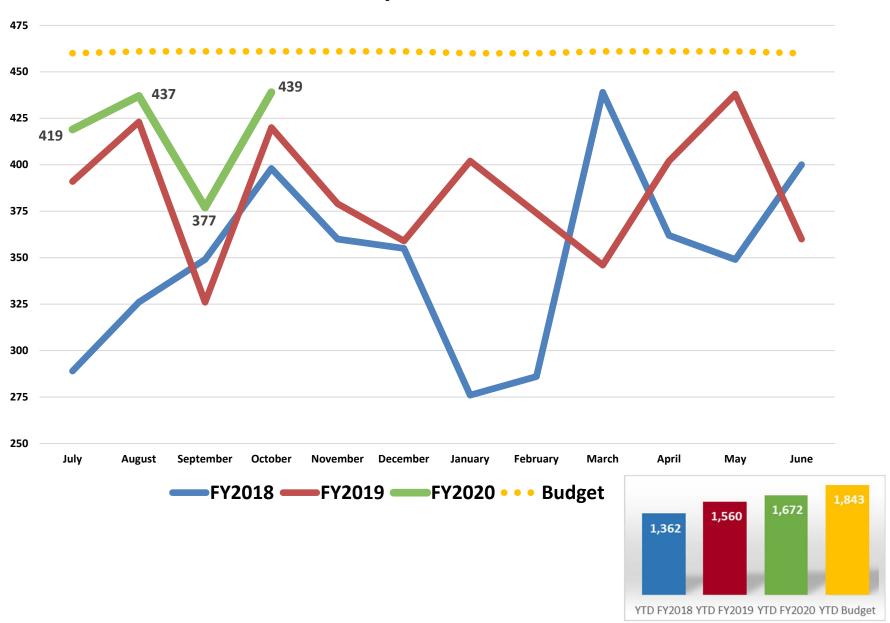
### Radiology – West Campus Imaging



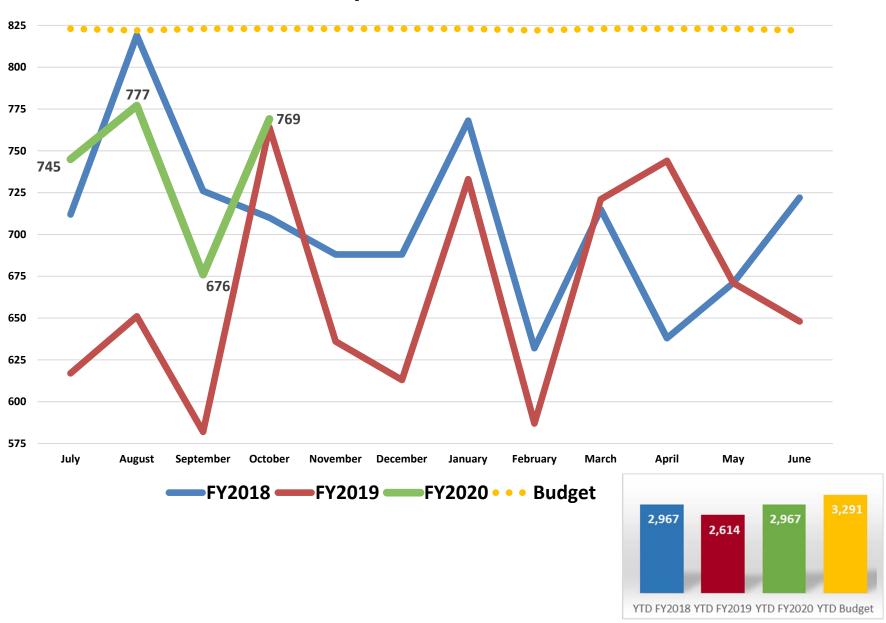
### West Campus – Diagnostic Radiology



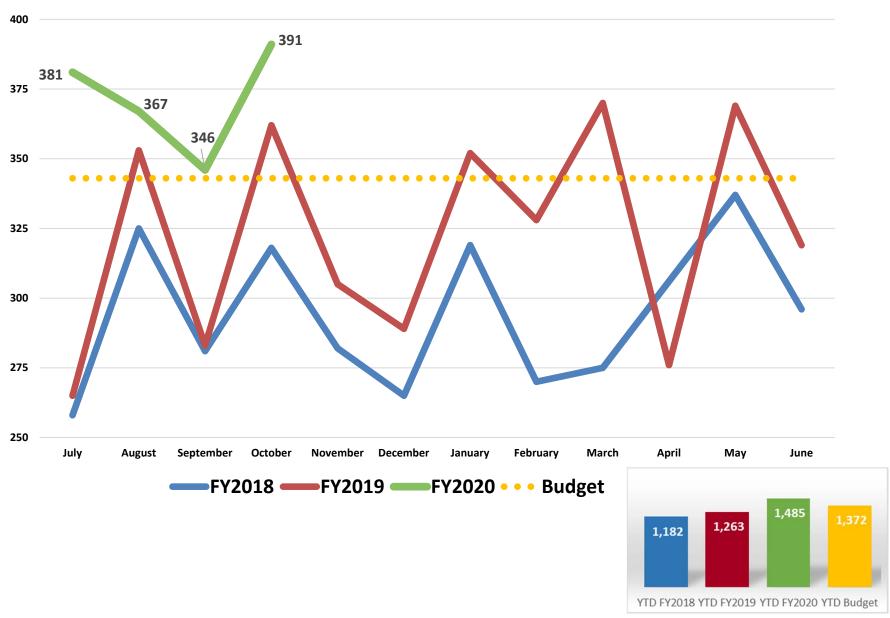
### West Campus – CT Scan



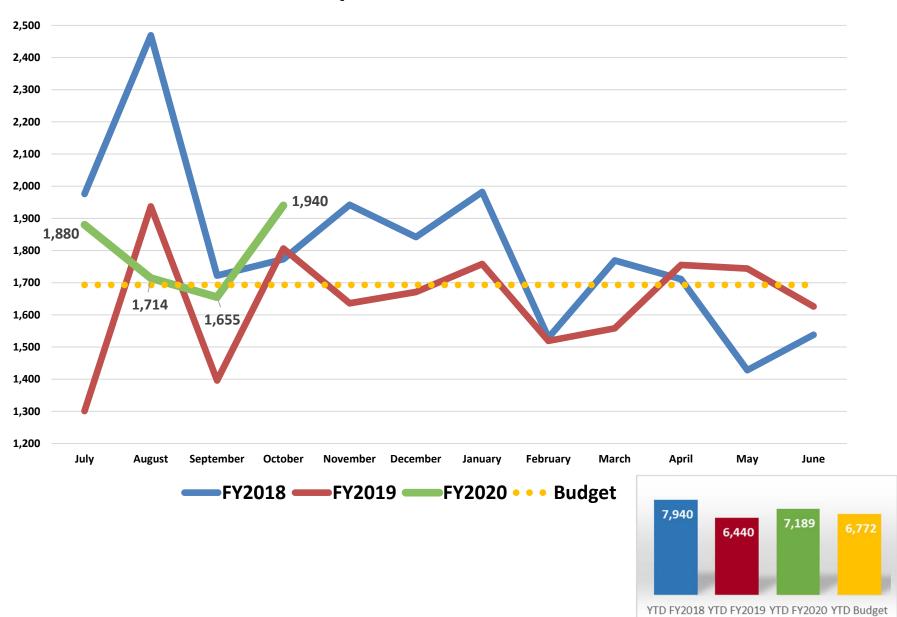
## West Campus - Ultrasound



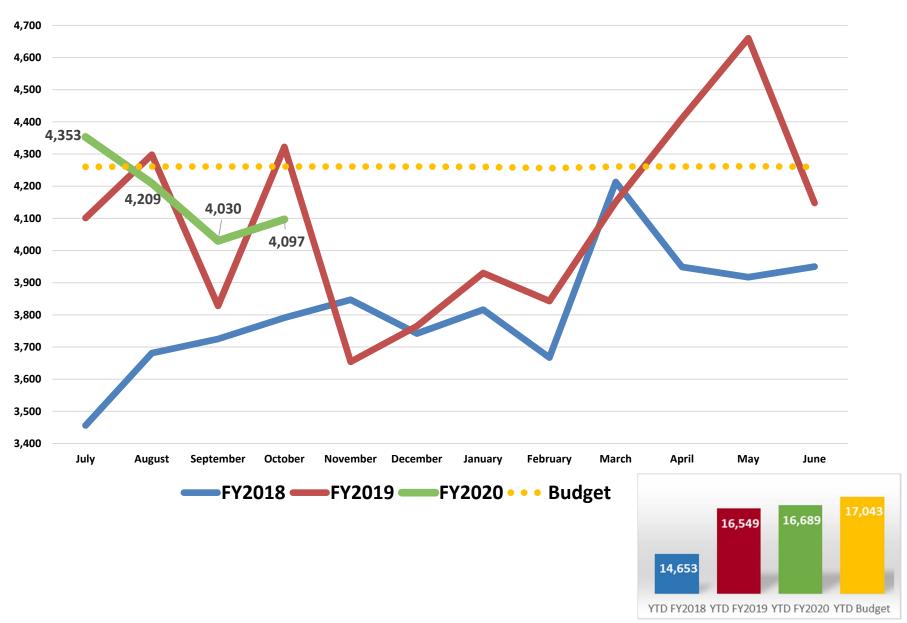
### West Campus - MRI



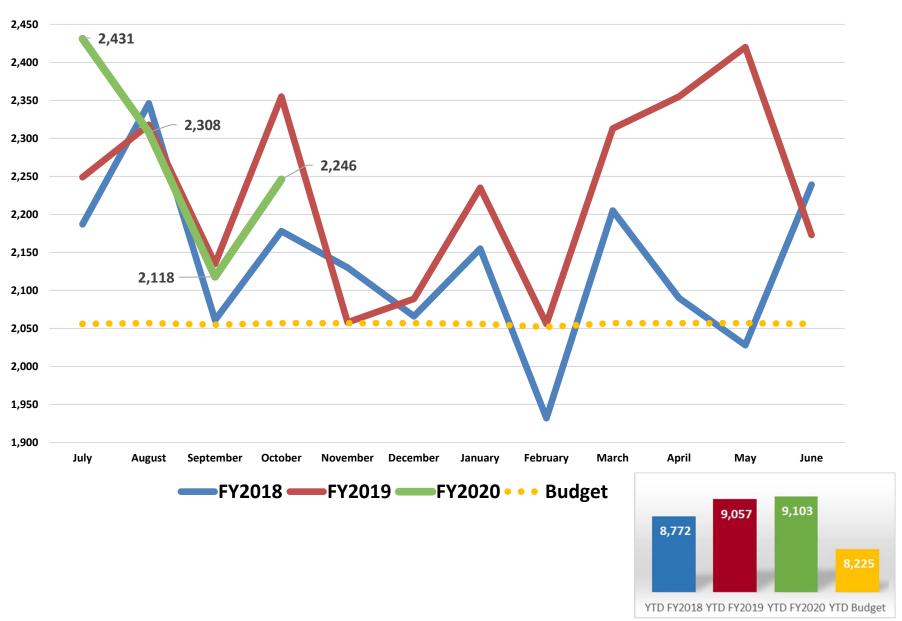
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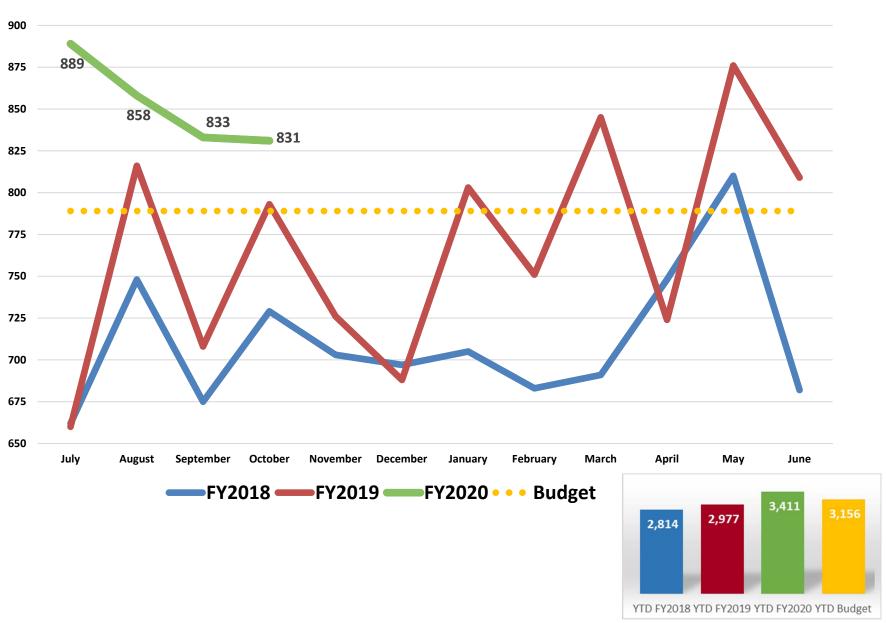
# Radiology all areas – CT



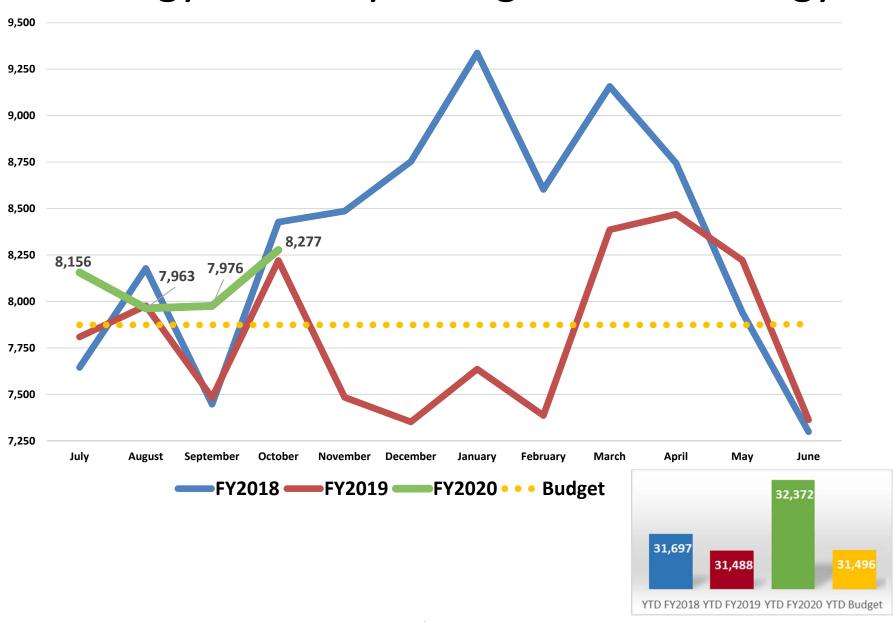
## Radiology all areas – Ultrasound



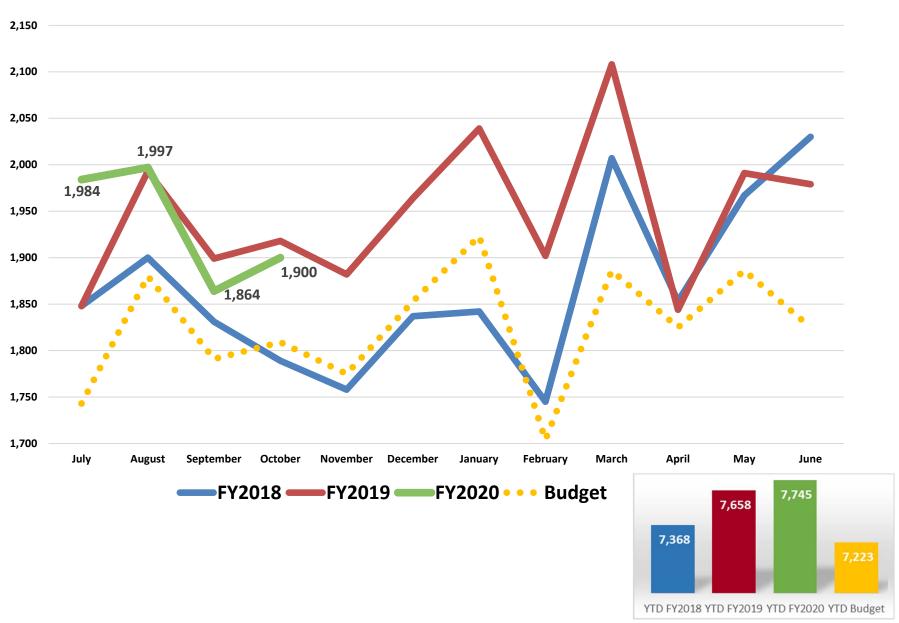
# Radiology all areas – MRI



### Radiology Modality – Diagnostic Radiology

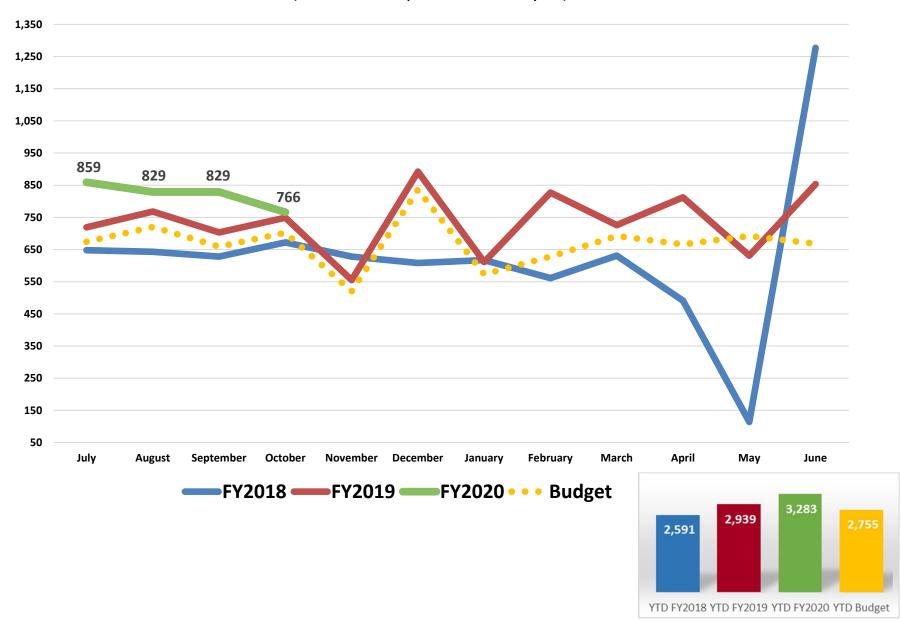


## Chronic Dialysis - Visalia



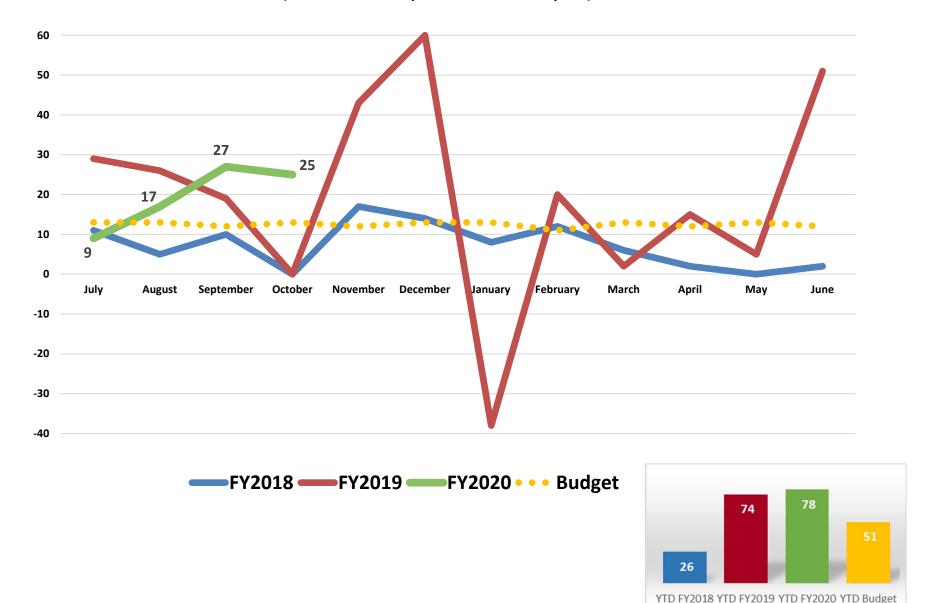
### CAPD/CCPD – Maintenance Sessions

(Continuous peritoneal dialysis)



## CAPD/CCPD – Training Sessions

(Continuous peritoneal dialysis)



### All CAPD & CCPD

