

Webinar Objectives

- Provide an overview of the methodology for Medicaid (TennCare) supplemental payments in Tennessee
- Describe the connections between the JAR and the distribution of supplemental payments for hospitals
- Discuss some common reporting issues in the JAR data that will negatively impact payment if they are not addressed
- Share the process for correcting 2020 JARs
- Discuss changes to 2022 JAR Form
- Review recent changes to DSH calculation in Consolidated Approp. Act of 2021



SFY 2023 Methodology

Virtual DSH Fund: Most sub-pools are based on points for TennCare volume, charity care, and whether the facility qualifies as having a children's hospital.

Charity Care Fund: Sub-pools are distributed based on charity care cost and/or self-pay cost.

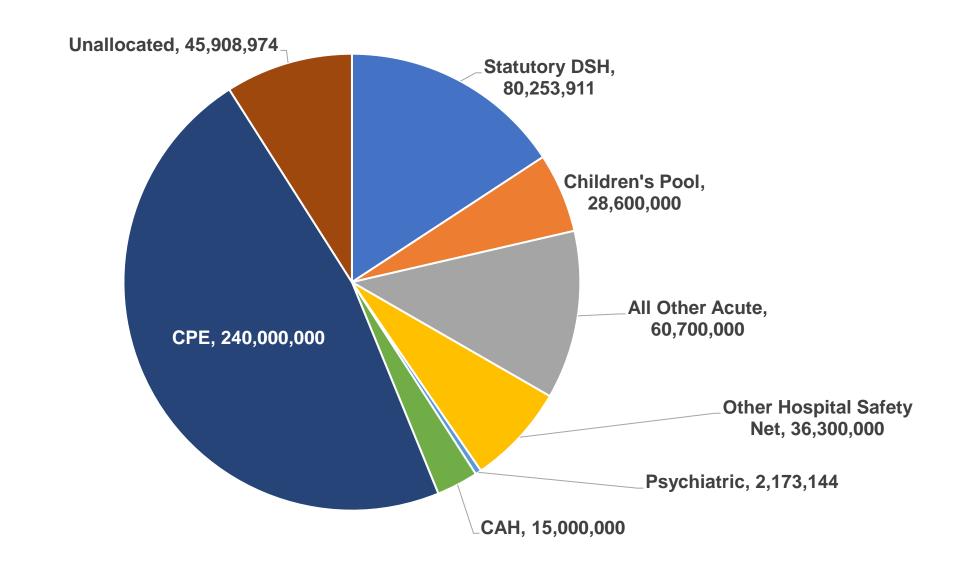
Data source will continue to be the Joint Annual Report (JAR)

 Hospitals that report under the same Medicare cost report but separate JARs will be combined

For SFY2023, all of the Virtual DSH fund will be subject to the DSH audit and to repayment

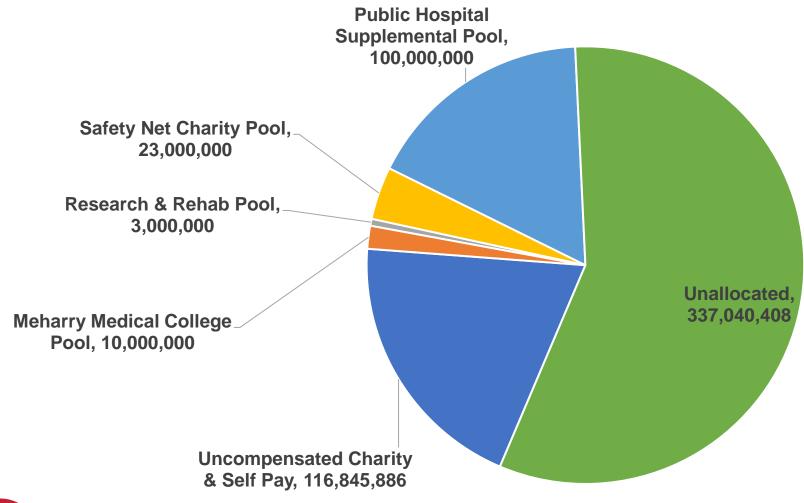


FY2023 Allocation of Virtual DSH Fund - \$508.9m





SFY2023 Allocation of Charity Care Fund - \$589.9m





JAR Connections to Pool Distributions

The JAR is the source of information for the following key statistics for Medicaid supplemental pool distribution:

- Hospital Cost to Charge Ratio
- Medicaid Shortfall (Medicaid Costs Medicaid Payments)
- Medicaid & Total Adjusted Patient Days
- Hospital Charity Care Costs
- Hospital Unreimbursed Self-pay Costs
- ➤ Total Expense, which is now relevant for the "all other acute" hospital pools to determine the tier for the hospital
- Meeting the SSA requirement of providing OB for statutory DSH based on having an obstetrics service and at least one delivery



Important JAR Definitions – Cost to Charge Ratio

Cost to charge ratio =
$$\frac{Total \, Expenses}{Total \, Charges}$$

- This ratio is used any time hospital "cost" is used in a supplemental pool distribution methodology, such as calculating Medicaid costs or charity care costs.
- In the methodology, if multiple hospitals share a Medicare provider number, the JAR data for those hospitals will be calculated using the group's total expenses and gross patient charges.



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Total expenses - Schedule E. Section B

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B. EXPENSES (for the reporting period only; round to the nearest dollar) 1. Payroll Expenses for all categories of personnel specified below; (see definitions page) a) Physicians and dentists (include only salaries)
2. Nonpayroll Expenses a) Employee benefits (social security, group insurance, retirement benefits)
d) Depreciation expense
f) Energy expense
i) Total nonpayroll expenses (add B2a through B2h)
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Total Charges - Schedule E, Section A

A CHARGES (continued)

A. CHARGES (continued)							
	Gross Patient		Adjustments		Net Pa	Net Patient	
	Charges	minus	to Charges	equals	Rev	enue	
2. Nongovernment							
a) Self Pay							
b) Blue Cross Blue Shield							
c) Commercial Insurers (excludes Workers Comp)							
d) *COMBINED Blue Cross Blue Shield and							
Commercial Insurers (excludes Workers							
Comp)							
e) Workers Compensation							
f) Other							
g) Total Nongovernment Sources							
3. Totals							
a)Total Inpatient (excludes Normal Newborn)							
b)Normal Newborns							
c) Total Inpatient (includes Normal Newborn) (A3a + A3b)							
d) Total Outpatient							
e) Grand Total (Ali + A2g)							

Important JAR Definitions – Medicaid Shortfall

Medicaid Shortfall = $(Total\ Medicaid\ Charges\ \times CCR)$ - $Medicaid\ Net\ Patient\ Revenues$

- ✓ If the Medicaid costs exceed reported Medicaid net patient revenue, then the hospital meets one of the qualifications for Virtual DSH payments.
- If costs are less than revenue, then charity care costs and unreimbursed self-pay costs must be greater than the amount of Medicaid revenue in excess of costs.

Otherwise, there is no shortfall amount to be offset by supplemental pool payments.



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Schedule F.

	Gross Patient		Adjustments to		Net Patient
	Charges	minus	Charges	equals	Revenue
1. Government					
a) Medicare Inpatient - Fee for Service					
b) Medicare Advantage - Inpatient					
c) Medicare Outpatient - Fee for Service					
d) Me disare Advantage Outpatient					
e) Medicaid TennCare Inpatient					
I. Chic Health Care Community Plan					
ii. Amerigroup					
iii. Blue Care					
iv. TennCare Select					
v. TennCare MCO not specified					
vi. Other State Madisoid					
f) Medicaid TennCare Outpatient					
i. United Health Care Community Plan					
ii. Amerigroup					
iii. Blue Care					
iv. TennCare Select					
v. TennCare MCO not specified					
vi. Other State Medicaid					
g) CoverKids					
h) Other (Include TRICARE/CHAMPUS)					
i) Total Government Sources					



Important JAR Definitions – Charity Care Cost

Charity Care Cost = $Total \ Charity \ Care \ Charges \times CCR$

Schedule E					
A. Charges					
				Adjustments to Charges	
5. Nongovernme	nt Adjustm	ents to C	harges		
a) Charity Inp	atient				
b) Charity Ou	tpatient				
c) Other Adju	stments, s	pecify typ	es		
					Total charity
					(5a + 5b)



Important JAR Definitions – Unreimbursed Self-Pay

Unreimbursed Self-Pay = $(Selfpay\ Charges\ \times CCR)$ - $Selfpay\ Net\ Patient\ Rev$

Schedule E. A. CHARGES (continued) Gross Patient Adjustments Net Patient To Charges 2. Nongovernment Charges minus equals Revenue a) Self-Pay = b) Blue Cross Blue Shield = c) Commercial Insurers (excludes Workers Comp) d) *COMBINED Blue Cross Blue Shield and Commercial Insurers (excludes Workers Comp) e) Workers Compensation f) Other g) Total Nongovernment Sources

The self-pay line should NOT have any charity care in it, as per the instructions.



3 Totals

Important JAR Definitions – Adjusted Patient Days

Total Adjusted Patient Days = Patient Days $\times (^{Total Charges}/_{Total Inpatient Charges})$

TennCare Adj. Days = $TennCare\ Inpatient\ Days\ \times (^{Total\ Medicaid\ Charges}/_{Total\ Medicaid\ IP\ Charges})$

• The statistic that is **important** when evaluating a hospital's ability to earn supplemental payments is TennCare Adjusted Days expressed as a percent of Total Adjusted Patient Days.





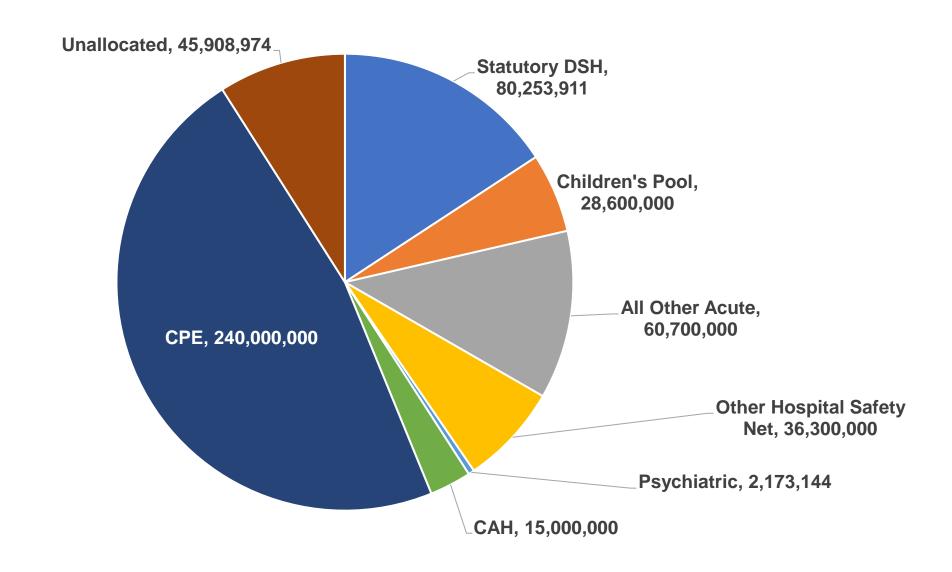
Eligibility Requirements

- Common requirements across ALL pools in Virtual DSH
 - ✓ Be licensed to operate in the State of Tennessee
 - ✓ Meets a specific TennCare volume threshold
 - ✓ Contract with TennCare Select and, where available, at least one MCO
 - ✓ Have unreimbursed Medicaid, self-pay, and/or charity care costs
 - ✓ Provide accurate and timely admission, discharge, and transfer (ADT) data to TennCare
 - ✓ Participate in the State's payment reform initiatives
- For the Charity Care pool, TennCare volume is not required
- Some sub-pools have unique requirements i.e. Psychiatric sub-pool or Research & Reimburse in the Charity Care Fund



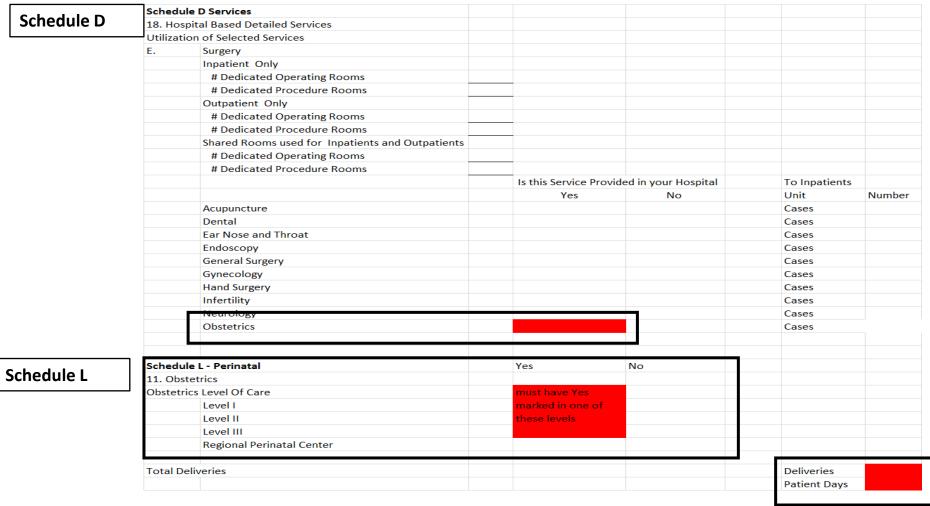


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Meeting the OB Requirement – Statutory DSH only





TennCare Volume Threshold

To qualify for Virtual DSH payments, a hospital's TennCare/Medicaid Adjusted Days percentage must be **greater than or equal to 13.5%** of Total Adjusted Days

or

The hospital's percentage is **greater than 9.5%** AND the hospital's number of TennCare Adjusted Days is **greater than the average** for all acute care hospitals

- The acute care hospital average <u>excludes</u> the following hospitals:
 - state mental health institutes
 - critical access hospitals
 - children's hospitals
 - essential safety net providers

Medicaid Adj. Days Total Adj. Days



How is a Hospital's Payment Determined - Virtual DSH Fund

- Virtual DSH payments are allocated based on assignment of points for:
 - TennCare volume 0 through 4
 - Level of charity care 0 through 3
 - Children's hospital status 1 point

- TennCare volume is defined as the percent of a hospital's total adjusted days that are covered by TennCare
- Charity Care costs are as a percent of Total Expenses
- Children's hospital a free standing hospital that serves primarily children under 18
 years of age and is identified to the public as a children's hospital with a separate
 emergency department staffed and equipped to provide emergency services to pediatric
 patients



Adjusted Patient Days & Supplemental Payment Points

 In addition to determining whether a hospital qualifies for payment, the Medicaid adjusted days percentage is also used to determine a point value for a hospital with respect to the amount of Medicaid volume in the hospital.

Higher Medicaid volume hospitals receive a higher point value as shown below:

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■ 1 point — Percentage ≥ 9.5% and < 13.5% and Medicaid adjusted days is greater than the average for acute care hospital group
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■ 1 point — Percentage ≥ 13.5% and ≤ 24.5%
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- 2 points Percentage > 24.5% and ≤ 30.5%
- 3 points Percentage > 30.5% and ≤ 49.5%
- 4 points Percentage > 49.5%



Medicaid Adj. Days Total Adj. Days

Charity Care Percent & Supplemental Pool Points

 The total charity care cost is divided by total expenses to produce a charity care percentage that earns points for a facility when calculating supplemental payments.

Hospitals with higher charity care receive a higher point value as shown below:

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■ 0 points- Percentage < 0.5%
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- 1 point Percentage ≥ 0.5% and < 4.5%
- 2 points- Percentage ≥ 4.5% and < 10.0%
- 3 points- Percentage ≥ 10.0%



The Relationship Between Points & Payments

- Virtual DSH pools will continue to use the Tennessee Medicaid historical General Hospital Rate (GHR) to calculate payment shares within pools.
 - The GHR for Safety Net Hospitals is \$908.52
 - The GHR for all other hospitals is \$674.11
- The hospital's number of points determines the percentage of GHR that is multiplied by the hospital's adjusted Medicaid days to calculate an initial payment amount for each facility.
- If the sum of the initial payment amounts exceeds the amount allocated to the pool, each hospital's share of the pool is calculated as the hospital's percent of the total initial amount times the total amount in the pool.



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- Point values that determine the percentage of the GHR:

Points	% of GHR	Safety Net	All Other
1	30%	272.56	202.23
2	40%	363.41	269.64
3	50%	454.26	337.06
4	60%	545.11	404.47
5	70%	635.96	471.88
6	80%	726.82	539.29
7	100%	908.52	674.11



Example of Points Impact - \$10m Pool

Acute Care Hospital A

- Acute Care Hospital A has 9,000 adjusted Medicaid Days & 50,000 total adjusted days
- Percent of adjusted Medicaid days is 18% (9,000/50,000), earning 1 point
- No charity point
- Does not have a children's hospital
- Hospital A's initial calculated amount would be:
- $9,000 \times (30\% \text{ of GHR}) = 9,000 \times \$202.23 = \$1,820,097$

Acute Care Hospital B

- Acute Care Hospital B has 9,000 adjusted Medicaid Days & 36,000 total adjusted days
- Percentage of adjusted Medicaid days is 25% (9,000/36,000), earning 2 points
- No charity point
- Has a children's hospitals, earning 1 point
- Hospital B's initial calculated amount calculated amount would be:
- $9,000 \times (50\% \text{ of GHR}) = 9,000 \times \$337.06 = \$3,033,540$

Total initial amounts in the pool = \$60 million

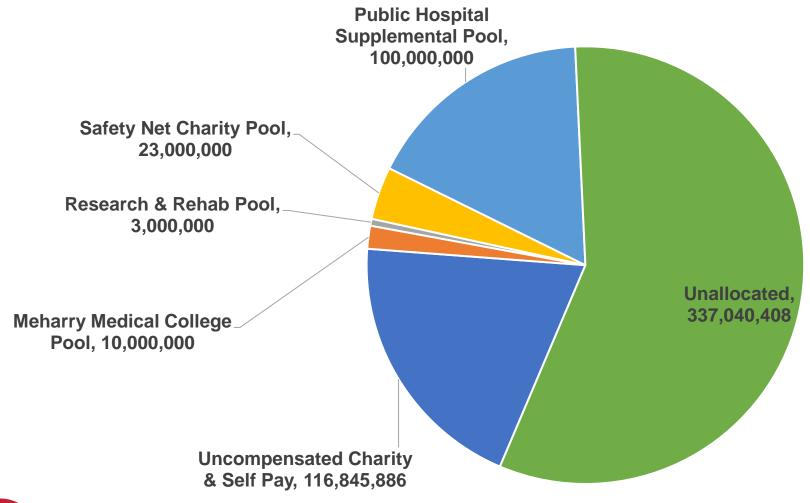
Hospital A - \$1,820,097 / \$60m = 3.0335% 3.0335% x 10m = \$303,350

Hospital B - \$ 3,033,540 / \$60m = 5.0559% 5.0559% x \$10m = \$505,590





SFY2023 Allocation of Charity Care Fund \$589.9m





How is a Hospital's Payment Determined - Charity Care Fund

- Almost all charity care payments are allocated based on a hospital's proportion of charity care cost, unreimbursed self-pay cost, or both.
 - Safety Net Charity Non-Public Safety Nets distributed based on the individual hospital's proportion of the total unreimbursed self-pay cost
 - Research & Rehabilitation IRF, LTCH, and pediatric research hospital distributed based on each facility's proportion of the total unreimbursed charity care costs



Unreimbursed Charity & Self-Pay Sub Pool

- Approved by CMS in April 2020
- Eligibility for the pool:
 - Must be licensed in Tennessee
 - Must be eligible for a payment from any other sub-pool
 - Can not have received an allotment from the public hospital charity care sub-pool
 - · Not a children's research facility
 - ✓ Contract with TennCare Select and, where available, at least one MCO
 - ✓ Have remaining unreimbursed self-pay and/or charity care costs
 - ✓ Provide accurate and timely admission, discharge, and transfer (ADT) data to TennCare
 - ✓ Participate in the State's payment reform initiatives



New Charity & Self-Pay

- Due to how this pool is calculated, it is the final pool amount determined during the methodology
 - After all other sub-pools are calculated (Virtual DSH, statutory DSH, CPE, CAH and other charity care pools)
- TennCare has determined that this pool will be paid in <u>one lump-sum payment</u> at end of fiscal year
- TennCare also divided this pool into two tiers:
 - Public Hospitals: \$14,430,000
 - Non-Public Hospitals: \$102,415,886



Methodology

1. Calculate each facility's Virtual DSH and Charity Fund payments from other pools (rolled up to the cost report level)

2. Calculate each facility's unreimbursed TennCare costs, charity costs and unreimbursed self-pay costs

3. Offset the total unreimbursed costs by the calculated Virtual DSH and other Charity Pool payments, including CPE, by first exhausting the remaining TennCare costs, then charity costs, and finally self-pay costs, to calculate the remaining unreimbursed charity and self-pay costs

4. Apply each facility's proportional amount of the remaining unreimbursed costs to the total pool amount to calculate each facility's payment

5. Cap a hospital at 10% of the total pool, and recalculate the proportions for the remaining hospitals



Example of Payment - Public \$14.3m Pool

Hospital A	Supp. Pool Amount
Virtual DSH (4Q)	\$ 303,350
Statutory DSH	250,000
CPE	100,000
Total	\$ 653,350

1.	\$ 325,000 - 653,350 =
2	\$ 350,000 + (328,350) =

3.	\$	25,350 + 180,000	=
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Medicaid Shortfall				ity Care
	\$ 325,000	350,000		180,000
1.	(328,350)			
		2. 25,350		
			3.	201,650



In this example, total remaining UCC = \$20m Hospital A = 1.01% (201,650 / \$20m) Hospital A would receive \$145,490 (1.01% x \$14.3m)

Revising the Joint Annual Report

- TDH will accept changes to the 2020 JAR but will not update the final 2020 JAR data base
 - THA will make the corrections to our 2020 data base
 - THA must be copied on all e-mails sending corrections and on TDH's e-mail back to the hospital accepting the correction
 - THA & TDH maintain this documentation in the event there are ever questions or audits
- The THA corrected data base will serve as the official data base for TennCare pool calculations



Revising the Joint Annual Report

- Corrections for the 2020 JAR may be legibly marked on a copy of the pages from the original JAR submission that are to be revised
- If in Excel, please highlight the fields that are being changed.
- E-mail changes to Lonnie Matthews at <u>Lonnie.Matthews@tn.gov</u> and Trent Sansing <u>Trent.Sansing@tn.gov</u> with the Department of Health
 - Copy THA (Amanda Newell, <u>anewell@tha.com</u>) on the email
- Corrections should be <u>submitted by July 15</u>.
- Going forward, no corrections will be accepted after the 1st quarter of payments have been made.





Changes to 2021 JAR Form

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CHARGES (continued)	
7. Other Operating Revenue	
a) Tax appropriations	
 b) Local government contributions: 	
 Amount designated to offset indigent care 	
2) Amount used for other	
3) Total Local Government	
c) State government contributions:	LBOH .
1) Essential Access Hospital (EAH) payments Virtual	ual DSH payments
2) Charity Care Payments	
a) Charity & Self-Pay Payments	
b) Other charity payments	
 Critical Access Hospital (CAH) payments 	
 a) cost based reimbursement payments 	
b) charity care payments	
 4) Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) 	
 Medicaid Graduate Medical Education (GME) 	
6) Medicaid Directed Payments	
7) Trauma Care Pool	
8) Public Hospital Supplemental Payment (PHSP) pool	
9) Amount used for other or amount designated	
for offset indigent care	
10) Total State Government	
d) Direct Federal government contributions:	
1) Funds designated to offset financial	
impact during a public health emergency	
2) Amount used for other	
3) Total Direct Federal Government	.
e) Other (include cafeteria, gift shop, etc.)	
f) Retail Pharmacy Revenue	
g) Total other operating revenue	

(A7a + A7b3 + A7c10 + A7d3+A7e+A7f)

- Nomenclature changes to match current pools
- New portion to record COVID-19 funding and other federal contributions (COVID and non-COVID)





Consolidated Appropriations Act 2021

- Congressional action at end of year changed calculation for DSH
- Following MACPAC recommendation, omits all costs for Medicaideligible patients with third-party sources where the third-party is primary payer
- Removes Medicare & commercial payments, but also removes the previously acceptable costs associated with those enrollees
- Effective date: Oct. 1, 2021, SFY2022



DSH Calculation Changes

Cost

Medicaid enrolled, even with other insurance, uninsured

Payment

Medicaid & Medicare crossovers (with Medicaid secondary)

2017 DSH Audit Rule

Audits pre-

June 2, 2017

Medicaid enrolled, even with other insurance, uninsured

Medicaid, Medicare crossovers, & other Medicaid-secondary

Cons. Approp. Act Eff. Oct. 1, 2021 Medicaid as primary payer, uninsured



Medicaid as primary payer



Questions

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