

# INTRODUCTION TO ACUTE HOSPITAL PROFILES

An **acute hospital** is a hospital that is licensed by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, which contains a majority of medical-surgical, pediatric, obstetric, and maternity beds.

Each hospital is assigned to a cohort of similar hospitals: Academic Medical Centers (AMCs), teaching hospitals, community hospitals, and community-High Public Payer (HPP) hospitals. When presenting trends for utilization, costs, financial performance, and quality, baseline data for each hospital's cohort provides a point of comparison. Specialty hospitals may be included in statewide analyses, but are not identified with a distinct cohort.

**Academic Medical Centers (AMCs)** are a subset of teaching hospitals. AMCs are characterized by extensive research and teaching programs, comprehensive resources for tertiary and quaternary care, being principal teaching hospitals for their respective medical schools, and being full service hospitals with case mix intensity greater than 5% above the statewide average.

## AMC Cohort [page A1](#)

Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center	Tufts Medical Center
Massachusetts General Hospital	Brigham and Women's Hospital
Boston Medical Center	UMass Memorial Medical Center

**Teaching hospitals** are hospitals that report at least 25 full-time equivalent medical school residents per one hundred inpatient beds in accordance with the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC) and are not classified as AMCs.

## Teaching Cohort [page A7](#)

Baystate Medical Center	Saint Vincent Hospital
Cambridge Health Alliance	Steward Carney Hospital
Lahey Hospital & Medical Center	Steward St. Elizabeth's Medical Center
Mount Auburn Hospital	

**Community hospitals** are hospitals that do not meet the MedPAC definition to be classified as teaching hospitals and have a public payer mix of less than 63%.

## Community Hospital Cohort [page A14](#)

Anna Jaques Hospital	Martha's Vineyard Hospital
Baystate Mary Lane Hospital	Milford Regional Medical Center
Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital - Milton	Nantucket Cottage Hospital
Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital - Needham	Newton-Wellesley Hospital
Brigham and Women's Faulkner Hospital	South Shore Hospital
Cooley Dickinson Hospital	Steward Norwood Hospital
Emerson Hospital	Winchester Hospital
Heywood Hospital	

**Community-High Public Payer (HPP)** hospitals are community hospitals that have 63% or greater of Gross Patient Service Revenue (GPSR) attributable to Medicare, MassHealth, and other government payers, including the Health Safety Net.

## Community-High Public Payer (HPP) Cohort page A29

Athol Hospital	Lowell General Hospital
Baystate Franklin Medical Center	Marlborough Hospital
Baystate Noble Hospital	Mercy Medical Center
Baystate Wing Hospital	MetroWest Medical Center
Berkshire Medical Center	Morton Hospital
Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital - Plymouth	Nashoba Valley Medical Center
Cape Cod Hospital	North Shore Medical Center
Clinton Hospital	Northeast Hospital
Fairview Hospital	Signature Healthcare Brockton Hospital
Falmouth Hospital	Southcoast Hospitals Group
Hallmark Health	Steward Good Samaritan Medical Center
Harrington Memorial Hospital	Steward Holy Family Hospital
HealthAlliance Hospital	Steward Saint Anne's Hospital
Holyoke Medical Center	Sturdy Memorial Hospital
Lawrence General Hospital	

**Specialty hospitals** are not included in any cohort comparison analysis due to the unique patient populations they serve and/or the unique sets of services they provide. Specialty hospitals may be included in statewide analyses.

## Specialty Hospitals page A58

Boston Children's Hospital	New England Baptist Hospital
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute	Shriners Hospitals for Children - Boston
Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary	Shriners Hospitals for Children - Springfield

When presenting hospital service data, CHIA assigned acute hospitals to eight geographic regions. These regions are based on the sixteen geographic regions defined by the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission, which were created by consolidating the 66 Dartmouth Atlas Hospital Services Areas.

To view a list of the hospitals within each region, please see the technical appendix.

