LOWELL GENERAL HOSPITAL

2019 Hospital Profile

Lowell, MA
Community-High Public Payer Hospital
Northeastern Massachusetts

Lowell General Hospital is a non-profit community-High Public Payer (HPP) hospital located in the Northeastern Massachusetts region. It is among the larger acute hospitals in Massachusetts. Lowell General Hospital is a member of Wellforce. Between FY15 and FY19, the volume of inpatient discharges at the hospital decreased by 7.1% compared to a median decrease of 2.7% at cohort hospitals. Outpatient visits decreased by 3.8% for the hospital between FY15 and FY19, compared to a median increase of 2.1% for its peer cohort. Lowell General reported a profit in each year of the five-year period. Its total margin was 3.0% as compared to the median total margin of 3.3% at peer cohort hospitals.

Overview / Size

Hospital System Affiliation: Wellforce
Hospital System Surplus (Deficit) in FY19: \$129,458,000
Change in Ownership (FY15-19): Not Applicable
Total Staffed Beds: 353, among the larger acute hospitals
% Occupancy: 63.6%, < cohort avg. (66%)
Special Public Funding: HCIIⁿ, CHRTF°
Trauma Center Designation: Adult: Level 3

Case Mix Index: 0.95, < cohort avg. (0.96); < statewide (1.16)

Financial

 Inpatient NPSR per CMAD:
 \$10,591

 Change FY18-FY19:
 -7.4%

 Inpatient: Outpatient Revenue in FY19:
 33%:67%

 Outpatient Revenue in FY19:
 \$249,463,397

 Change FY18-FY19:
 10.3%

 Total Revenue in FY19:
 \$472,854,000

 Total Surplus (Deficit) in FY19:
 \$14,087,000

Payer Mix

Public Payer Mix: 65.7% (HPP* Hospital)
CY18 Commercial Statewide Relative Price: 0.83
Top 3 Commercial Payers: Blue Cross Blue Shield
Harvard Pilgrim
Tufts HMO

Utilization

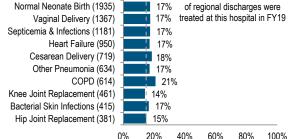
Inpatient Discharges in FY19:	20,396
Change FY18-FY19:	-5.5%
Emergency Department Visits in FY19:	97,257
Change FY18-FY19:	-2.0%
Outpatient Visits in FY19:	181,329
Change FY18-FY19:	-8.7%

Quality

Readmission Rate in FY18: 15.6%
Change FY14-FY18 (percentage points): 0.6
Early Elective Deliveries Rate: 2.3%

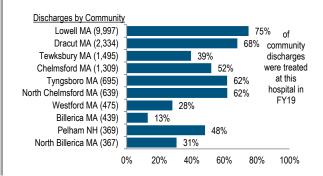
What were the most common inpatient cases (DRGs) treated at the hospital in FY19? What proportion of the region's cases did this hospital treat for each service?

Discharges by DRG
Normal Ne

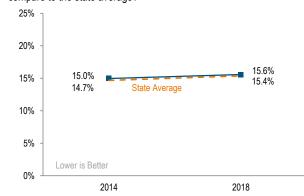


--- Hospital (20,396) = 15% of total regional discharges

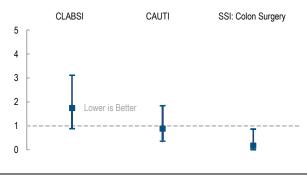
Where did most of the hospital's inpatients reside? What proportion of each community's total discharges was attributed to this hospital?



What proportion of adult patient discharges from this hospital resulted in a readmission at any hospital within 30 days, and how does this compare to the state average?



How many central line-associated blood stream infections (CLABSI), catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTI), and surgical site infections (SSI) after colon surgery did patients get at this hospital compared to what was expected based on the hospital's characteristics and case mix?

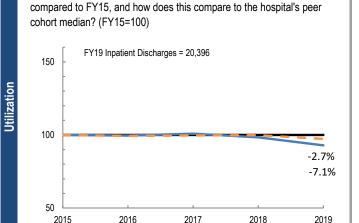


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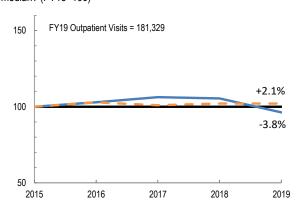
How has the volume of the hospital's inpatient discharges changed

Cohort: Community-High Public Payer Hospital





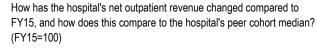
How has the volume of the hospital's outpatient visits changed compared to FY15, and how does this compare to the hospital's peer cohort median? (FY15=100)

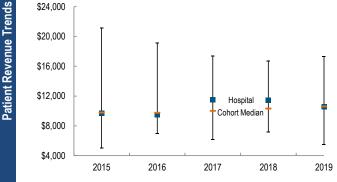


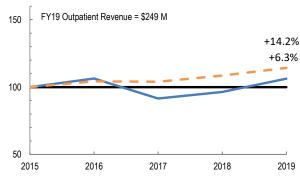
What was the hospital's net inpatient service revenue per case mix adjusted discharge between FY15 and FY19, and how does this compare to the hospital's peer cohort median?

\$24,000

\$20,000





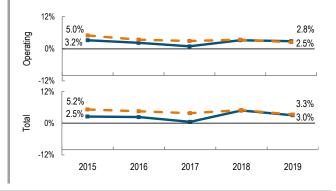


How have the hospital's total revenue and costs changed between FY15 and FY19?

Revenue, Cost, & Profit/Loss (in millions)

FY	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Operating Revenue	\$ 430.2	\$ 441.4	\$ 451.8	472.6 \$	472.0
Non-Operating Revenue	\$ (2.9)	\$ 0.8	\$ (1.8)	7.7 \$	0.9
Total Revenue	\$ 427.4	\$ 442.1	\$ 449.9	480.3 \$	472.9
Total Costs	\$ 416.7	\$ 431.8	\$ 447.6	3 457.1 \$	458.8
Total Profit (Loss)	\$ 10.7	\$ 10.4	\$ 2.3 \$	5 23.2 \$	14.1

What were the hospital's total margin and operating margins between FY15 and FY19, and how do these compare to the hospital's peer cohort medians?



For descriptions of the metrics, please see the technical appendix.

Financial Performance

θ For more information on Community Hospital Reinvestment Trust Fund (CHRTF) special funding, please contact the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS). η For more information on Health Care Innovation Investment Program (HCII) special funding, please contact the Health Policy Commission (HPC).

^{*} High Public Payer Hospitals (HPP) receive a minimum of 63% of gross patient service revenue from public payers.