



Children's Hospital Industry Impact Report

Key findings from CHA's national surveys of parents/guardians of minor children and acute care children's hospitals

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Methodology

Part I: Parent's Survey

- n=1,000 likely voters who are parents/guardians of children under 18 nationwide
- Conducted by LSG online September 18-26, 2023
- MOE: +/- 3%

Part II: Children's Hospital Survey

- A survey of n=36 acute care children's hospitals nationwide
- Conducted by LSG online October 16-November 10, 2023

Key Findings: Parent's Survey

- 1 Nearly all (93%) likely voters who are parents or caregivers of minor children believe that children's hospitals are **IMPORTANT** to meeting the health care needs of children in America.
- 2 Favorability and trust of children's hospitals **OUTPACES** general, adult-focused hospitals, and nearly all (94%) would seek treatment for their child at a children's hospital **FURTHER** away than a general one.
- 3 Most (92%) believe it's **IMPORTANT** children's hospitals are fully staffed right now, but 68% recognize we do **NOT** have enough pediatricians/specialists to meet the health care needs of children.
- 4 A majority support **INCREASING** federal funding of CHGME (69%) and **INCREASING** Medicaid reimbursement comparable to Medicare (69%).
- 5 The overwhelming majority (94%) would be willing to take **ACTION** to preserve children's access to care at children's hospitals.



Key Findings: Acute Care Children's Hospital Survey

- 1 The lack of **mental health resources** for children is a top concern for acute care children's hospitals, and most have seen an **INCREASE** in pediatric patients requiring mental health care.
- 2 A majority of acute care children's hospitals treat **10,000+ patients** a year for urgent care and immunizations as well as **5,000+ patients** a year for mental health and major surgeries.
- 3 More than three fourths are **ACTIVE** in their community, addressing children's social barriers that impact health such as mental health, nutrition and exercise, food insecurity, and gun violence.
- 4 Three fourths or more are conducting **original research or clinical trials** in cancer and neonatal medicine, and the overwhelming majority are sharing their findings with the public and private sectors.
- 5 All are **PARTNERING** with other hospitals in their region to provide pediatric care, and the vast majority believe government funding of hospital partnerships is **INADEQUATE**.



Thank You

Questions?

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