

Changing the Valley's Healthcare Landscape for Our Most Pressing Need



On September 18, 2019, Valley Children's announced a partnership with Universal Health Services (UHS), one of the nation's largest and most respected hospital management companies, to construct an 81,600-square-foot, 128-bed behavioral health hospital for children and adults on the western portion of the Madera hospital's campus. The facility will include a 24-bed inpatient unit for children and adolescents, ages 5-17, representing a 49% increase in available beds for kids from Kern to San Joaquin counties.

Committed to improving access to behavioral health services for our region's children and adolescents and known for forging strong partnerships with healthcare providers across the region, Valley Children's Healthcare identified an important partner in UHS to provide services for kids as well as adults in Central California.

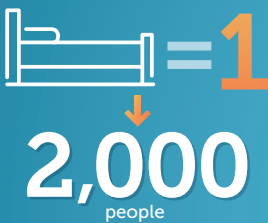
While the permitting and construction process gets underway, UHS will work closely with Valley Children's to invest resources in meeting immediate behavioral health needs, establishing additional telepsychiatry services and a new psychiatry residency program in the region.

"There is hardly a day that goes by that I don't get a question from a parent, a physician or a community member in search of behavioral healthcare for their kids – and, more importantly, behavioral healthcare that is right here in the Valley."

Todd Suntrapak, President and Chief Executive Officer, Valley Children's Healthcare

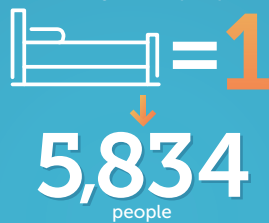
Goal

The Treatment Advocacy Center recommends one inpatient bed for every 2,000 people*



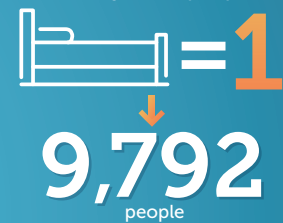
In the State of California

there is only one inpatient bed for every 5,834 people**



In our 12-County Service Area

there is only one inpatient bed for every 9,792 people**



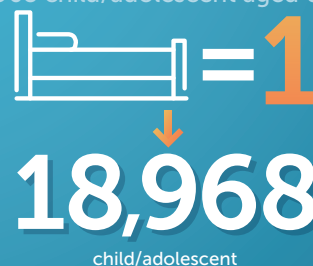
In the United States



One in every six child/adolescent aged 6-17 experience a mental health disorder each year.***

In our 12-County Service Area

there is only one inpatient bed for every 18,968 child/adolescent aged 6-17**



* A national nonprofit organization dedicated to eliminating barriers to the timely and effective treatment of severe mental illness.

** Population data from the California Hospital Association and KidsData.org

*** National Alliance on Mental Health. Health By The Numbers. <https://www.nami.org/learn-more/mental-health-by-the-numbers>

Building with the Future in Mind

Creating a Vision for a Fully Integrated Medical Community

Valley Children's Board of Trustees and leadership imagine a future for the 300 acres currently owned by the organization at the crossroads of Highway 41 and Children's Boulevard, along the bluffs overlooking the San Joaquin River. We are developing plans to create the region's only fully integrated medical community, with a full complement of healthcare and supporting services including additional Valley Children's facilities, medical offices, educational space and more.

The new UHS behavioral health hospital is the first step in that long-range vision, creating a medical gateway at an important intersection of Valley counties and adjacent to major freeways in an area poised for tremendous growth in the decades ahead.

A Closer Look at the Madera UHS Facility

Ownership and Operation: The facility will be solely owned and operated by Universal Health Services (UHS). UHS will also dedicate additional resources to address the need for psychiatric care for Valley Children's patient population.

Number of Total Beds: 128

Number of Beds Dedicated to Children and Adolescents: 24 (with ability to expand based on need)

Square Footage: 81,600

Facility Design Elements: Five 24-bed units each with nursing stations and clinical support services; indoor gymnasium; dining areas and quiet spaces throughout the hospital

Patient-Centered Design Features: Equipped with state-of-the-art safety features that facilitate healing and compassionate care; intentionally designed therapeutic environment that includes calming color palette, natural wall décor and natural light throughout building design

Patient Treatment Modalities

- Inpatient stabilization units
- Outpatient programs
- Programs focused on the treatment of severe mood disorders, thought disorders and chemical dependency issues
- Group and individual therapies
- Evidence-based treatments such as Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT), Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT) and Motivational Interviewing
- Art and music therapy, aromatherapy, pet therapy
- Fitness/movement therapy

Jobs: The new hospital will employ more than 250 people, including clinicians, mental health technicians and support and administrative staff, in addition to jobs created throughout the construction process.

Timeline: Following State review and approvals, UHS plans to begin construction in 2020 with an anticipated opening in 2022.

Contact

For more information or general inquiries about the facility, services or timelines, please contact UHS at mediarelations@uhsinc.com or visit valleychildrens.org/uhs.

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