



# Rural Hospitals

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- Approximately 125,000 Sq. Miles; 5.2 Million Population (14%)
- 44 of 58 Counties  
(Rural counties are counties with more than 80% of their land mass defined as rural or frontier)
- Rural population tends to be older; approximately 37% are ages 45 and over



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- Entirely rural counties containing no urban population:

- ALPINE

- MARIPOSA \*

- SIERRA

- TRINITY \*

- Predominantly “rural” counties where 50% or more of the county population lives in a rural area:

- Plumas \*

- Calaveras

- Modoc \*

- Siskiyou \*

- Amador \*

- Lassen \*

- Mono \*



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- There are 58 “small rural” hospitals based on the Health and Safety Code 12840, which was established to adjust outpatient rates and to maintain services in rural areas in 1980.
- There are 34 critical access hospitals (CAHs) which are certified to provide cost based reimbursement for Medicare inpatient services to maintain hospital and emergency services in remote areas.

# OSHPD List of Small and Rural Hospitals

**OSHPD List of Small and Rural Hospitals**  
**Open as of January 1st, 2015**  
**(Per Section 124840 of Health and Safety Code)**

Parent Facility Name	City	County	Type of Control	GAC Beds*
Adventist Medical Center - Reedley	Reedley	Fresno	Non-Profit	49
Banner Lassen Medical Center	Susanville	Lassen	Non-Profit	38
Barstow Community Hospital	Barstow	San Bernardino	Investor	30
Barton Memorial Hospital	South Lake Tahoe	El Dorado	Non-Profit	63
Bear Valley Community Hospital	Big Bear Lake	San Bernardino	District	9
Biggs-Gridley Memorial Hospital	Gridley	Butte	Non-Profit	24
Catalina Island Medical Center	Avalon	Los Angeles	Non-Profit	8
Coalinga Regional Medical Center	Coalinga	Fresno	District	24
Colorado River Medical Center	Needles	San Bernardino	Investor	25
Colusa Regional Medical Center	Colusa	Colusa	Non-Profit	42
Eastern Plumas Hospital - Portola Campus	Portola	Plumas	District	9**
Fairchild Medical Center	Yreka	Siskiyou	Non-Profit	28
Fallbrook Hospital District	Fallbrook	San Diego	District	47
Frank R. Howard Memorial Hospital	Willits	Mendocino	Non-Profit	38
George L. Mee Memorial Hospital	King City	Monterey	Non-Profit	100
Glenn Medical Center	Willows	Glenn	Non-Profit	47
Hazel Hawkins Memorial Hospital	Hollister	San Benito	District	62
Healdsburg District Hospital	Healdsburg	Sonoma	District	26
Hi-Desert Medical Center	Joshua Tree	San Bernardino	District	59
Jerold Phelps Community Hospital	Garberville	Humboldt	District	9
John C. Fremont Healthcare District	Mariposa	Mariposa	District	18
Kern Valley Healthcare District	Lake Isabella	Kern	District	27
Lompoc Valley Medical Center	Lompoc	Santa Barbara	District	60
Mammoth Hospital	Mammoth Lakes	Mono	District	17
Mark Twain St. Joseph's Hospital	San Andreas	Calaveras	Non-Profit	48
Marshall Medical Center	Placerville	El Dorado	Non-Profit	99
Mayers Memorial Hospital	Fall River Mills	Shasta	District	22
Memorial Hospital Los Banos	Los Banos	Merced	Non-Profit	44
Mendocino Coast District Hospital	Fort Bragg	Mendocino	District	49
Mercy Medical Center of Mt. Shasta	Mt. Shasta	Siskiyou	Non-Profit	33
Modoc Medical Center	Alturas	Modoc	District	16
Mountains Community Hospital	Lake Arrowhead	San Bernardino	District	17
Northern Inyo Hospital	Bishop	Inyo	District	25
Oak Valley District Hospital	Oakdale	Stanilaus	District	35
Ojai Valley Community Hospital	Ojai	Ventura	Non-Profit	25
Palo Verde Hospital	Blythe	Riverside	District	51
Plumas District Hospital	Quincy	Plumas	District	25
Redwood Memorial Hospital	Fortuna	Humboldt	Non-Profit	35
Ridgecrest Regional Hospital	Ridgecrest	Kern	Non-Profit	72
San Geronio Memorial Hospital	Banning	Riverside	District	71
Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital	Solvang	Santa Barbara	Non-Profit	11
Seneca Healthcare District	Chester	Plumas	District	10
Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital	Grass Valley	Nevada	Non-Profit	104
Sonora Regional Medical Center - Greenley	Sonora	Tuolumne	Non-Profit	84**
Southern Inyo Hospital	Lone Pine	Inyo	District	4
St. Elizabeth Community Hospital	Red Bluff	Tehama	Non-Profit	76
St. Helena Hospital - Clearlake	Clearlake	Lake	Non-Profit	32
St. Mary Regional Medical Center	Apple Valley	San Bernardino	Non-Profit	212
Surprise Valley Community Hospital	Cedarville	Modoc	District	4
Sutter Amador Hospital	Jackson	Amador	Non-Profit	52
Sutter Coast Hospital	Crescent City	Del Norte	Non-Profit	49
Sutter Lakeside Hospital	Lakeport	Lake	Non-Profit	30
Tahoe Forest Hospital	Truckee	Nevada	District	35
Tehachapi Hospital	Tehachapi	Kern	District	28
Trinity Hospital	Weaverville	Trinity	District	25
Twin Cities Community	Templeton	San Luis Obispo	Investor	122
Ukiah Valley Medical Center - Hospital Drive	Ukiah	Mendocino	Non-Profit	67
Victor Valley Global Medical Center	Victorville	San Bernardino	Investor	101

\* GAC beds based on DPH licenses as of 1-1-2015

\*\* Includes GAC beds from consolidated facility

NOTE: The purpose of this list is to assist OSHPD in the administration of its data programs and it is not intended to be used for other purposes.

# Map of Rural Hospitals in California





# Rural Hospitals - STRENGTHS

- Anchor other services in their communities:
  - Skilled Nursing
  - Home Health
  - Ambulance
  
- Provide economic stability by:
  - Employing Residents
  - Purchasing Goods & Services
  - Paying Local/State Taxes



# Rural Hospitals - CHALLENGES

- Workforce
- Unfunded Mandates
- Regulation
- Transformation of Payment Models



# Thank You

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