

MEDICAID UTILIZATION RATE FORMULA FOR SFY 2026-27

$$\text{Medicaid Utilization Rate} = 100 * \left(\frac{\text{Medi-Cal Days}}{\text{Total Patient Days}} \right)$$

Where

Medi-Cal Days = (Total Paid Medi-Cal Days¹) + (Estimated Out of State Medi-Cal Days)

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Estimated Out-of-State Medi-Cal Days = (Total Paid Medi-Cal Days¹)

$$* \left(\frac{\text{Discharge File}^2 \text{ Out-of-State Medi-Cal Beneficiary Days}}{\text{Discharge File}^2 \text{ Total Medi-Cal Days}} \right)$$

And

$$\text{Total Patient Days}^3 = \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Total Days} \\ (P4_C4_L150^4 + P4_C5_L150) + \\ (P4.1_C11_L40 \text{ or sum of } P4_C1_L600^5 \text{ and } P4_C1_L610^5) \end{array} \right)$$

$$- \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Chemical Dependency Days} \\ (P4_C4_L75 + P4_C5_L75) \end{array} \right) - \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Sub-Acute Days} \\ (P4_C4_L100 + P4_C5_L101) \end{array} \right)$$

$$- \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Long Term Care Days} \\ (P4_C4_L110 + P4_C5_L110 + \\ P4_C4_L115 + P4_C5_L115 \\ P4_C4_L120 + P4_C5_L120 + \\ P4_C4_L125 + P4_C5_L125 \end{array} \right) + \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Skilled Nursing and Other Services} \\ (P4_C4_L105 + P4_C5_L105 + \\ P4_C4_L145 + P4_C5_L145) \end{array} \right)$$

1. From the Medi-Cal paid claims files, including Fee-For-Service, Inpatient Psychiatric, and Medi-Cal Short/Doyle paid claims, and the HCAI Confidential Discharge data files for CY 2024.
2. From the HCAI Confidential Discharge File for CY 2024.
3. From the HCAI Annual Financial Disclosure Report (AFDR) for the hospital's fiscal year ending in CY 2024.
4. Numeric PCL references denote specific data locations within the AFDR.
5. Labor and Delivery data and Alternative Birth Center data are used when Nursery Acute days are not available.