

# Northern Mariana Islands Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation



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**Mission:** To improve the health of the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands through excellence and innovation in service and healthcare systems

## ABOUT CNMI HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS

The Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation (CHCC) is a public corporation that encompasses the majority of medical and psychosocial activities in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI), working to actively protect the public's health, prevent avoidable diseases and conditions, and promote healthy communities.

The overall Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation readmission rate in 2018 was **8.3%** Compared to the national average of **15.3%**

The overall rates of unplanned readmission focus on whether patients who were discharged from a hospital were hospitalized again within 30 days. The overall rate of unplanned readmission shows whether a hospital is doing its best to prevent complications, provide clear discharge instructions to patients, and help patients make a smooth transition to their home or another setting like a nursing home.



Source: Medicare.gov

CHCC's lower hospital readmissions rate is suggestive of successful public health interventions available through an integrated healthcare system.

## IMPACT OF POTENTIAL CUTS TO FEDERAL FUNDING

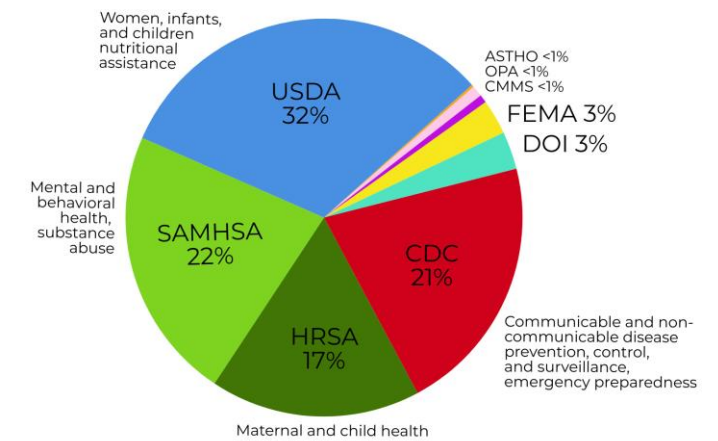
- Cut or eliminate clinical, behavioral, and environmental health programs that help individuals stay healthy and prevent disease leading to lost productivity from illness and increased health care costs
- Cut programs that address children's health and nutritional needs, putting our islands' future at risk
- Reduction in services to patients and populations served by the CHCC, leading to longer wait times, potential worsening of chronic conditions, and decreased health status overall
- Reduce or eliminate the capacity to analyze health data. The loss of this capacity limits the CHCC's ability to make informed decisions about disease prevention and resource planning
- Reduced capacity to respond to public health emergencies, putting more people at risk of harm due to natural disasters and health threats resulting from geographical location

Source: Northern Mariana Islands Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation

## TOP 5 HEALTH AGENCY PRIORITIES

- 1** Increasing patient satisfaction and community participation
- 2** Implementing comprehensive data management and surveillance
- 3** Improving financial health through recruitment and retention of the workforce and meeting accreditation standards
- 4** Completing Typhoon Yutu recovery and ensuring preparedness for future disaster response and recovery operations
- 5** Expanding clinical services utilizing alternative methods, such as telehealth psychiatry and telepharmacy services

### FEDERAL HEALTH PROGRAM FUNDING FISCAL YEAR 2018 N=\$14,991,176



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