



Medi-Cal EHR Incentive Program

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- Introduction –Program Basics
- History-Where have we been?
- Current Activities-Where are we going?
- Forward-Ongoing Activities

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Funding Flows – Entitlements



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Program

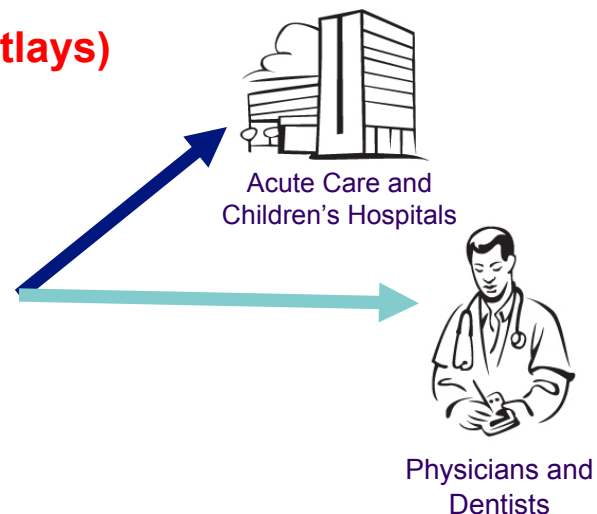
Medicare
Payment
Incentives

Distribution Agency*

CMS

Use of Funds

Incentive Payments
through Carriers



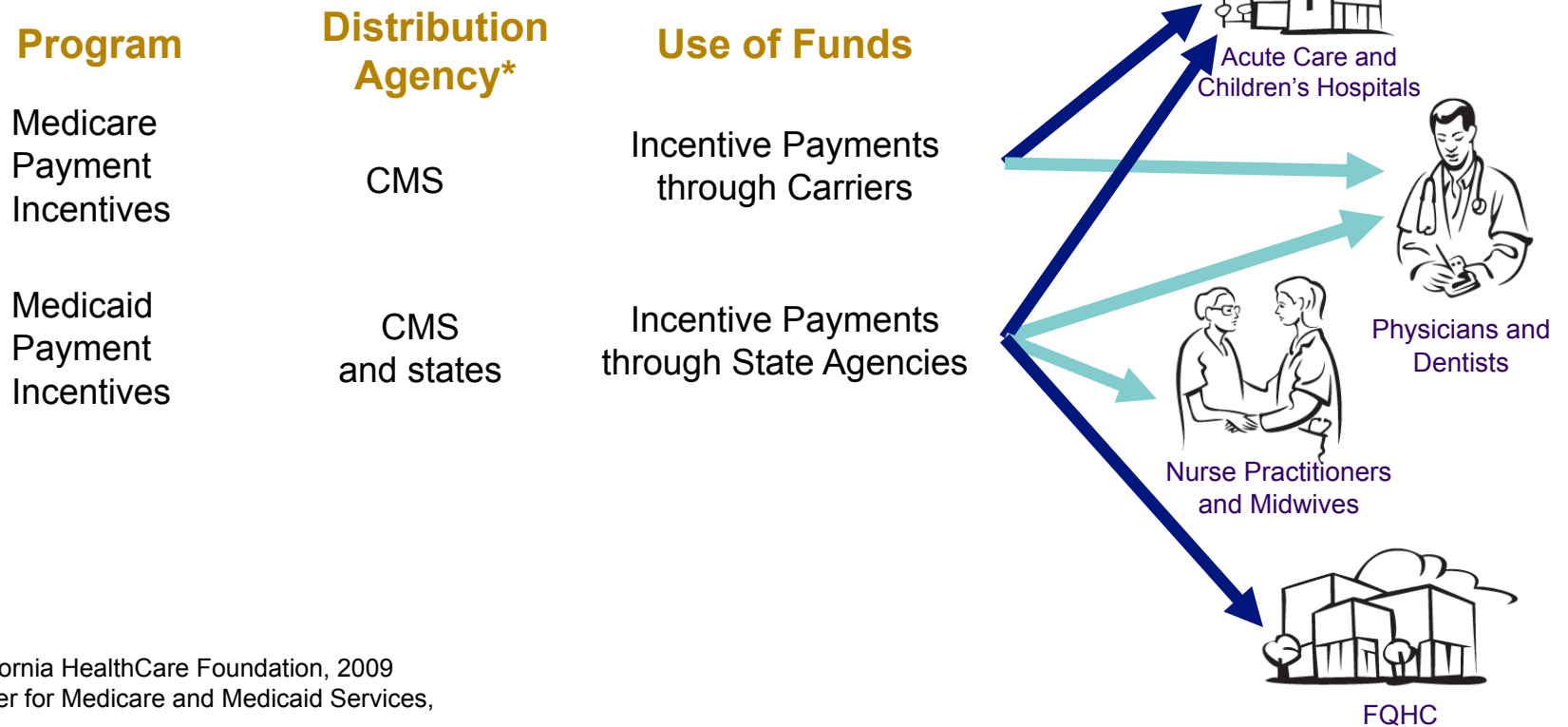
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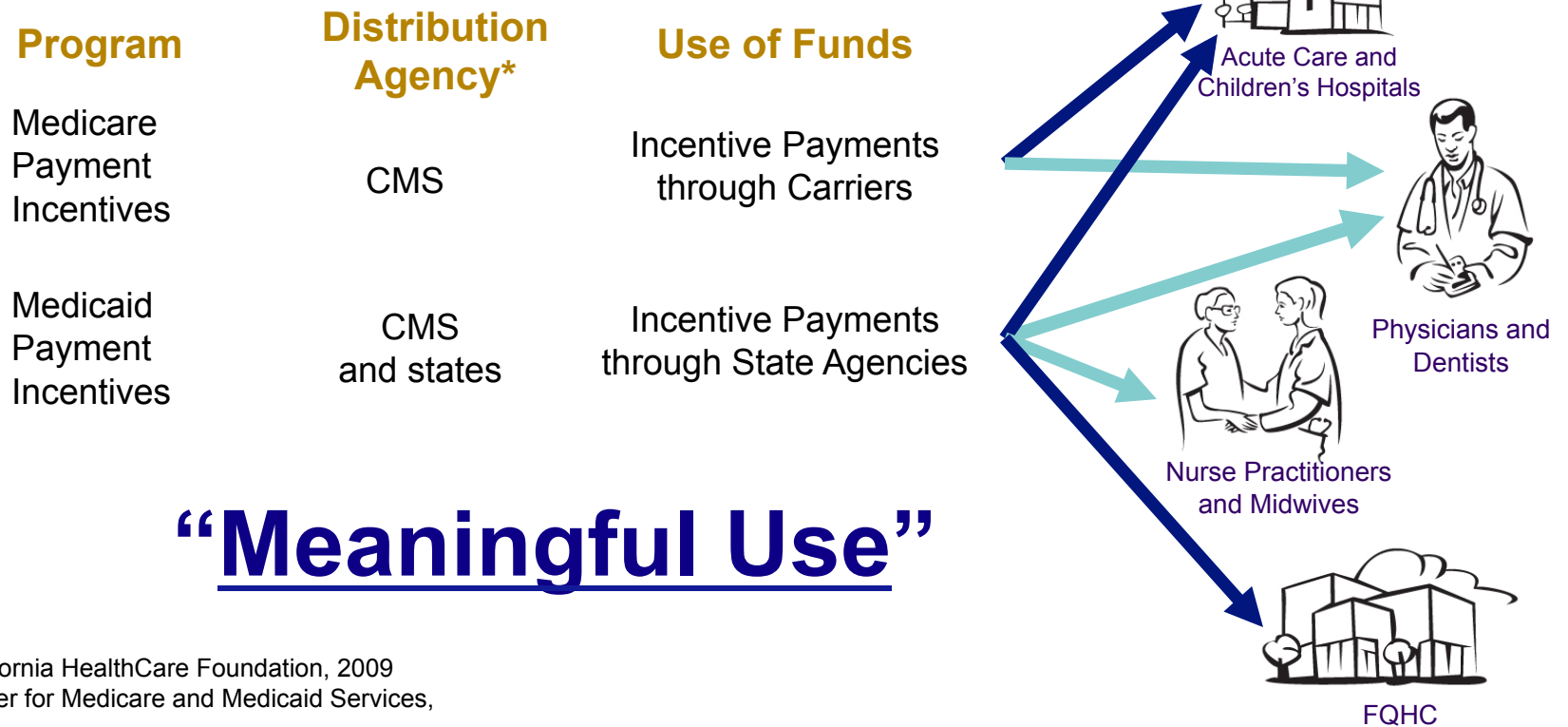
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Criteria to Receive Medicaid Provider Incentive Payments



1. Be an “***eligible***” provider
2. Use “***certified***” EHR technology
3. Meet the “***meaningful use***” criteria in the employment of the certified EHR technology

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Medicaid Eligible Hospitals



Acute care hospital	> 10% Medicaid share, Ave LOS \leq 25 days, Last 4-digits of Medicare CCN = 0001-0879
Children's hospital	All

- Hospitals eligible for incentive under Medicare and Medicaid may receive both payments.

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Potential Medicaid Provider Incentives



Year 1:	\$21,250	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 1 payment for adoption of certified EHR—demonstration of actual installation, not efforts to install. May recapture 85% of costs.• Year 2-6 payments contingent on provider demonstrating “meaningful use” of the EHR• Year 1 payment does not need to be in 2011, but cannot be later than 2016.• One time switch to Medicare incentive program if before CY2015.• No penalties for failure to adopt certified EHRs.
Year 2:	\$8,500	
Year 3:	\$8,500	
Year 4:	\$8,500	
Year 5:	\$8,500	
Year 6:	\$8,500	
Total:	\$63,750	

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Three Purposes of 90% FFP ARRA State Admin Match



The State Medicaid Agency must:

1. **Administer the incentive payments** to eligible professionals and hospitals;
2. **Conduct oversight** of the program, including tracking meaningful use by providers
3. Pursue initiatives to **encourage** the **adoption of certified EHR technology** to **promote health care quality and the exchange of health care information**

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Medi-Cal EHR Incentive Program Planning



- Created a partnership with California Healthcare Foundation
- Through public/private collaboration-created a Vision Statement for the program

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Medi-Cal EHR Incentive Program Vision Statement



**The health and well-being of all
Californians will be dramatically
improved by the widespread adoption
and use of Electronic Health Records**

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Incentive Program Planning Effort to Date



- Efforts to date
 - Creation of the Advisory Board
 - Provider Landscape Assessment
 - Strategic Plan
 - Campaign Plan
 - Implementation Plan
 - <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Pages/DHCSOHIT.aspx>

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Medi-Cal EHR Incentive Advisory Board



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Organizations

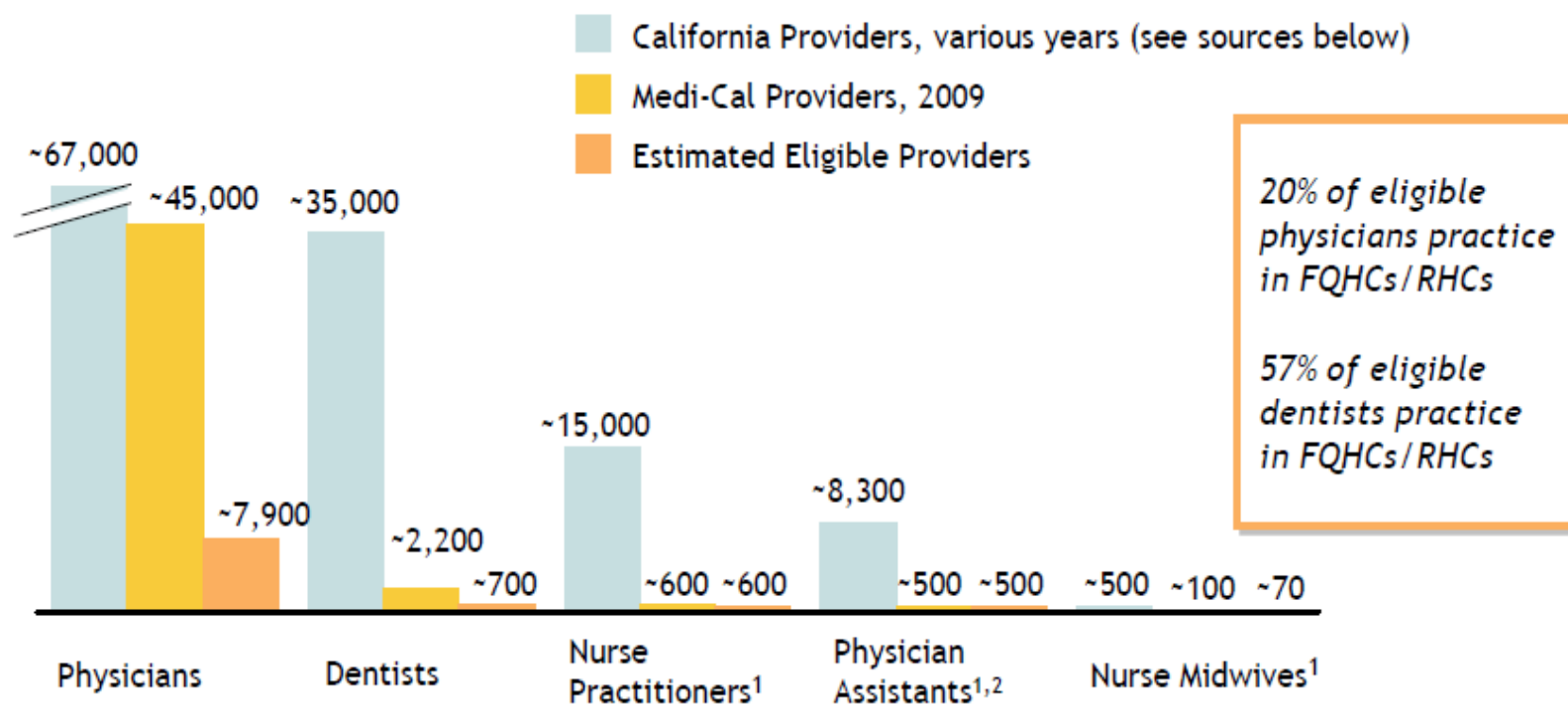
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California Health Care Foundation
California Hospital Association
California Medical Association
California Primary Care Association
Community Health Clinic Ole & Redwood Community Health
Consumers Union
Harbor-UCLA Medical Center
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LA Care
Long Beach Network for Health
Mercy Medical Group
Santa Clara Valley Health and Hospital System
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Types of Eligible Providers



Approximately 20%, or nearly 10,000 Medi-Cal providers, are estimated to meet the patient volume thresholds; the percentage varies substantially by provider type



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2009 Active Medical Groups

Doing Medi-Cal Business



Total Number of Groups Inventoried (Medical Groups with at least 6 PCP's)	292
Total Medi-Cal Enrollment of Groups	2.7 million
Number of Groups with Medi-Cal	178 (61%)
Number of Groups with $\geq 30\%$ enrollment	135 (46%)

Of the Groups with $\geq 30\%$ enrollment:

- Total of 11,699 Primary Care providers
- Total of 28,484 Specialists

Source: Cattaneo & Stroud for CAPG, August 2009

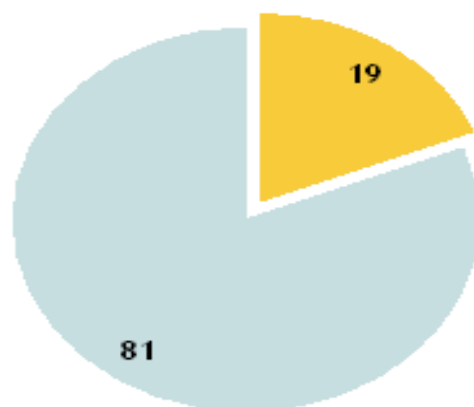
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Rural Providers are More Likely to Meet Patient Volume Thresholds



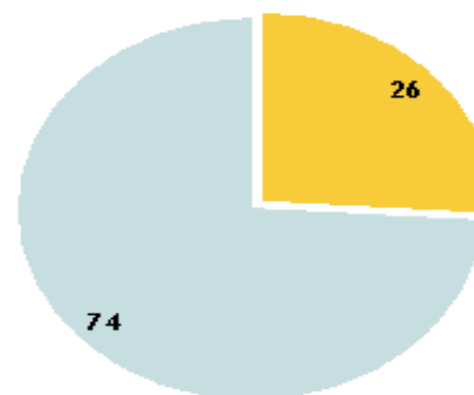
Eligible Non-eligible

Medi-Cal urban providers
Percent



Total: 41,600

Medi-Cal rural providers
Percent



Total: 6,800

SOURCE: MIS/DSS, 2009; Lewin analysis

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Rural Communities



- Approximately 50% of Medi-Cal Beneficiaries are cared for in the Rural Communities
- How will we target and move the rural communities to adoption?
 - Regional Extension Center Activities - Local Extension Centers
 - Others?

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Potentially Eligible Hospitals



- Of the state's 435 hospitals
 - Approximately 242 are potentially eligible for the incentive payments
 - These 242 hospitals cover 93% of all Medi-Cal discharges

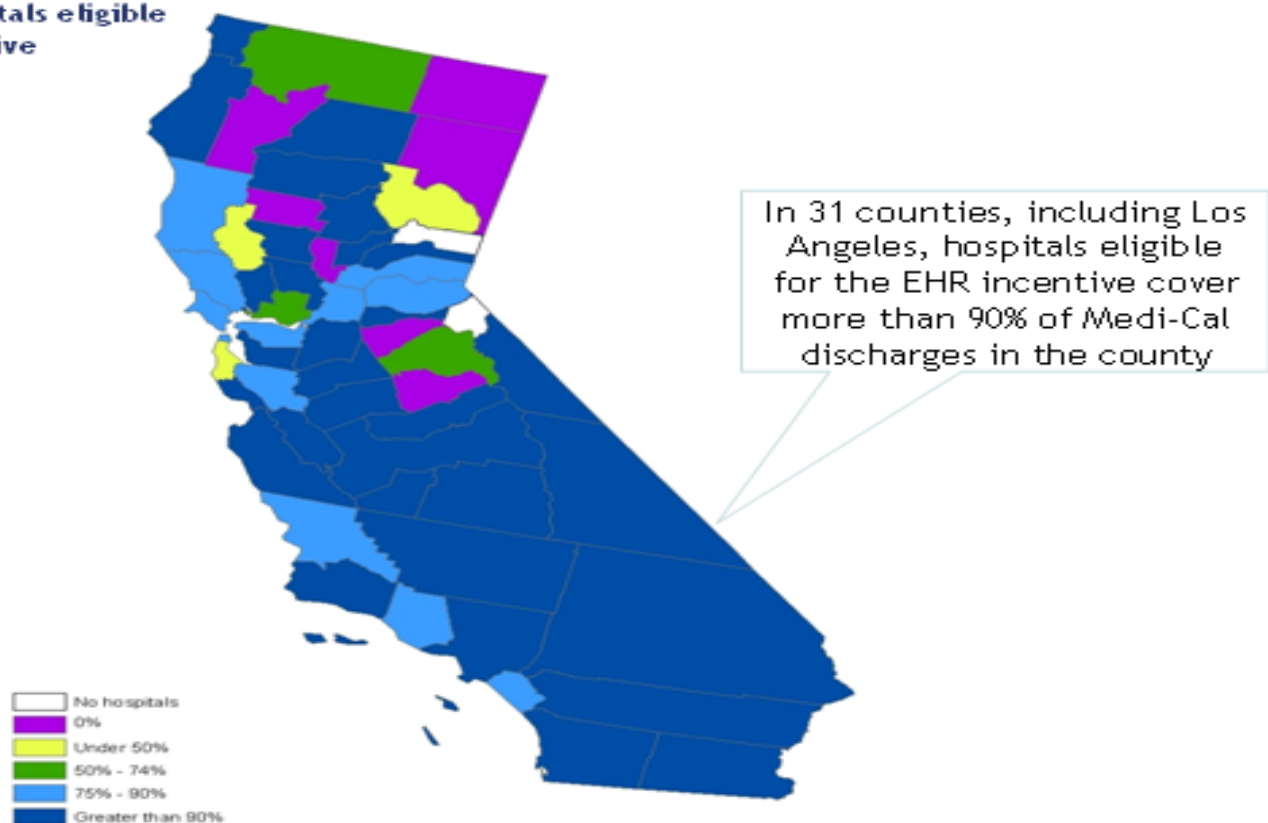
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Statewide, hospitals eligible for the EHR incentive cover almost 93% of Medi-Cal discharges



Medi-Cal discharges in hospitals eligible for the Medicaid EHR incentive
Percent

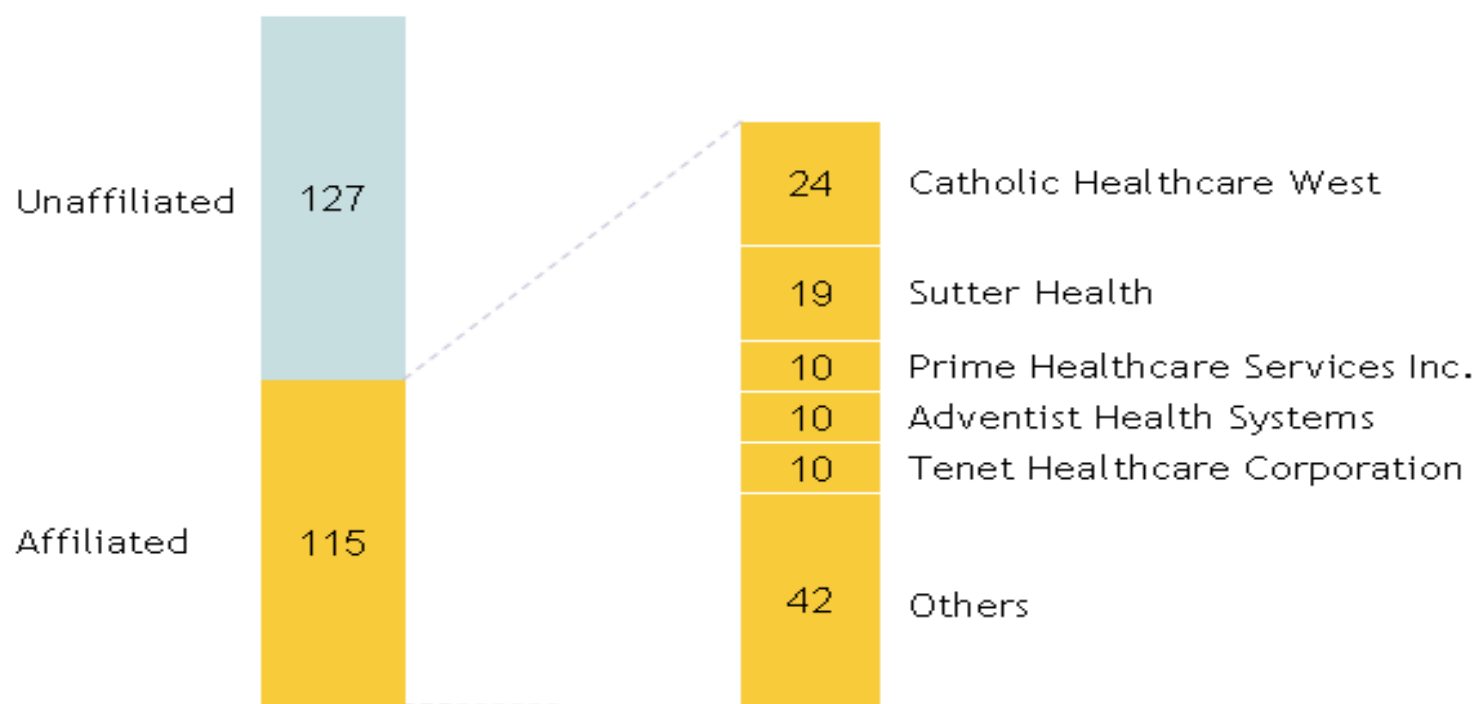


SOURCE: California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, Healthcare Information Division, 2008; Lewin analysis

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Almost half of hospitals eligible for the Medi-Cal EHR incentive are affiliated with a healthcare system



NOTE: "Affiliated" is defined as hospitals affiliated with a system with more than 3 hospitals

SOURCE: California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, Healthcare Information Division, 2008; Lewin analysis

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Campaign Planning



- CMS will be conducting a widespread campaign plan with the Medicare providers and beneficiaries (August)
- California has established a workgroup to develop the Master Campaign Plan messaging
- DHCS will focus on the Medi-Cal EHR Incentive Program messaging

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What's Next?

State Medicaid HIT Plan



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- The State's "As-Is" HIT Landscape
 - The State's "To-Be" Landscape
 - Activities Necessary to Administer/Oversee Incentive Program
 - Testing National Level Registry
 - The State's Audit Strategy
 - The State's HIT Roadmap

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Why Refine the Landscape Assessment



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- Understanding the environment will provide the information necessary to:
 - Target outreach & education
 - Leverage existing HIT/HIE resources
 - Understand the gaps to achieve “adoption of EHR”
 - Provides valuable data for the State Medicaid HIT Plan – a.k.a. funding for success!

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How will we accomplish the Landscape Assessment Refinement?



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- California State Rural Health Association-completing assessments of Rural Hospitals
- California Primary Care Association are surveying their membership
- California Association of Physicians Groups will continue to collect and analyze Medical Group information
- California Children's Hospital Association will survey the eight Children's Hospitals
- Medical Board will distribute surveys to physicians
- DHCS will contract with UCSF to collect, evaluate and create reports for ongoing program evaluation

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High-level program implementation activities can be divided into six key stages



Program Implementation activities



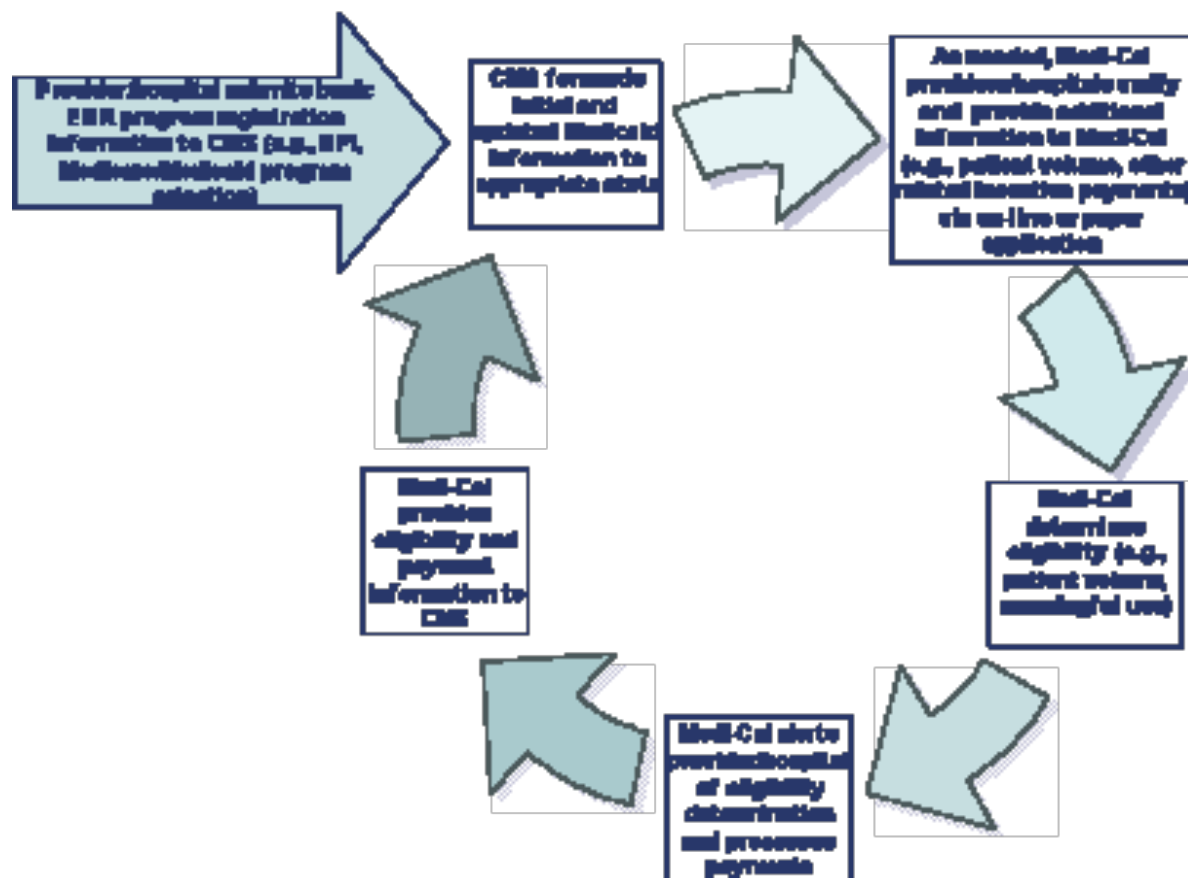
Link with other program activities and policy analysis

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Evaluate existing data systems and criteria 1 Develop "EHR Provider Database" to track status and calculate payment 1 Collect and process registration | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Disburse payments 1 Recoup inappropriate payments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Develop appeals process 1 Monitor appeals process, intervene as necessary | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Incorporate EHR Incentive Program into current audit process 1 Conduct audits 1 Review methodologies and programs depending on findings | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Determine and report on internal program metrics, identifying opportunities for improvement 1 Develop and submit CMS reports 1 Develop and evaluate quality goals and outcomes |
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Medi-Cal will collect information from CMS and providers to determine eligibility and disburse payments



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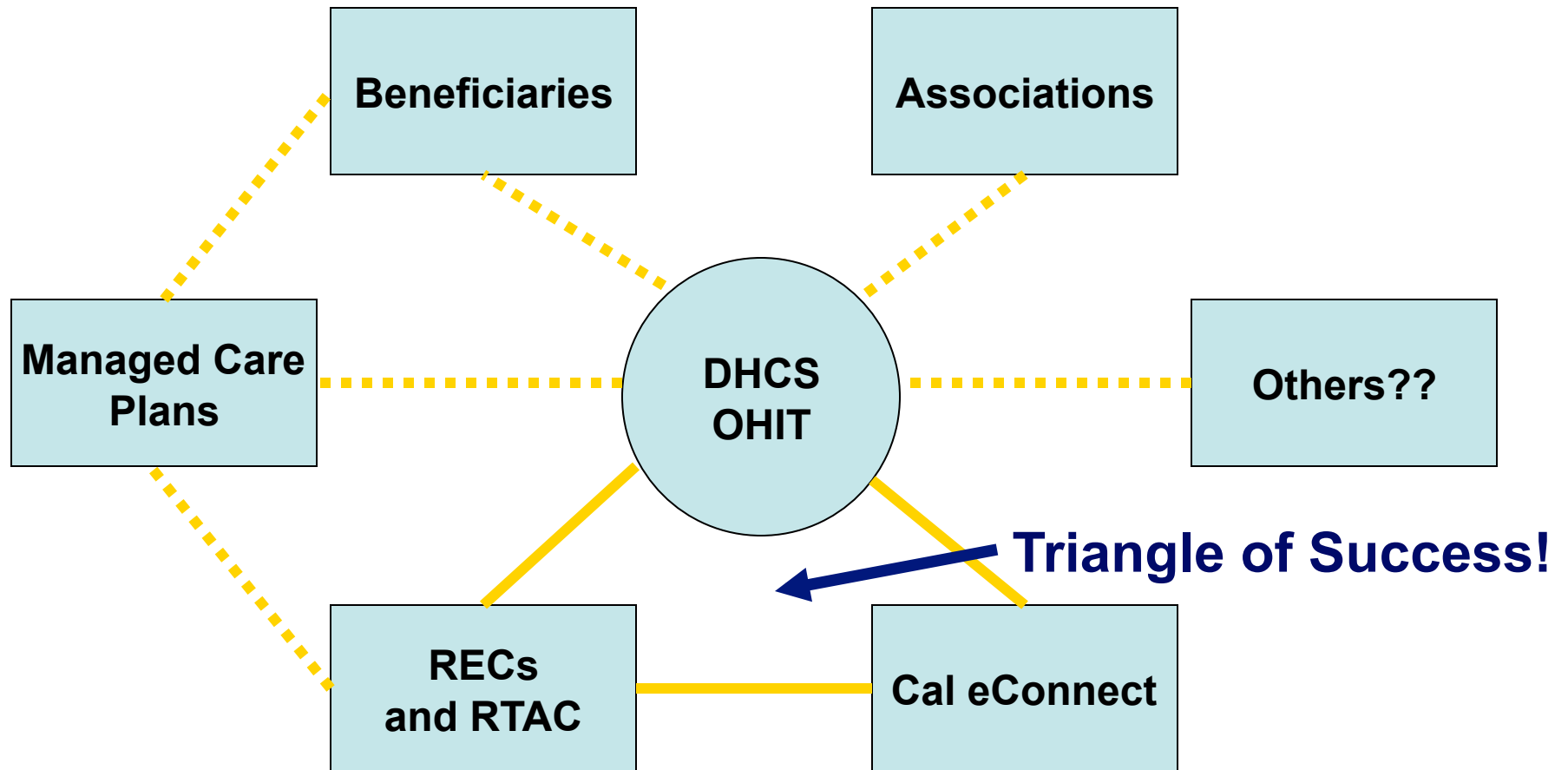
Timeline of Events



Jun-10	Submit updated Planning Advanced Planning Document (P-APD)
Jul-10	Complete environmental scans, Build core operations, Convene workgroups, Test NLR
Aug-10	
Sep-10	
Oct-10	Submit State Medicaid HIT Plan (SMHP)
Nov-10	Submit Implementation Advanced Planning Document (I-APD)
Dec-10	
Jan-11	Begin Enrollment
Mar-11	First Payments

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Coordination of Efforts



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Resources



<http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt>

<http://www.cms.gov/EHRIncentivePrograms>

<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Pages/DHCSOHIT.aspx>

Send questions to: Medi-Cal_Incentive@dhcs.ca.gov

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Discussion

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