Cambridge Health Alliance

About Cambridge Health Alliance

Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA) is a vibrant, innovative health system dedicated to providing essential services to all members of the community. With 140,000 patients in Cambridge, Somerville, and Boston's Metro North region, CHA is a local provider of choice for primary care, specialty care, emergency services, hospital care, and behavioral health. CHA patients receive high quality care in convenient neighborhood locations, and have seamless access to advanced care through CHA's affiliation with Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center.

CHA's community commitment extends beyond serving its patients. CHA operates the Cambridge Public Health Department and collaborates with many local agencies and organizations to improve the health of local residents. It also provides a vital safety net for underserved populations facing barriers to care. As a Harvard Medical School, Harvard School of Public Health, Harvard School of Dental Medicine, and Tufts University School of Medicine teaching hospital, CHA trains the health care providers of tomorrow.

Fiscal Year 2013

Components

- 3 hospital campuses – Cambridge, Somerville, and Whidden (Everett) – each with 24-hour emergency services
- 15 primary care practices
- Cambridge Public Health Department
- CHA Physician's Organization (CHAPO)
- CHA Foundation

Delivery System Primary Service Area

Cambridge, Somerville, Malden, Chelsea, Revere, Everett, and Winthrop, MA.

Number of Employees

Employees	3276
FTE positions	2544

CHA Physicians

Medical Staff	667
Active Medical Staff	403
Medical Students/Residents	363

Licensed Beds

Med/Surg	278
Psych	157
ICU	26
Nursery	19
TOTAL	**480**

Key Statistics

Discharges	12,962
Patient Days	61,630
Avg. LOS (in days)	4.7
ED Visits	100,092
Ambulatory Visits	551,081
Deliveries	1,217

Research

# of research grant applications submitted	55
Active/funded research grants	71
Research expenditures	$5,177,818

Academic Affiliations

CHA is a teaching affiliate of Harvard Medical School, Harvard School of Public Health, Harvard School of Dental Medicine and Tufts University School of Medicine.

Through these partnerships, CHA offers residency and training programs in a variety of disciplines including Internal Medicine, Family Medicine, Podiatric Surgery, Psychiatry, Psychology, and Dentistry. CHA also serves as a teaching site for numerous Boston-area Nursing schools.

CHA Awards

System-Wide Recognition

- A in Patient Safety, The Leapfrog Group (2013)
- Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare Physician Group Honor Roll (2012)
- Top 100 Most Integrated Health System, SDI (2004 – 2005, 2007 – 2011)
- Best in Class – Culturally and Linguistically Competent Care, AHA Institute for Diversity (2010)
- Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare Hospital Honor Roll (2008, 2010)
- Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare Pediatric Honor Roll (2007 - 2010)
- Political Engagement of the Community Award, NAPH (2009)

Academics

- Marie-Louise Jean-Baptiste, MD – Harvard Medical School McCabe Prize for Excellence in Teaching (2013)
- Jill Kasper, MD – Partners Primary Care Award for Teaching and Mentoring (2013)
- Lotte Smith-Hansen, PhD – Society of Psychotherapy Integration New Researcher Award (2013)
- Kathe Miller, MD – Harvard Primary Care Center Excellence in Teaching Award (2012)
- Brian Swann, DDS, MPH – NDAF/ Colgate-Palmolive Faculty Recognition Award (2012)
- Todd Griswold, MD – Harvard Medical School Kettyle Award for Excellence in Psychiatry Teaching (2012)
- Lee Ann Jarnagin, APRN – MA Coalition of Nurse Practitioners Exceptional Nurse Preceptor Award (2012)
- Elliot James Rapp, MD – Massachusetts Medical Society Information Technology Award (2012)
- CHA Department of Psychiatry – HMS Harold Amos Diversity Award (2011)
- Margarita Alegria, PhD – elected as a member of the Institute of Medicine (2011)
- Surgeon Arundahti Ghosh, MD – HMS Young Mentor Award (2011)
- Anne Fabiny, MD, Maren Batalden, MD, and Pieter Cohen, MD – HMS McCabe Prize for Excellence in Clinical Teaching (2009 – 2011)
- Chief of Medicine, David Bor, MD – HMS Joseph B. Martin Leadership Award for the Advancement of Women Faculty (2011)
- Chief of Neurology Rachel Nardin, MD – AAN Teacher Recognition Award (2010)
- Chief of Geriatrics, Anne Fabiny, MD – HMS Excellence in Tutoring Award (2010)
- Psychiatrist Elizabeth Gaufberg, MD, MPH – Gold Foundation Humanism Honor Society Award (2010)
- Chief of Family Medicine, Randy Wertheimer, MD, named Jaharis Family Chair of Family Medicine at Tufts University School of Medicine (2009)
- Psychiatrist Sanjay Gulati, MD, HMS Harold Amos Diversity Award (2009)
- Internist David Hirsh, MD – Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award, Gold Foundation (2009)
- Six CHA physicians receive HMS Dean's Community Service Awards (2002 – 2009)
- Rose Goldman, MD – HMS Academic Clinical Faculty Teaching Award (2009)
- Richard Pels, MD, and Steffie Woolhandler, MD – HMS A. Clifford Barger Excellence in Mentoring Award (2008 – 2009)

By Service

Primary Care

- CHA Union Square Family Health named one of 30 Exemplar practices in the nation – Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (2013)
- Somava Stout, MD – Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Young Leader (2012)
- Three CHA physicians named Harvard Primary Care Center core faculty (2012)
- Somava Stout, MD – Partners Healthcare Primary Care Award for Innovation (2011)
- Emma D'Alleva, PharmD – Marie Louise Ansak Award, national PACE program (2011)
- Six CHA Primary Care practices named NCQA Level 3 Patient-Centered Medical Homes (2010-2012)

Women's Health

- Baby Friendly Birth Facility – UNICEF/World Health Organization (2010)

Specialty Care

- Computed Tomography (CT) Accreditation – American College of Radiology (2011)
- Ultrasound Accreditation – American College of Radiology (2010)
- Cambridge Breast Center – first in MA to receive national NAPBC accreditation (2009)
- Breast Imaging Center of Excellence – American College of Radiology (2009)

Mental Health

- Nancy Rappaport, MD – AACAP Sidney Berman Award for school mental health (2011)
- Haitian Mental Health Team – Schwartz Center Compassionate Caregiver (2010)

Emergency Care

- CHA named a National Model for Emergency Care – HealthLeaders Media (2012)
- Jennifer Wallace, RN – Nurse of the Year, Metro Boston EMS Council (2012)