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 almost 130,000 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, maternity care and behavioral health. CHA patients receive high quality care in convenient neighborhood locations and have seamless access to advanced care through CHA’s affiliations with Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC) and Mass. General Hospital for Children (MGHfC).

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 teaching hospital of 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 2022

CHA Components

- 2 hospitals – Cambridge and Everett – each with 24-hour emergency services
- Child and adolescent inpatient psychiatric services at Somerville Campus
- 12 primary care practices and 4 Teen Health Centers
- Cambridge Public Health Department
- CHA Physicians Organization (CHAPO)
- CHA Foundation

Delivery System Primary Service Area
Cambridge, Somerville, Malden, Medford, Chelsea, Revere, Everett and Winthrop, MA.

Non-Physician Employees
Employees ........................................... 4,050
FTE Positions ..................................... 3,040
(FY21 data)

CHA Physicians
Medical Staff ......................................673
Active Medical Staff .........................407
Medical Students ............................. 413
Residents ......................................... 212

Inpatient Beds in Service
Med/Surg ......................................... 137
ICU ..................................................... 18
Psych............................................... 89
Maternity ......................................... 14
Nursery ........................................... 19
TOTAL ......................................... 277

Key Statistics
Discharges ...................................... 9,265
Patient Days ....................................57,443
Avg. LOS (in days) ......................... 6.20
ED Visits .....................................88,087
Ambulatory Visits ......................... 899,218
Births.............................................. 1,149

Research
# of research grant applications submitted........................................29
Active/funded research grants..............62
Research expenditures ................... $7,630,798

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.

These partnerships allow CHA to offer training programs in Internal Medicine, Family Medicine, Podiatric Surgery, Psychiatry, Psychology and Dentistry.

CHA is also home to a Pharmacy Residency and serves as a teaching site for numerous Boston-area Nursing schools.
Recent CHA Awards and Achievements

System Wide

• CHA was named one of Newsweek’s Best Maternity Hospitals 2022.

• CHA was ranked number one in Massachusetts (with an A grade) for spending on charity care and community investment by the Lown Institute Hospitals Index.

• CHA earned an A grade for inclusivity from the Lown Institute Hospitals Index, ranking second in Massachusetts, and among the top 100 hospitals in the nation.

• CHA was ranked number one in Massachusetts (A grade) for Community Benefit by the Lown Institute.

• CHA earned an A grade from the Lown Institute for Avoiding Overuse.

• CHA was named an “LGBTQ Health Care Equality Leader” by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation.

• CHA was named a 2022 WWCMA WorkWell Massachusetts Award winner for exemplary worksite health promotion.

• Latinos Unidos en Massachusetts (LUMA) presented CHA with an award for our support of immigrant communities.

• CHA Union Square Family Health received an adult care award for Office Staff Professional Excellence from Massachusetts Health Quality Partners.

• CHA Broadway Care Center received pediatric care awards for Ease of Access to Care and Patient-Provider Communications from Massachusetts Health Quality Partners.

Staff Awards

• Twenty-three CHA doctors were named a “Top Doc” by Boston Magazine.

• Michael Yogman, MD, a CHA pediatrician, was named Middlesex District Medical Society’s 2022 Community Clinician of the Year.

• Gabriella Iagaru, MD, interim medical director, child and adolescent inpatient psychiatry service, received the Excellence in Clinical Instruction Faculty Award from the Harvard Medical School Class of 2022.

• Alec Eidelman, DMD, MPH, a general dentist at the CHA Windsor Street Care Center, was recognized by the Massachusetts Dental Society (MDS) as one of the “10 Under Ten” for 2022.

• Avlot Quessa, senior multicultural affairs director, received the Tony Winsor Award for 2022 from UMass Chan Medical School, Commonwealth Medicine, and MassHealth.

• Allen Shaughnessy, PharmD, MMEd, director, curriculum development – family medicine resident, received the Lynn and Joan Carmichael STFM Recognition Award from the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine (STFM).

• Angelo Grech, CHA parking & transportation manager, won National Leader of the Year from ProPark.