

The County Behavioral Health Semi-Statewide Electronic Health Record

Improving public behavioral health care delivery



The California Mental Health Services Authority’s (CalMHSA) semi-statewide EHR has, at its center, the primary purpose of improving the lives of Californians who turn to county behavioral health departments for their care. This semi-statewide system:

- Extends to 35% of the state’s Medi-Cal beneficiaries
- Allows clinicians to spend more time caring, less time on screens
- Tells a complete story about the individuals in their care
- Eases the process for clients by allowing record-sharing between counties

Forging County Innovation and Efficiency

Together, the 25 participating counties are enhancing delivery of care with a system that:

- Leverages deep technical expertise for a scaled solution with greater reach
- Creates cross-county innovation and shared outcomes
- Builds efficiencies that alleviate workforce shortages
- Integrates CalAIM payment reform changes

Facilitating Interoperability

The 25-county EHR expands the way data is managed and shared, facilitating state and federal interoperability mandates, such as:

- AB 133
- The California Data Exchange Framework
- The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Interoperability and Patient Access rule
- Department of Health Care Services 2023-24 work plan

Counties Participating:

Colusa, Contra Costa, Fresno, Glenn, Humboldt, Imperial, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Marin, Mono, Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, San Benito, San Diego, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Tulare, Ventura

“This EHR has made a lot of our processes more streamlined, specifically for clinicians, which gives them more time to spend with clients to be able to improve our services.”

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