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## **MARYLAND'S HOSPITALS EXCEEDING GOALS OF ALL-PAYER MODEL**

Elkridge, Md. – Maryland's hospitals, under the state's unique health care system – the All-Payer Model – continue to hold down health care cost increases and improve quality for patients, according to the [latest complete data](#) from the Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC) and Maryland Department of Health.

The data show that on every metric the model measures — hospital spending growth, statewide health care spending, readmissions, and hospital-acquired infections and complications – hospitals are meeting or exceeding the high bars set by the model.

Through 2016, Maryland hospital Medicare savings totaled \$586 million and total hospital and non-hospital Medicare savings totaled \$461 million. During that time period, hospitals also reduced readmissions by more than 6 percent, faster than the nation as a whole, and reduced complications and infections acquired in hospitals by nearly 45 percent.

The success is largely due to the broad-based care delivery transformation efforts that hospitals have engaged in with support from HSCRC and the Hogan administration. The commission and the administration are also working diligently with federal agencies to secure the next phase of the All-Payer Model. With the State's support, hospitals have forged new partnerships with other health care providers, reorganized staff to focus on improving the health of entire communities, and worked to get Marylanders the right care, at the right time, in the right setting.

“This latest report affirms the achievements of the work that's been going on since the model began in 2014,” said Bob Atlas, President & CEO of the Maryland Hospital Association. “Hospitals and our state agency partners are in the midst of a thorough reimagining of how health care should be delivered, and year after year, Maryland's unique model demonstrates that hospitals can hold costs down while improving quality. Together, we are keeping our state at the national forefront of health care innovation.”

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