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OVERVIEW OF STATE STRATEGIES FOR PRISON HEALTHCARE

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Four methods of prison healthcare provision

- State provided – 17 states
- Privately provided – 20 states
- Via state university health systems – 4 states
- Hybrid – (a combination of state, private, or university provided) – 8 states

Source – *Prison Health Care: Costs and Quality*. (2017) Pew Charitable Trusts

State's methods of prison healthcare

State:

California
Nebraska
Oregon
Alaska
North Dakota
New York
North Carolina
Washington
Wisconsin
South Dakota
Hawaii
Iowa
Ohio
Utah
Oklahoma
South Carolina
Nevada

Private:

New Mexico (Corizon)
Alabama (Corizon)
Kentucky (Correct Care Solutions)
Vermont (Centurion)
Delaware (Connections Community Support Programs)
Wyoming (Corizon)
Maine (Corizon)
Idaho (Corizon)
Missouri (Corizon)
Florida (Corizon)
Arizona (Corizon)
Indiana (Corizon)
Tennessee (Corizon)
Massachusetts (Correct Care Solutions)
Arkansas (Correct Care Solutions)
Kansas (Corizon)
Maryland (Wexford)
West Virginia (Wexford)
Illinois (Wexford)
Mississippi (Corizon)

Hybrid:

Michigan
Minnesota
Montana
Rhode Island
Colorado
Virginia
Pennsylvania
Louisiana

University:

New Jersey
Connecticut
Texas
Georgia

Neighboring states

- Colorado has a hybrid system where inmates held in private prisons receive care from contractors while inmates in public prisons receive care from state employees (20,041 inmates in 2015).
- Texas uses Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center and University of Texas Medical Branch to provide health services under the guidance of the Texas Correctional Managed Health Care Committee (163,909 inmates in 2015)
- Wyoming uses Corizon, a previous NM provider, to care for inmate's health needs (2,424 inmates in 2015)
- Nevada and Utah both provide inmate healthcare via state employees. (11,905 and 5,980 inmates, respectively, in 2015).

Average Nationwide Per-Inmate Costs

Provider Type	Average Inmate Population per State	Average Cost Per Inmate Per Year	2015 Total Health Care Expenditure
University	63,102	\$5,260	\$276,069,646
State	25,089	\$6,686	\$251,395,651
Hybrid	25,630	\$6,341	\$145,055,982
Private	22,165	\$6,277	\$102,884,837

Average Neighbor States Per-Inmate Costs

2015 Neighboring States Costs

State	Provider Type	Inmate Population	Cost per Inmate Per Year	Total Cost
Colorado	Hybrid	20,041	\$6,641	\$133,092,281
New Mexico	Private (Centurion)	7,340	\$5,943	\$43,621,620
Wyoming	Private (Corizon)	2,424	\$11,798	\$28,598,352
Utah	State	6,495	\$4,560	\$29,617,200
Nevada	State	13,071	\$3,246	\$42,428,466
Texas	University	163,909	\$4,077	\$668,256,993

Source: Pew and LFC files

Potential for Medicaid Waiver

- Potential to use a 1115 waiver?
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services have confirmed receipt of demonstration proposal request from other states – CMS had neither approved nor denied the requests
 - Waiting for more details