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December 10, 2013

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: *GW* Mitchell H. Katz, M.D.
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SUBJECT: **STEPS REQUIRED TO SUCCESSFULLY ADAPT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT (ITEM #36, DECEMBER 10, 2013)**

UPDATE

The Department of Health Services (DHS) continues to make good progress on key initiatives and operational changes that will prepare our health system to succeed under the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

In this report, I have updated the DHS system transformation dashboard and included supporting details to provide additional context (see attachment). As always, I welcome your suggestions and feedback on the dashboard report, which we will continue to modify and improve in successive iterations.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me or Anish Mahajan, Director of System Planning, at (213) 240-8416.

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Attachment

c: Chief Executive Office
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Department of Public Social Services

**Our Future Under the
Affordable Care Act (ACA) –
December 2013 Update**



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Director

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

December 17, 2013

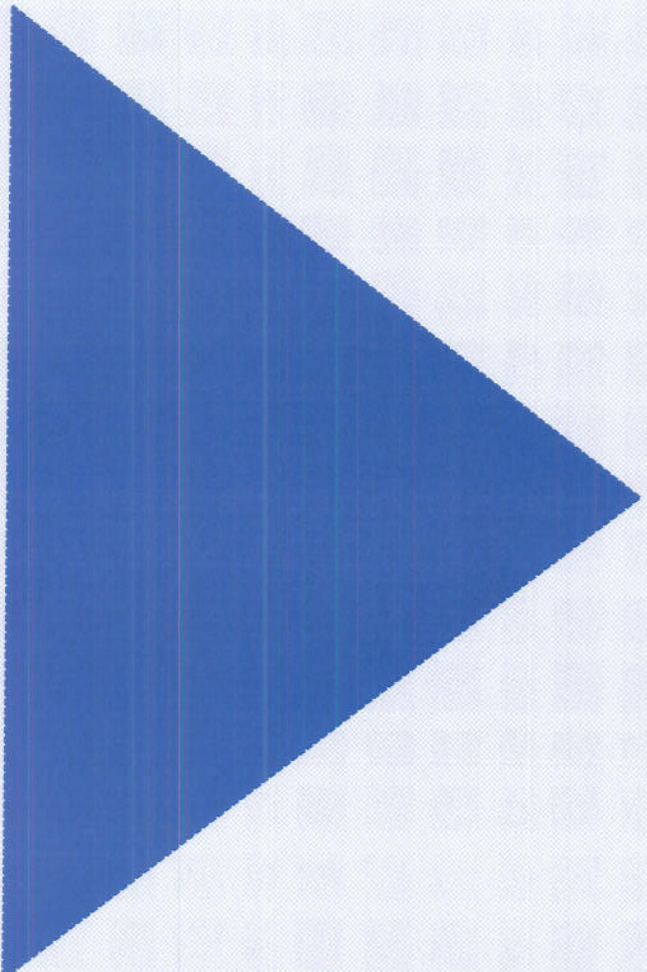
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Our Overall Strategy for ACA: DHS Triple Aim

More Care

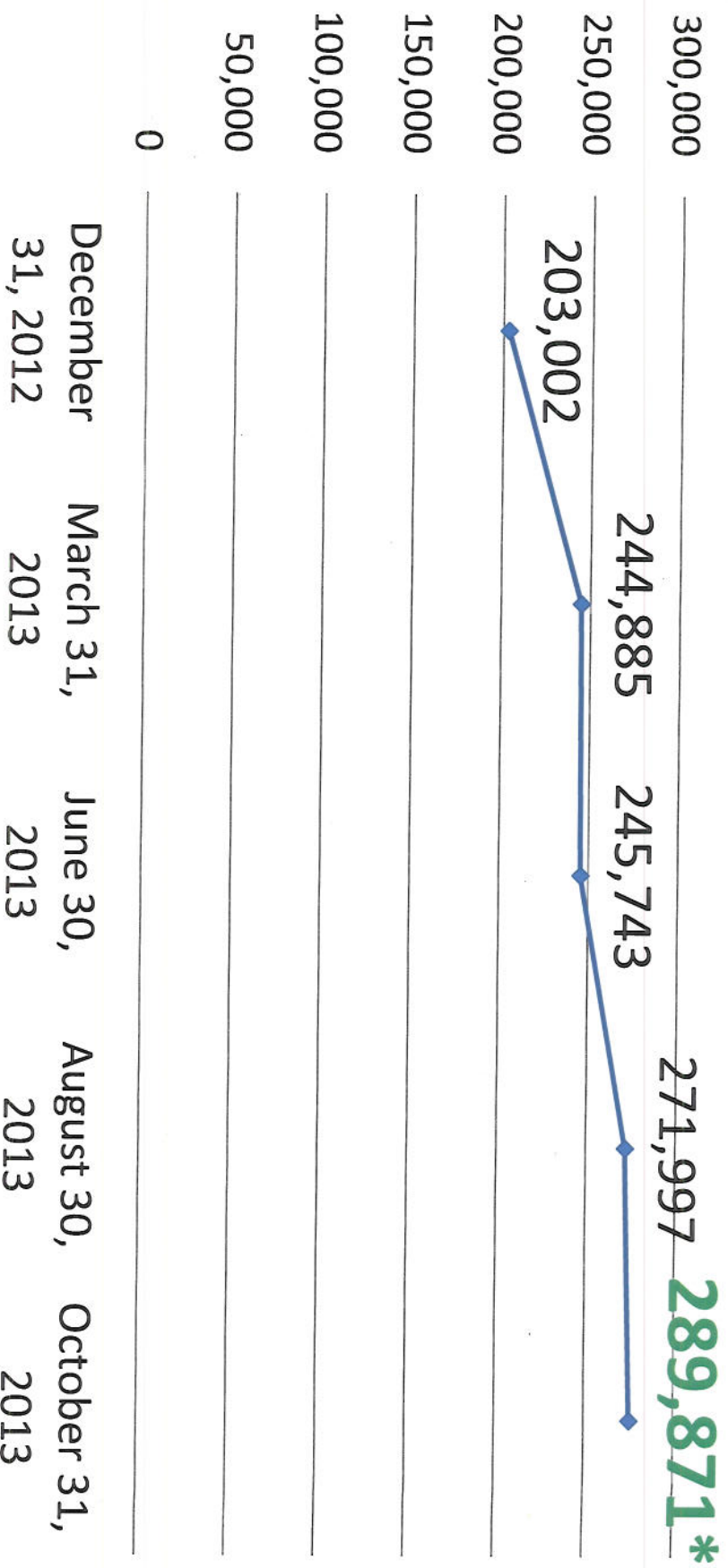
*Better
Quality*

*Same
Budget*



Healthy Way LA (HWLA)

Enrollment



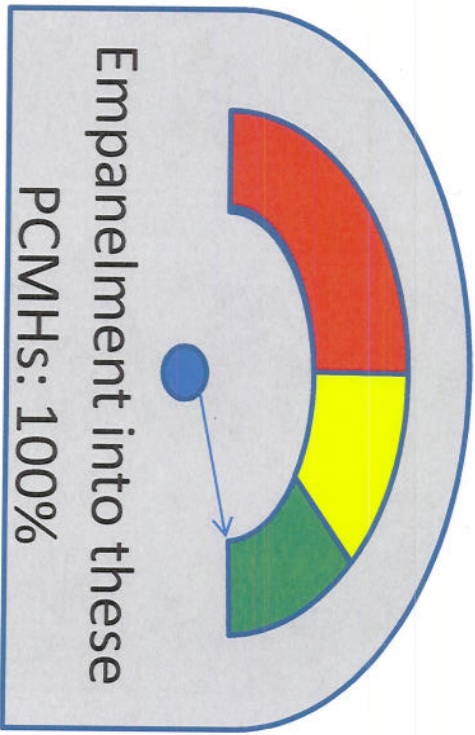
◆ Total Enrollment

NOTE: The state received federal approval to defer HWLA redeterminations due in October, November and December 2013

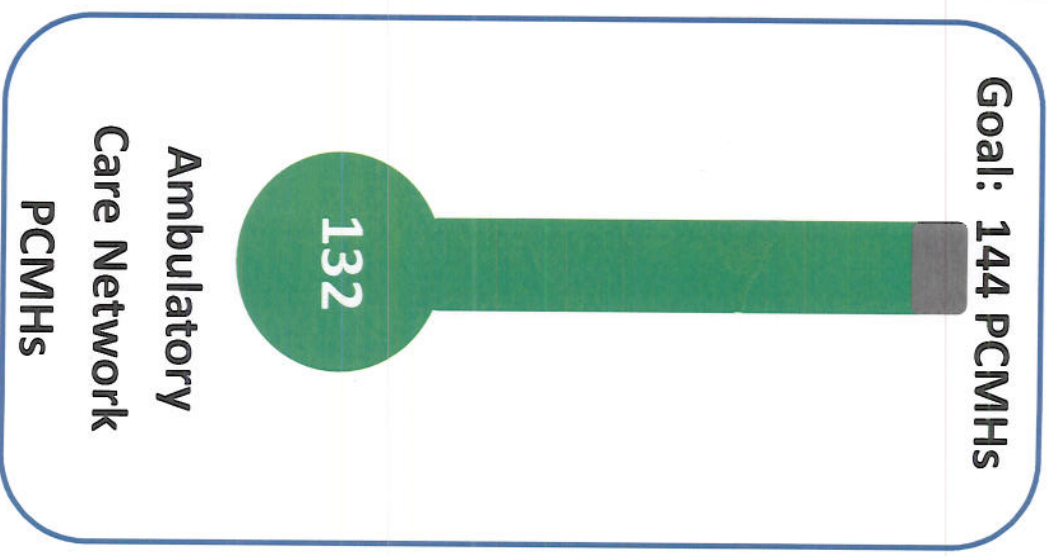
***UPDATED**

Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Ambulatory Care Network

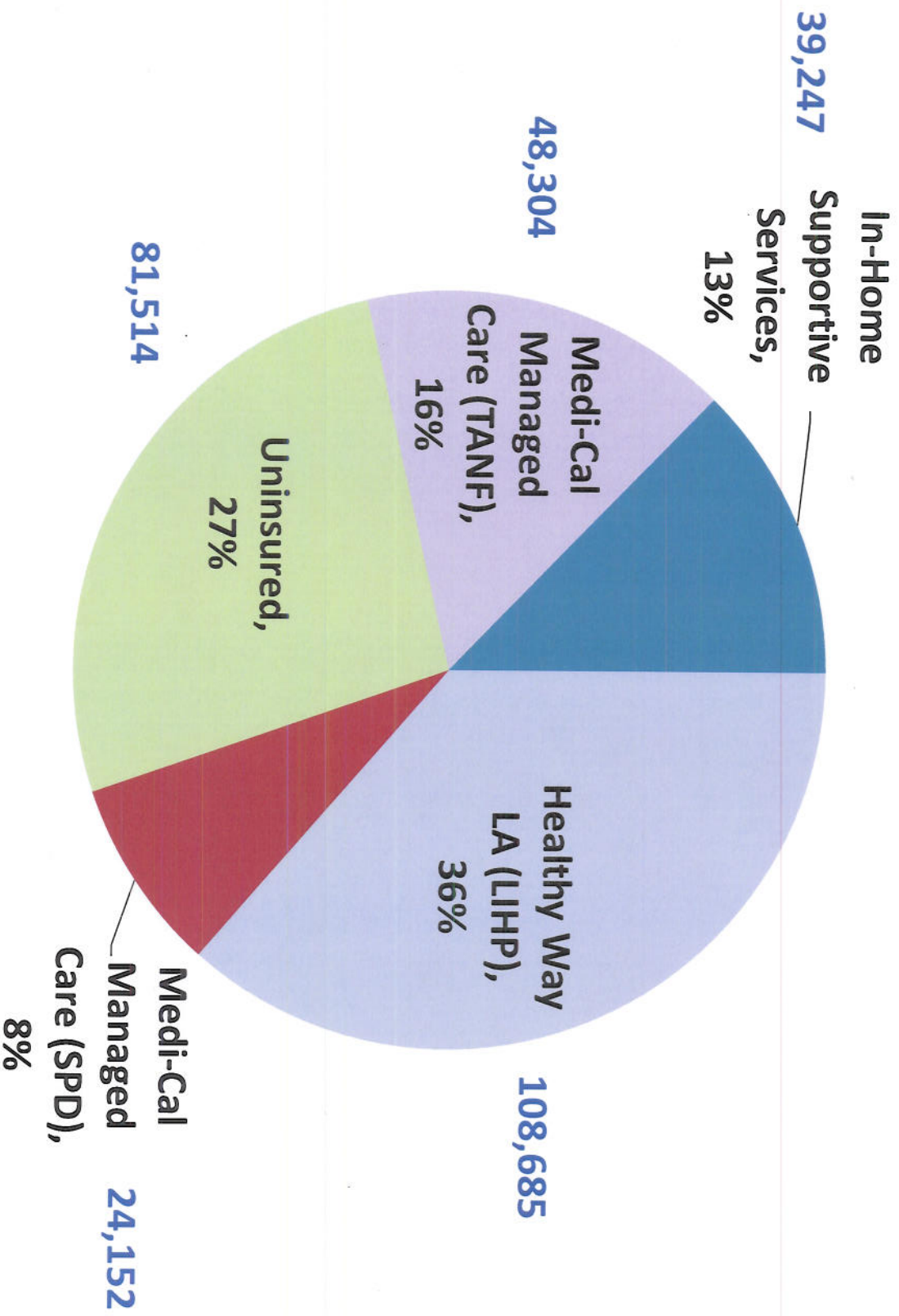
September 2013				
Goal (based on 144 PCMHs):				
44	18	20	195	
44	18	20	156	
RN III Care Manager	RN II Service Coordinator	RN I Caregiver	CMA Health Coordinator	**
PCMH Support Staff				



**71 NAs
enrolled in
CMA Programs.
Expected
Completion:
1/1/14

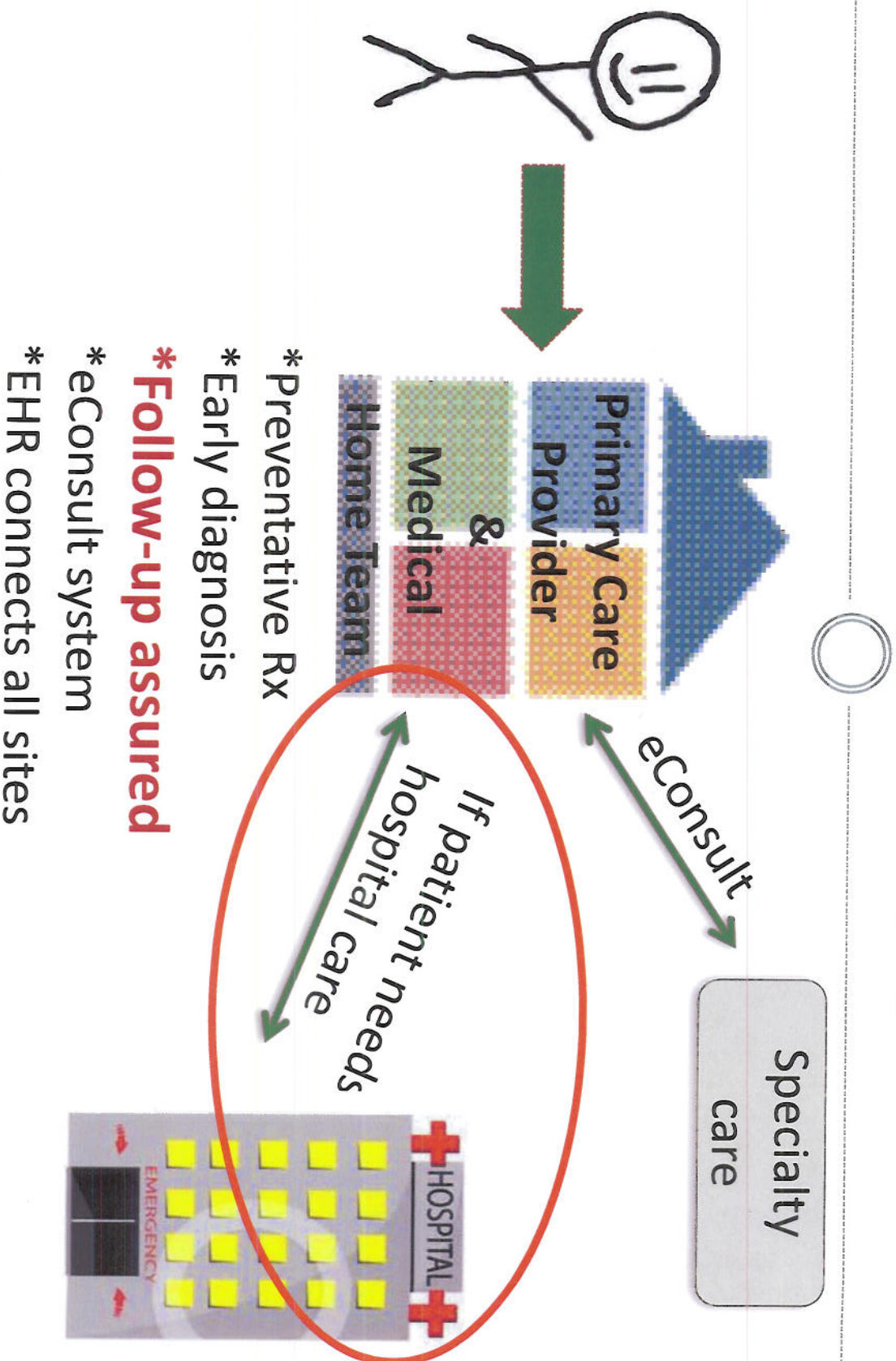


301,903 Empaneled Individuals at DHS – by Insurance Status



Integrated Care System:

Right Care, Right Time, Right Location, Right Provider



Care Transition Pilot LAC+USC Inpatient and ACN PCMHs

Hospital Course	Inpatient Team	Inpatient Service Coordinator	PCMH Service Coordinator
Hospital Day 1	Identify the patient's PCP		
Near Discharge	Communicate with PCP: status report and identifies discharge follow up needs	Ensure PCP is listed on Team rounding sheet	Contacts patient to: Schedule PCP appt. and f/u labs; Assigns Care Manager
Day of Discharge	Refers patient to PCP for post-discharge care	Sends email to Service Coordinator if discharge date and/or discharge plan is changed	Ensures medical and social needs are met (i.e. DME, transportation assistance, referrals etc.)
Post Discharge			Follows up with patient; Follows up on lab/pathology results.

Benefits of Better Care Transitions

- Coordinated patient-centered care
- Will help reduce length of stay (LOS) in our hospitals
 - Today, LOS in DHS hospitals is longer than the average LOS at comparable hospitals (5.2 days).

Weekly Average Length of Stay*					
	2012 Average	10/22/13	10/29/13	11/5/13	11/12/13
LAC+USC	6.3	7.0	6.6	6.2	6.3
Harbor-UCLA	5.7	7.1	6.2	6.1	5.9
OV-UCLA	4.9	5.0	4.6	5.3	4.9
Rancho	14.0	12.6	18.2	50.3**	6.6

* Discharge Days divided by Total Discharges

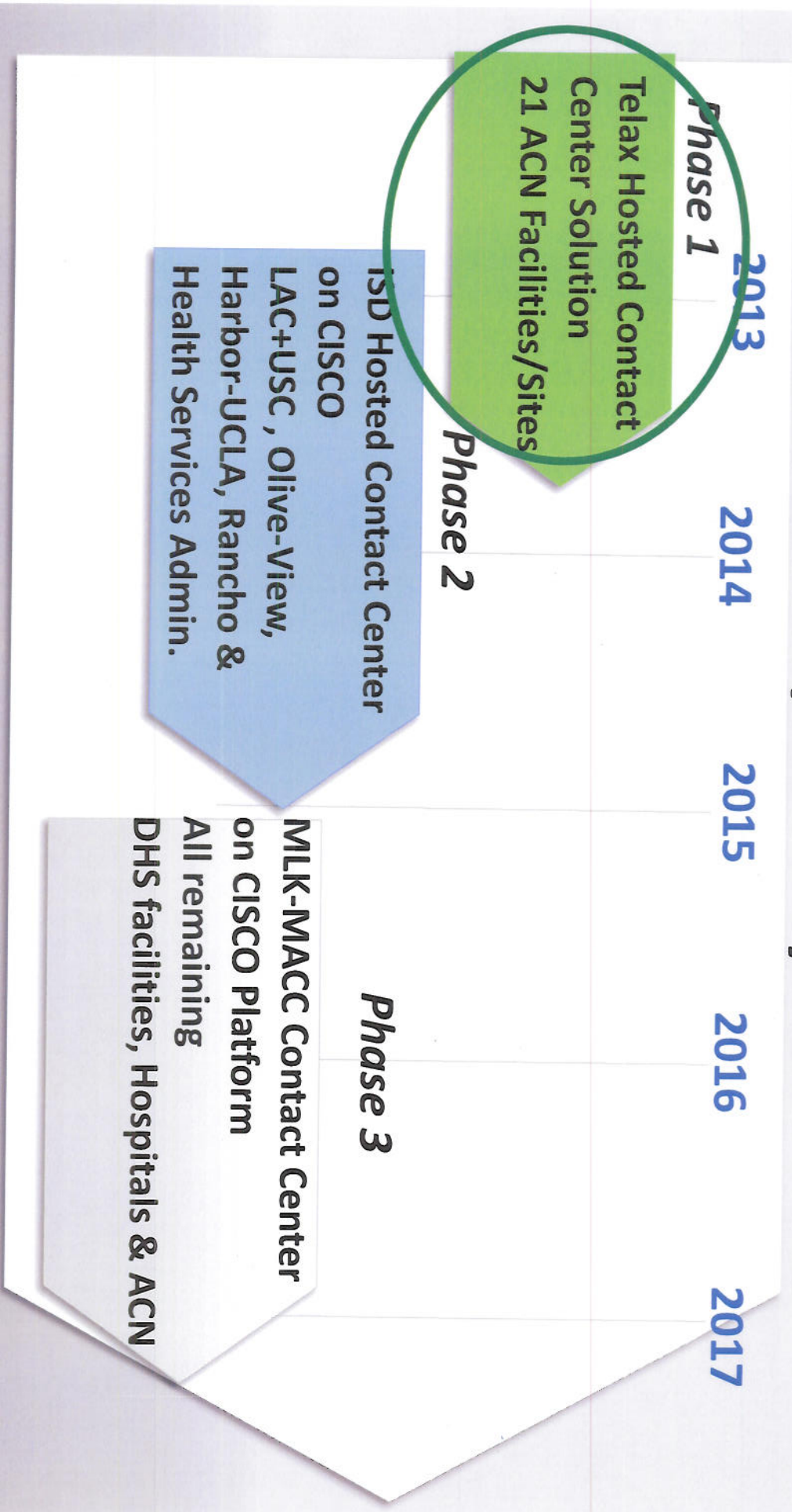
** Rancho had a high LOS because of one patient that had a very long hospitalization that ended this week.

Patient Centered Scheduling (PCS)

Task Name	% Complete	Start	Finish
Establish metrics & collection method for PCS in ACN clinic settings	100%	1/1/13	2/28/13
Create PCS SharePoint that functions as communication center	100%	1/1/13	3/31/13
Develop Effective Practices Manual for PCS implementation with change agents	100%	1/1/13	9/30/13
Standardized scheduling templates available for use throughout ACN	100%	1/1/13	9/30/13
PCS implemented in all DHS primary care clinics	70%*	1/1/13	12/31/13

*UPDATED

DHS Telephone System



Phase 1: ACN Facilities (began 3/31/13). Improve the handling of incoming calls by revising all call flows, scripts and implement a tool that can provide “true” statistics of call volumes.

DHS Telephone System - Phase I Rollout

Site	Status	Go Live Target Date
Long Beach CHC	Live	mid-2011
Royal CHC	Live	7/31/2013
Mid-Valley CHC	Live	7/30/2013
MLK-MACC	Live	7/30/2013
Lomita FMC (non-ACN Clinic)	Live	7/30/2013
Wilmington HC	Live	9/12/2013
El Monte CHC	Live	10/1/2013*
Humphrey CHC	Live	10/10/2013*
Glendale HC	Live	10/17/2013*
Hudson CHC	Live	10/23/2013*
Dollarhide HC	Live	10/24/2013*
Bellflower HC	Live	10/30/2013*

*UPDATED

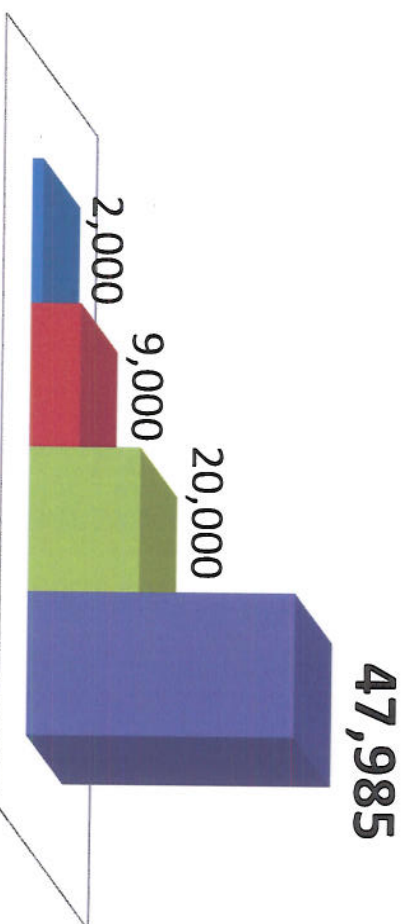
DHS Telephone System - Phase I Rollout

Site	Status	Go Live Target Date
La Puente HC	Technical issues being addressed by Vendor and ISD.	<p>9/4/2013</p> <p>9/25/2013</p> <p>10/16/2013</p> <p>Pending new date from carrier.</p>
San Fernando HC	Technical issues being addressed by Vendor.	<p>9/5/2013</p> <p>9/16/2013</p> <p>Pending new date from carrier.</p>

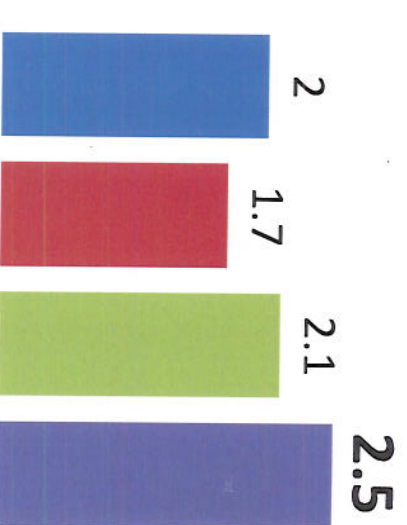
2013 eConsult (as of December 10, 2013)

eConsults

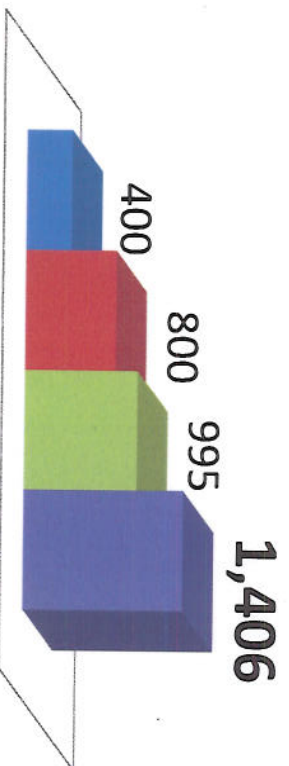
■ 1st QTR ■ 2nd QTR ■ 3rd QTR ■ As of 12/10/13



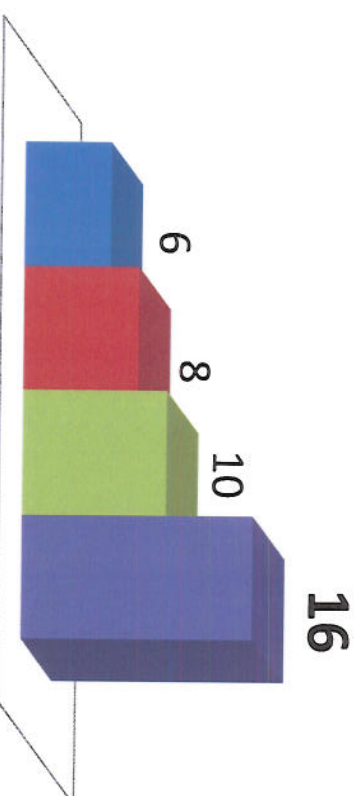
Specialist Review & Response Time in days



of Submitting Providers (DHS/CP)



of eConsult Specialties



Internal Nurse Registry

GOALS: To reduce DHS' reliance on nursing registry, maintain continuity of care and provide quality patient care.

PILOT: LAC+USC Medical Center (highest user of external RN registry at DHS) focusing on RNs. Expected timeframe is 6 months.

NOVEMBER UPDATE:

LAC+USC has hired a total of 26 Relief Nurses identified for the Internal Registry program. PARs have been completed and the nurses are going through the hiring process.

Hiring units as follows:

- 6 - Emergency Department (ED)
- 5 - Ambulatory Care
- 3 - Medical/Surgery
- 1 - Pediatrics
- 3 - Intensive Care Unit
- 4 - Psychiatry
- 4 - Obstetrics/Gynecology (OB/GYN)

Internal Nurse Registry

DHS Nurse Registries Expenses*



*Nurse Registries include RNs,

LVNs, Surgery Techs, LPTs, CNAs, &

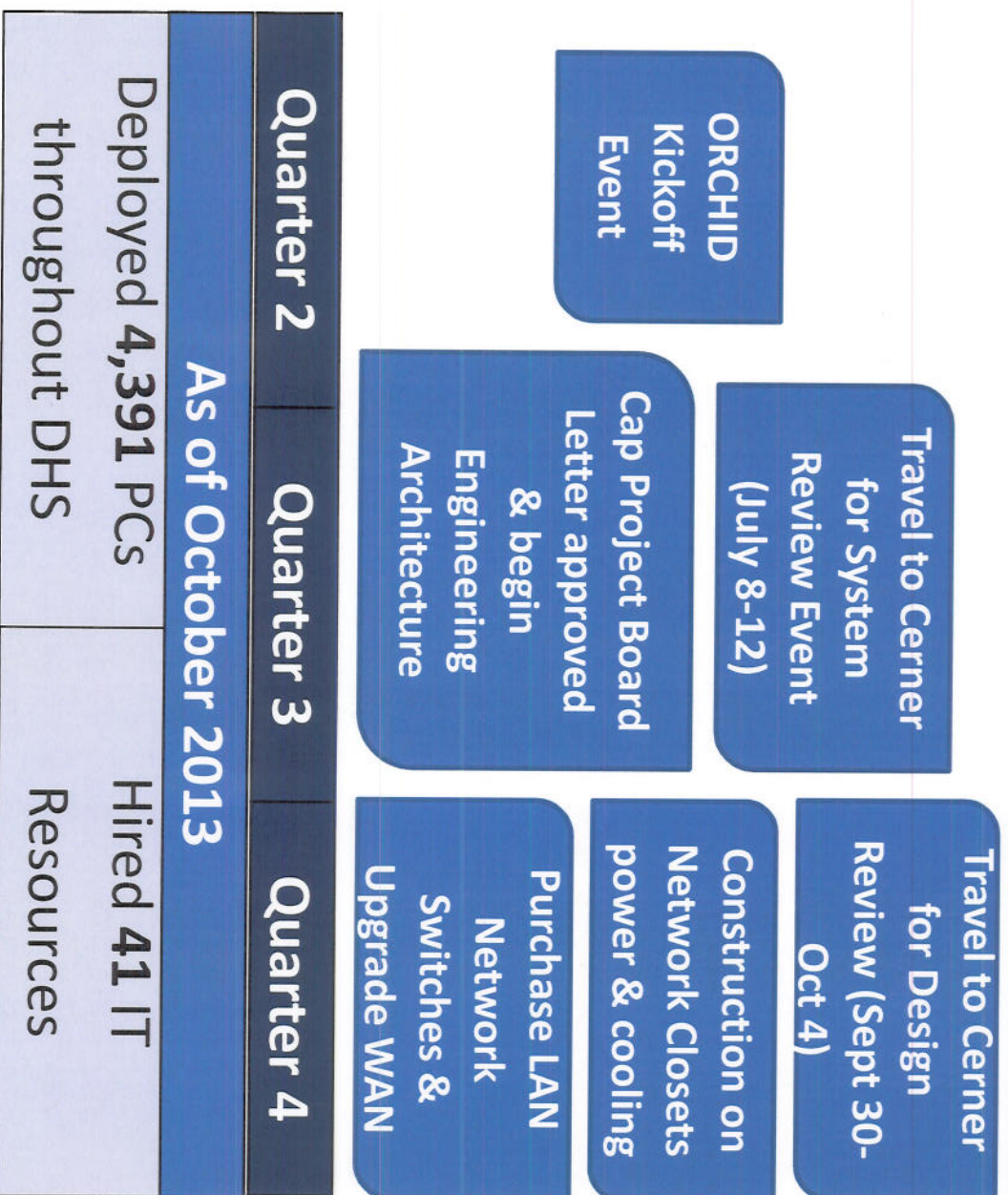
Hemodialysis.

Implement Pilot:

11/2013

ORCHID – Electronic Health Record

2013 Milestones



Infrastructure/ Build Goals

- Hire 86 IT Resources for ORCHID Project
- Infrastructure Improvements (Capital Project)
BL 12/10/13
- Upgrade/Replace PC Devices
- Upgrade Local Area Network (LAN)
- Wide Area Network (WAN)

Efforts to Increase Access To Essential Non-Emergency Surgeries

Enhance System Coordination

- Establish DHS Perioperative Committee
- Strengthen and empower Operating Room (OR) leadership
- Continue roll-out of eConsult to facilitate access to surgical services

Improve Data

- Ongoing/planned IT initiatives will improve data and enhance system planning
- ORCHID
- i2i Chronic Disease Registry
- Enterprise Patient Data Repository (EPDR)
- OR Scheduling Office System (ORSOS)
- eConsult

Expand Capacity

- Increase Total DHS OR hours
- Facilitate inter-hospital transfers to fully use available OR capacity
- Improve efficiency of hospital ORs and Ambulatory Surgical Centers



New Tab:

- New Patients
- Health Coverage Options
- Find Clinic / Hospital
- Our Services
- Patient Resources



Health Reform and You

Health Care Reform and You



Health Reform Quick Links

- Enroll Now!**
Covered California
800-300-1506
- Find a DHS Clinic Near You
- Event Calendar
- Download / Print Documents
- Health Reform And You:
Armenian - Chinese - English
Korean - Spanish - Tagalog
- Frequently Asked Questions

As the County - run health care system, Department of Health Services (DHS) is committed to ensuring that residents of Los Angeles County are informed about what the Affordable Care Act (ACA) offers. The ACA, also known as Health Care Reform or Obamacare means more people will have access to affordable health insurance.

What is the Affordable Care Act?

It's a federal law that began in 2010. It changes how some people get health care in the United States and in Los Angeles County. It is sometimes called the ACA, health care reform, or ObamaCare

Housing for Health Program

Recent Highlights

- **Within the last 6 months:**
 - **HFH helped create over 200 permanent housing slots in LA County**
- **In next 4 months:**
 - **HFH will open a new health clinic in Skid Row focusing on the needs of homeless patients and residents of supportive housing**

**The Star Apartments
100 Units of New Supportive
Housing in
Downtown Los Angeles**



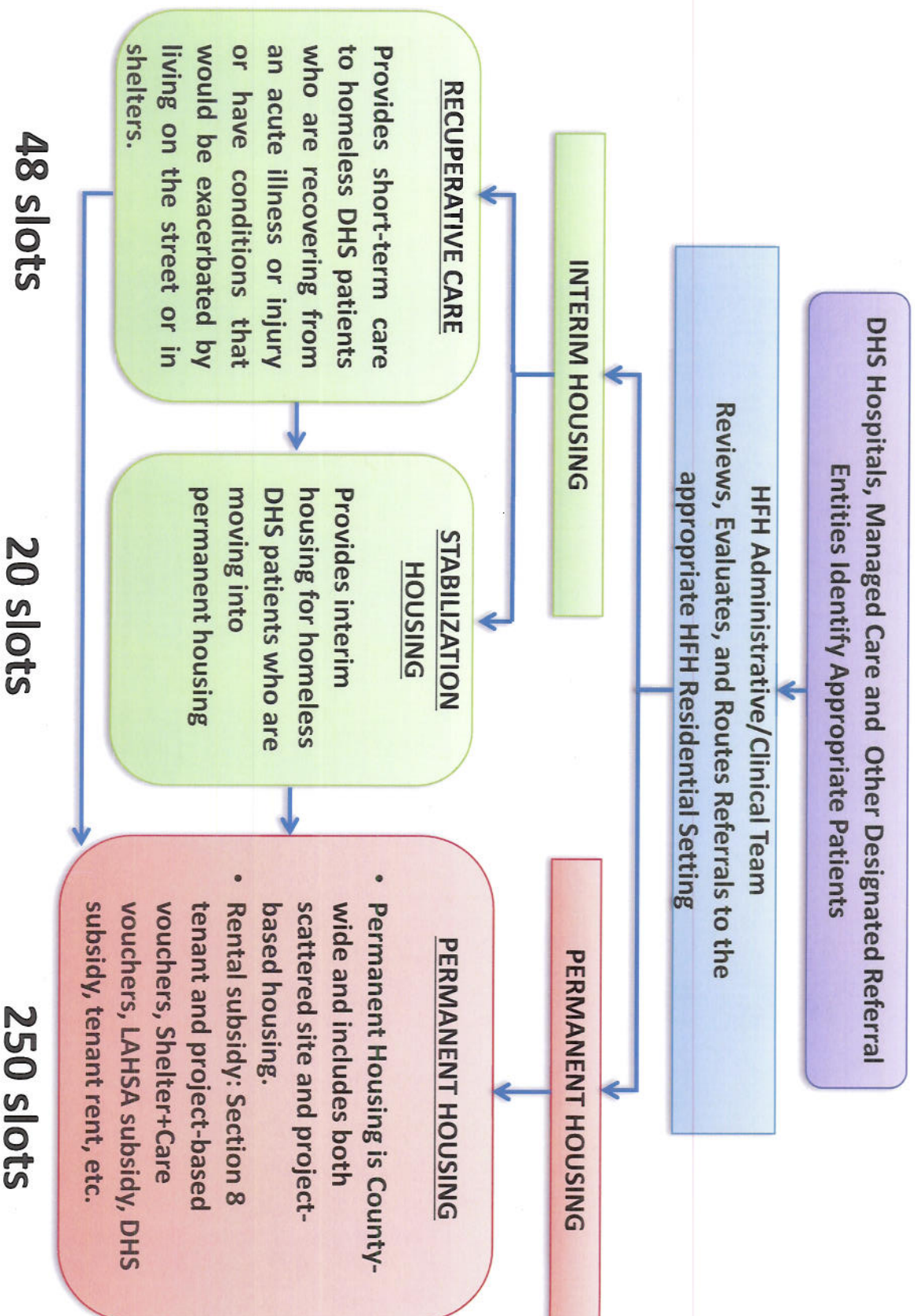
Completed November 2013

**South Los Angeles
Scattered Site Project,
56 units, 15 buildings**



Completed July 2013

DHS HOUSING FOR HEALTH (HFH) - CLIENT FLOW PROCESS



Lots done, Lots more to do!

- Although many of DHS' initiatives for health reform are underway and proving successful...
- There are many more steps to take as we accelerate our transformation

