

Impact of Uncompensated Care on UAMS

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UAMS Mission

The mission of UAMS is to improve the health, health care and well-being of Arkansans and of others in the region, nation and the world by:

- Educating current and future health professionals and the public
- Providing high-quality, innovative, patient- and family-centered health care and specialty expertise not routinely available in community settings
- Advancing knowledge in areas of human health and disease and translating and accelerating discoveries into health improvements

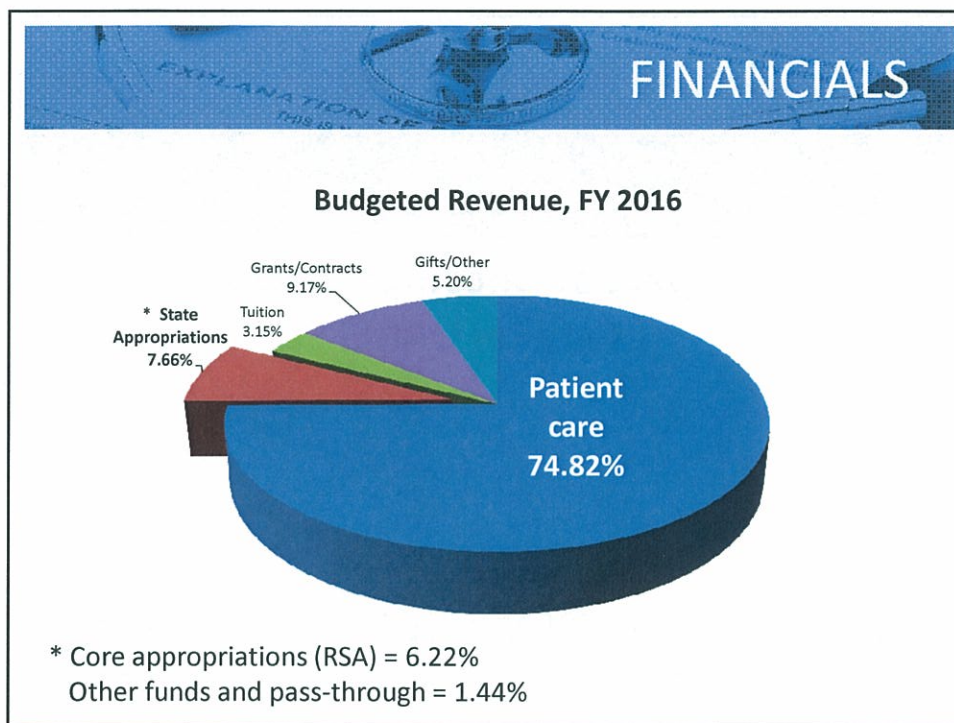
EDUCATION

- UAMS encompasses:
 - Five Colleges and Graduate School:
 - Medicine
 - Nursing
 - Public Health
 - Health Professions
 - Pharmacy
 - Teaching Hospital
 - Seven Institutes of Excellence
 - Eight Regional Centers
 - Outreach Programs around the state reaching every county
 - Campus in NW Arkansas

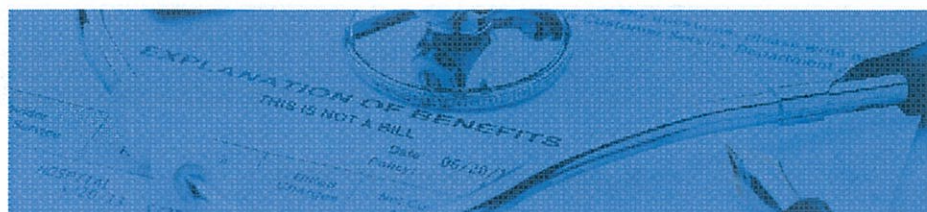
STATISTICS

- One million outpatient visits per year at UAMS, Regional Programs, CAVHS, Arkansas Children's Hospital and community sites
- We have more than 10,000 employees, 1,429 faculty members, 2,890 students in 73 different degree programs, 782 post-graduate resident physicians in 56 different disciplines



INSURANCE EXPANSION

- Insurance Expansion has helped our financial position
 - December 2013: 13.7% of patients were uninsured
 - Today: 3% of patients are uninsured
- Through March, the hospital is generating approximately a 1% margin
- UAMS on an all-funds basis, is not at break-even



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UAMS – Impact of Insurance Expansion

- 10% decrease in uninsured patient care
 - Additional revenue helps offset the decreases in other federal funds to health care
- Increase in ambulatory care visits
 - 15%
- No growth in Emergency Department visits

UAMS as an Academic Medical Center

- Over 250 Medical Residents
- Hundreds of health professions students
 - Nursing, Pharmacy, Physician's Assistants, Allied Health Professionals
- Arkansas' only Adult Level 1 Trauma Center
 - 24/7 Staffed operating room
 - Able to have a patient in the operating room within 10 minutes of arrival
 - Trauma trained attending physicians in-house 24/7
- Employ subspecialists not available in other areas of the state
 - Making this available to other hospitals through telemedicine

The Cost of an Academic Medical Center

- Education expense adds 10% to cost of care
- Recruitment and retention of specialists
- Accepting hospital to hospital transfers when outside physicians request assistance
 - Approximately 300 transfer requests per month
 - Able to accommodate 72% of these requests



Stewardship of Taxpayer Funds

- UAMS Medical Center is more expensive to run than a Community Hospital because of its clinical, education and research missions.
- Benchmarks nationally with other Academic Medical Centers
 - Members of the University Health System Consortium
 - UAMS costs are 30% below AMCs nationally