

# Community of Practice (CoP) on Eliminating Hospital Workplace Violence

Virtual Forum #9 October 24, 2024 (Noon – 1 PM)

#### **TOPIC:**

**Insights on Hospital Workplace Violence from Statewide and Other Large-Scale Data** 

#### Guest Speaker:

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#### ONLINE RESOURCES FOR HOSPITALS

This section contains select publicly-available resources on prevention/management of workplace violence in hospitals, as well as materials developed and shared by organizations participating in the Community of Practice.





# Today: Insights on Hospital Workplace Violence from Statewide and Other Large-Scale Data

#### **Objective:**

Understand what statewide data from Cal/OSHA and the Division of Workers' Compensation reveal about workplace violence towards hospital workers.

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# Insights on Hospital Workplace Violence from Statewide and Other Large-Scale Data

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#### Starting from the bedside

- Clinical experience
- John George Psychiatric Hospital (Alameda Health System)
- Policy experience: contract negotiation, state-level policy, Joint Commission consultation





#### **Outline**

- California Occupational Safety and Health Administration (Cal/OSHA) data
- Qualitative and mixed-methods data
- Preliminary workers' compensation data findings
- Summary and takeaways
- Questions



### Cal/OSHA Workplace violence standard

- CCR Title 8, Section 3342 / Senate Bill 1299
- For ALL healthcare facilities:
- Workplace Violence Prevention Plan
- Incident log
- Staff training



**Workplace Violent Incident Reporting System for Hospitals** 

- General Acute Care and Psychiatric Hospitals:
- Use Workplace Violent Incident Reporting System for Hospitals



# Workplace Violent Incident Reporting System for Hospitals: data collected

- Aggressor category
- Location of incident
- Type of incident: e.g. punching, choking, gun, knife, etc.
- Number of employees injured
- Injuries sustained
- Law enforcement involved
- Is there a continued threat? Any planned interventions/modifications
- Others

Cal/OSHA annual reports from this system: https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/WPVIH\_Annual\_Reports.html



### Cal/OSHA Workplace violence reporting system

- Two main outcomes of interest: physical injury and police involvement
- Predictors of interest: hospital location, type of ownership, hospital size
- Methods: logistic models with generalized estimating equations (clustering by hospital)

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#### RESEARCH ARTICLE



Factors associated with physical injury or police involvement during incidents of workplace violence in hospitals: Findings from the first year of California's new standard



### Cal/OSHA Workplace violence reporting system

- Key findings, based on the first 3 years of reporting (N=27,968)
  - Incidents reported on behavioral health units had **1.8 times the odds of physical injury** when compared to those reported on inpatient units
  - Investor-owned facilities had **2.4 times the odds of physical injury** when compared to city/county-owned facilities
  - Inpatient/behavioral health units had from half to one-fifth the odds of police involvement when compared to all other types of units



#### Implications and interpretation

- Confirming higher proportion of reported incidents involve physical injury in behavioral health units
- How to understand for-profit vs. non-profit difference?
  - Assumption: this is not a true difference, more likely due to reporting
  - Are investor-owned facilities concerned about public perception of workplace violence?
  - No clear answer from this data set
- Police involvement differences
  - Using in-house security for management?
  - More "part of the job" for inpatient and behavioral health?



#### Interpreting incident reporting data

- Implementation story: what do the new data tell us?
- Qualitative methods (curtailed by COVID)
- Interviews, observations

Article

#### Differences in Hospitals' Workplace Violence Incident Reporting Practices: A Mixed Methods Study

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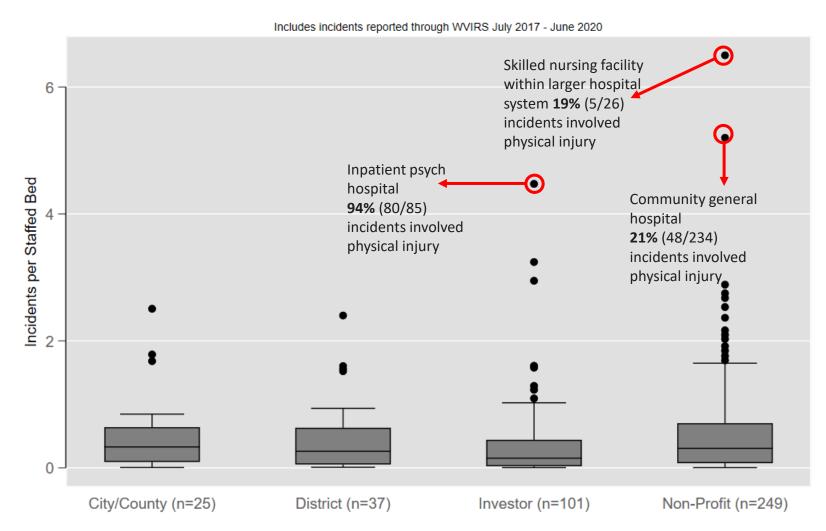


#### Number of incidents; proportion with injury

N=413 reporting facilities

 Calculated incidents per staffed bed

 Outliers: some reporting lots of incidents, some only more serious incidents





#### What factors influence reporting?

- Variables explored with qualitative data:
  - Leadership assigned to manage WV programs: law enforcement background, hospital security specialist, patient care (nursing, occupational therapy, social work)
  - Reporting process: who enters data into the system?
  - Training for staff: online, in person, what units?
  - Nurses unionized?
- Quantitative data: Incidents per staffed bed vs. percentage of events with an injury



## Mixed methods data integration

Facility ID	Leadership assigned	Reporting process	Training	Nurses unionized (ves/no)	Incidents per staffed bed	Percentage of events with injury
1	Law enforcement	Security collect data	In person; all staff	Yes	1.34*	4%*
2	Law enforcement	Staff; existing electronic system	Online; all staff	Yes	1.29	19.8*
3	Patient care	Staff; existing electronic system	Online; all staff	Yes	0.32*	27%*
4	Patient care	Staff; existing electronic system	Online; all staff	Yes	0.55*	35.5%*
5	WV consultant; security specialist	Unit manager collects data	Online; all clinical staff	Yes	0.04*	63.7%*
6	Patient care	House supervisor collects data	In person; ED and security	No	0.04	75%



#### Mixed methods takeaways

- There are many organizational, cultural, environmental factors that influence reporting practices
- Certain "profiles" such as dedicated staff with security background, in person training, unionized workforce – may increase reporting, while others may decrease reporting
- Decisions impacting what is reported and how should be made intentionally, with collaboration from frontline staff
  - How are internal data going to be utilized?
  - How will results be shared with staff?
  - How will results inform practice change?



#### **Workers' Compensation Information System**

- All California employers included
- First Reports of Injury (FROI) and Subsequent Reports of Injury (SROI)



- Start to answer the question: what has changed over time?
- Policy researcher: does legislation make a difference?

Data included: claims filed 2013-2021

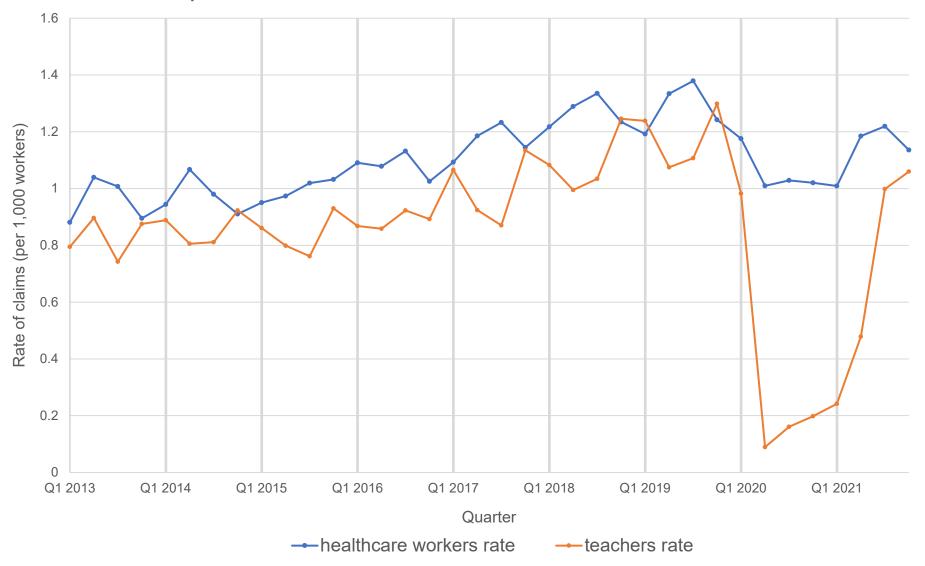


#### Using claims data for research

- First identify healthcare workers (teachers as control)
  - 1.02 million claims for healthcare workers
  - 489,000 claims for teachers
- Then, identify violence-related claims
  - 44,310 violence-related claims for healthcare workers
  - 30,052 violence-related claims for teachers
- Combination of codes and free-text entries
  - Introduces possibility of error
  - Violence definition is not standardized; Bureau of Labor Statistics (intentional harm only)



#### Workplace violence-related claims in California, 2013-2021



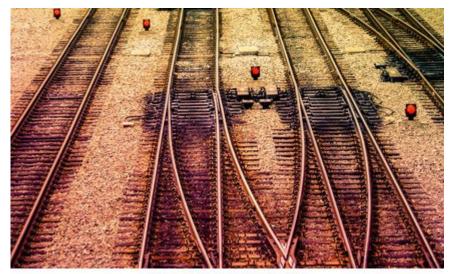


#### **Preliminary findings**

- Types of facilities with greatest proportion of claims due to violence
  - Substance use/social rehab recovery homes
  - Residential care facilities for children; developmentally disabled
  - Psychiatric hospitals
- Additional analysis: Types of workers most impacted, cost associated
- Interrupted time series analysis full results to be available shortly!



#### Big data vs. Small data



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What kinds of questions do we need to answer?



Who needs to be convinced?



What interventions are being tested?



Short-term and long-term approaches



#### New directions: Upstream approach

- Mental health crisis interventions: community-based instead of hospital-based
- Keeping mental health crises out of the criminal justice system

Community Mental Health Journal https://doi.org/10.1007/s10597-024-01296-1

ORIGINAL PAPER

Mobile Crisis Teams' Implementation in the Context of new Medicaid Funding Opportunities: Results from a National Survey

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#### Thanks!

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## **Questions/Comments/Group Discussion**



### **Coming Up – November Virtual Forum**

Date & Time: **November 21, 2024** 

12 Noon - 1:00 PM (PST)

Topic: Innovative Tools and Practices for Workplace Violence Prevention

(K-9 program & body-worn cameras)

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Registration is open on the website.



#### **Evaluation**

Link to a brief evaluation survey is available:

- > In Chat
- ➤ On the program web page for the 10/24 forum
- Via e-mail after the forum

## Adjourn

# Thank you!