

MCMCFC Legislative Priorities for Fiscal Year 2023

The Michigan County Medical Care Facilities Council bases its legislative advocacy on the following points:

- County medical care facilities play a pivotal role in caring for Michigan's residents as a Class III safety net provider.
- **Michigan should extend the Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Medicaid reimbursement rate at current levels, which will ensure higher reimbursements for MCFs while lowering costs on the state and counties until such a time as a new reimbursement system, which recognizes Class III providers, is initiated.**
- Nurse staffing shortages are a national concern and directly affect Michigan's long-term care residents. We support sound policies and new investments designed to strengthen our workforce, such as providing state certification for medication aides.
- Nursing homes must be held to high standards, but regulatory overreach and unproductive policies, such as the mandatory nurse aide training lockout, must end. The nursing home oversight system should be straightforward, equitable, consistently applied and quality-driven. Regulations should focus on producing better outcomes, not paper compliance.
- Medicaid and Medicare are essential programs that should receive adequate funding to ensure high-quality care.
- Any move from traditional Medicaid to block grant or per capita cap systems must provide adequate funding that supports the complex needs of today's residents (rehabilitative, medical, behavioral) and includes provider tax and maintenance of effort programs.
- We support the expanded use of technology in achieving improved quality and safety.

County-owned Medical Care Facilities

Meeting your health care needs for rehabilitation, short- and long-term skilled care in your community.

- **Post-acute Care**
- **Inpatient and Outpatient Rehabilitation Services**
- **Dementia Care**
- **Complex Wound Care and IV Therapy**
- **Neighborhood/Home-like Environment**
- **Adult Day Care**
- **Respite Care**
- **Comfort Care for End-of-life Services**
- **Assisted Living Services**
- **Independent Living Services**
- **Hospice Support**
- **High Level of Family and Community Involvement**
- **Bariatric Services**
- **Home Health Care**
- **PACE**

(Not all MCFs provide all of the above services.)



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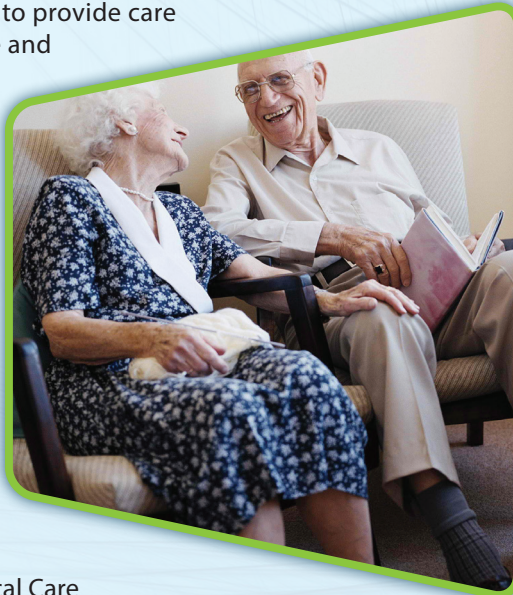
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Working Together

This brochure provides information about two entities that strive to make the highest quality nursing home care available to citizens of Michigan.

The goal of both entities is to provide care to your loved one of a type and quality that will fully satisfy the needs of both the person cared for and his or her family. We want your family member and you to feel confident in the quality of care and comfortable in the surroundings.

Michigan has 34 county-owned medical care facilities providing person-centered care across the state. Together, they have formed the Michigan County Medical Care Facilities Council (MCMCFC) to support, educate and advocate on behalf of MCFs.



The Facilities

There are 34 county medical care facilities and two other members (Saginaw, Midland) that serve unique populations in Michigan. Medical care facilities serve citizens in all of Michigan's 83 counties and are the safety net for Michigan's most vulnerable citizens who need nursing home care, regardless of their ability to pay for care. Medical care facilities are county-owned and operated nursing homes, many of which receive support from local millages.

Medical care facilities offer a variety of services depending on the facility. In addition to long-term skilled nursing care, many medical care facilities also provide adult day and overnight respite care, rehabilitation and therapy services, hospice and end-of-life care, Alzheimer's and related dementia care and independent and assisted living.

The Council

The Michigan County Medical Care Facilities Council represents these publicly owned facilities to policy-makers in Lansing and Washington, D.C.

The MCMCFC also provides education through conferences and other meetings in order to permit medical care facility administrators and staffers to stay current on issues of importance and share best practices.

The MCMCFC was independently incorporated in 2006 as a nonprofit corporation. We initially formed in 1965 as an affiliate of the Michigan County Social Services Association, which was chartered on Oct. 1, 1943, as a nonprofit corporation under the authority of Public Act 327 and Public Act 280 of 1939 as amended.

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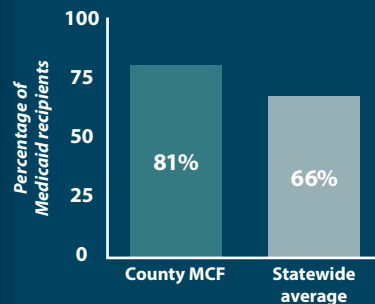
The 34 county facilities in Michigan have 4,712 beds. That number changes over time as new facilities are constructed or new wings or specialized programs are added.

In MCFs, 80.95% of residents are enrolled in Medicaid, compared with a statewide average of 66.35%.

The average number of nursing staff hours dedicated to each resident in a medical care facility is 6.28 hours per day, while in other nursing homes, residents, on average, receive 4.99 hours of care each day.

Serving those most in need

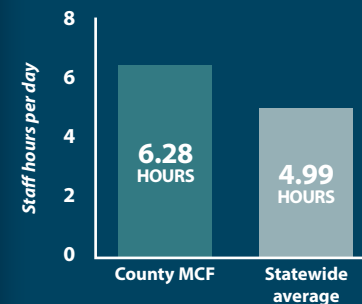
Residents at county-owned MCFs are more likely to be recipients of Medicaid assistance than the average for facilities across Michigan.



Source: Plante Moran 2020 Cost Report

Bedside care for our residents

Residents at county-owned MCFs receive 26 percent more nursing staff hours, on average, than the statewide average.



Source: Plante Moran 2020 Cost Report

County medical care facilities have overwhelmingly embraced a person-centered care environment. This may include affiliation with the Eden Alternative™ or other culture change initiatives. Building and care redesigns often include increased numbers of private rooms, neighborhoods, households, pets, small private dining areas, living rooms, accessible kitchens and laundry areas and dedicated, permanent staff.