

California Hospital Bed and EMS Data System (HBEDS)

HBEDS Launch Announcement

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) is pleased to announce the official launch of the California Hospital Bed and EMS Data System (HBEDS), a statewide platform that provides real-time visibility into hospital bed availability. This modernized system will support everyday hospital operations, patient transfers, and coordinated emergency response across California. Participation in this system is free of charge to participating healthcare facilities, EMS, and local governmental agencies.

About HBEDS

HBEDS is an automated system that collects and displays up-to-date hospital bed availability on a secure, privately accessible dashboard. The platform will be used by hospital staff, Regional Disaster Medical Health Coordinators/Specialists (RDMHC/S), Medical Health Operational Area Coordinators (MHOACs), local public health agencies, local Emergency Medical Services (EMS) agencies, and state officials. By offering timely, standardized data, HBEDS strengthens decision-making during routine operations as well as during mass-casualty incidents and medical surge events.

In 2024 and early 2025, approximately 60 hospitals participated in a pilot project that tested the value and feasibility of real-time statewide bed reporting. Based on the success of this pilot, the Legislature passed AB-177, now codified as [Health and Safety Code sections 131400 to 131425](#), requiring the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to establish a bed capacity data system to which GACHs and emergency departments are to submit data. CDPH has developed HBEDS to comply with this mandate. This letter announces the official launch of HBEDS and provides initial information regarding the contractor, onboarding, and next steps.

Contractor Selection

CDPH has now secured a long-term contractor for HBEDS, the Hospital Association of Southern California (HASC). HASC's ReddiNet service has operated emergency medical communications systems used by local government, hospitals, EMS, first responders, and other health care providers across California since 1971. The ReddiNet system used by HASC for HBEDS is a new real-time automated bed reporting module that can be used separately from HASC's other ReddiNet products.

While this ReddiNet solution is a new system, the experience and insights gained during the HBEDS pilot project remain invaluable. The work completed by the participating hospitals in the pilot project has directly effectuated the statewide launch and will help ensure a smooth transition. All hospitals, including the participating hospitals in the pilot project, will need to complete onboarding into the new HBEDS system, and CDPH will provide hands-on guidance and support throughout the process.

Next Steps

In the coming months, CDPH and HASC will begin outreach to GACHs, RDMHC/S, MHOACs, local public health agencies, and local EMS agencies to share onboarding details and implementation timelines. In addition, CDPH will convene statewide and regional governance meetings with partners to develop guidance on the effective use of HBEDS.

GACHs have been notified of the HBEDS launch by [AFL 26-26](#), which was distributed on July 20. The [CDPH HBEDS webpage](#) has more information on the program and will continue to be updated with answers to FAQs.

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