

ACRONYMS

Below identifies commonly used healthcare acronyms found in discussions, reports or articles.

AAFP	American Academy of Family Practice
AAP	American Academy of Pediatrics
ACA	Accountable Care Act (Federal)
ACLS	Advanced Cardiac Life Saving
AHF	Alliance Health Foundation (a local funding agency)
AVP	Associate Vice President (considered senior management)
BAA	Business Associate Agreement (HIPAA requirement)
BMI	Body Mass Index (measurement of the body fatness)
BOD	Board of Directors
BPHC	Bureau of Primary Health Care (federal)
CCHN	Community Clinics Health Network (part of the CCC)
CCC or "Council"	Council of Community Clinics-San Diego
CDBG	City Development Block Grant (\$ provided to the City for grants to organizations)
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CET	Corporate Executive Team
CFO	Chief Financial Officer
CHC	Community Health Center(s)
CHDP	Child Health Disparities Program
CHG	Community Health Group (a health plan)
CIS	Change in Scope (Federal)
CLIA	Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments
CMA	California Medical Association
CMAC	California Medical Assistance Commission
CMO	Chief Medical Officer
COO	Chief Operations Officer
CPCA	California Primary Care Association (State lobbying group)
CMS	California Medical Services
CMS	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (Federal)
CQI	Continuous Quality Improvement
DHHS	Department of Health & Human Services
EDR	Electronic Dental Records
EHR	Electronic Health Records
EMR	Electronic Medical Records
EMS	Emergency Medical Services (county)
FAAP	Fellow American Association of Pediatricians
FFS	Fee for Service (Federal, sliding scale applies)
FHCSD	Family Health Centers of San Diego (FQHC)
FQHC	Federally Qualified Health Centers (designation that allows for receipt of federal dollars to subsidize care)
HEDIS	Healthcare Effectiveness Data & Information Set (Quality metrics)
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996
HID	Health Information Department

HIT	Health Information Technology
HIV	Human immunodeficiency virus
HMO	Health Maintenance Organization
HPSA	Health Professional Shortage Area
HRSA	Health Resources & Services Administration (Federal)
IDS	Integrated Delivery System
INS	Immigration & Naturalization Services
IPA	Independent Practice Association
IT	Information Technology
MFT	Marriage & Family Therapist
MSO	Managed Service Organization
MUA	Medically Underserved Area
NACHC	National Association of Community Health Centers (National lobbying group)
NCHS	North County Health Services (FQHC)
NCQA	National Committee for Quality Assurance
NCQI	National Committee for Quality Improvement
NHC	Neighborhood Health Care (FQHC)
NHSC	National Health Service Corps (Federal Scholarship program)
OBP	Operational Business Plan (annual business plan)
OSHA	Occupational Safety & Health Administration
OSHPD	Office of Statewide Health Planning & Development (State report of statistics submitted annually by clinic)
PALS	Pediatric Advanced Life Saving
PCMH	Patient Centered Medical Home
PCRHS	Primary Care & Rural Health Services
PNC	Patient Navigation Center
PHS	Palomar Health Systems
PPS	Preferred Payment System
PRS	Patient Resources Services
Q&A	Questions and Answers
QA	Quality Assurance
SM	San Marcos
STD	Sexually Transmitted Diseases
TBC	Team-Based Care
TCMC	Tri-City Medical Center
UDS	Uniform Data System (Federal Report of statistics submitted annually)
VCC	Vista Community Clinic (FQHC)
VP	Vice President (Considered Executive Management)
WIC	Women, Infants & Children Supplemental Nutrition Program