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SAN DIEGO UNION TRIBUNE, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2006

Critics speak against UCSD plan to move hospital care

By Cheryl Clark
STAFF WRITER

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Facilities worry about getting more patients

Group consulting firm, presented supervisors with his \$600,000 report on the move.

The multivolume study, whose cost was shared by the county and a philanthropy, the California Endowment, high-

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UCSD Chief Physician Defends Hospital's Plan

Regents Hear Details Of Proposed Move

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UCSD plans to transfer hundreds of hospital beds from Hill

A critical move

By Travis Hunter
LA JOLLA LIGHT

OCTOBER 12, 2006

With two facilities on Genessee Avenue and another on North Torrey Pines Road, La Jollans are never far from a quality hospital. The longterm plan for UCSD's Medical Center would put even more hospital beds in the community. The question is, where does that leave the rest of the city.

The plan calls for UCSD, which currently provides inpatient hospital care at both its La Jolla and Hillcrest locations, to consolidate all of its inpatient services at the La Jolla location by 2030. Medical Center leaders say the move will

get the Hillcrest building up to the new standards.

Instead, they decided to spend that money on the La Jolla location. The Medical Center plans to spend between \$800 million and \$1 billion on expanding Thornton Hospital in La Jolla. They plan to move about 175 of the 375 beds at Hillcrest to La Jolla by 2014.

By 2030, it would move the remaining Hillcrest beds to La Jolla, effectively closing the inpatient hospital at Hillcrest and creating a single, 500-bed facility in La Jolla.

Medical Center Chief Executive Officer Richard Liekweg said the consolidation

3 hospitals south of I-8 could fail, report says

By Cheryl Clark, STAFF WRITER

At least three hospitals serving many poor and uninsured people south of Interstate 8 are in danger of financial collapse. Few physician specialists will accept such patients. And the county lacks a system to coordinate their care.

Those are three of 24 serious weaknesses in San Diego County's broken safety net that more than 900,000 Medi-Cal beneficiaries and uninsured residents depend on for medical care, according to a draft of a county-commissioned report released yesterday.

The resulting challenges are likely to grow as this population continues to rise.

In particular, San Diego County ranks last in the state for county spending per uninsured resident, the report

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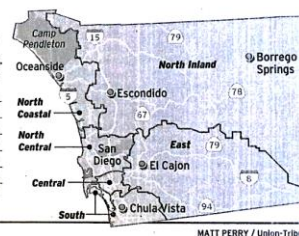
The health safety net

Nearly one in three people in San Diego County is uninsured or on Medi-Cal, according to a county-commissioned study released yesterday.

Area	Uninsured	Medi-Cal	Combined
Central	22.3%	22.3%	44.6%
East	12.3%	13.3%	25.6%
North Central	10.7%	8.6%	19.3%
North Coastal	13.2%	11.2%	24.4%
North Inland	13.1%	12.4%	25.5%
South	21.1%	19.4%	40.5%
Overall	15.2%	14.3%	29.5%

Note: All figures are estimates.

SOURCE: The Abaris Group



MATT PERRY / Union-Tribune

SAN DIEGO UNION TRIBUNE, MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2006

Town hall meetings to focus on health care and the poor

First session is today in El Cajon

By Cheryl Clark
STAFF WRITER

county versus the medical services available in those areas.

The county and The California Endowment, a philanthropic health-care group, are splitting the cost of the report.

"We have been asked to do a

said the future of medicine involves high-tech methods such as teleconferencing, which might allow doctors at Thornton to guide medical procedures being performed at the UCSD hospital in Hillcrest.

Supervisors objecting to UC Medical Center move

GIG CONAUGHTON
STAFF WRITER

SAN DIEGO — UCSD Medical Center proposals that would close the university's Hillcrest hospital and move it to La Jolla threatens the region's health care "safety

HERE INITIATIVE DESIGN

- Interviews with over 150 leaders
- Analysis of data on health and education disparities
- Alignment with tripartite mission
- Nine projects emerged in health, education and research





The HERE Initiative is designed to empower communities in the southern and southeastern regions of San Diego County.

HERE provides key health care services, educational and workforce development opportunities, and avenues for groundbreaking community and research partnerships.

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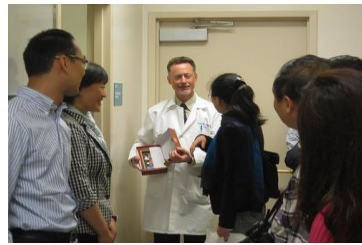
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Facility Tours
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