

Healthy Virginia

Better health, Better health care

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An alliance of hospitals and health delivery systems

Virginia Strengths

- **Attractive business climate and diverse economy**
- **7th highest state in per capita income**
- **Rich history of principled policy leadership and fiscal management**
- **Highly ranked schools and higher education systems**
- **Strong hospitals and health care systems**

Health Challenges

Chronic illness is on the rise

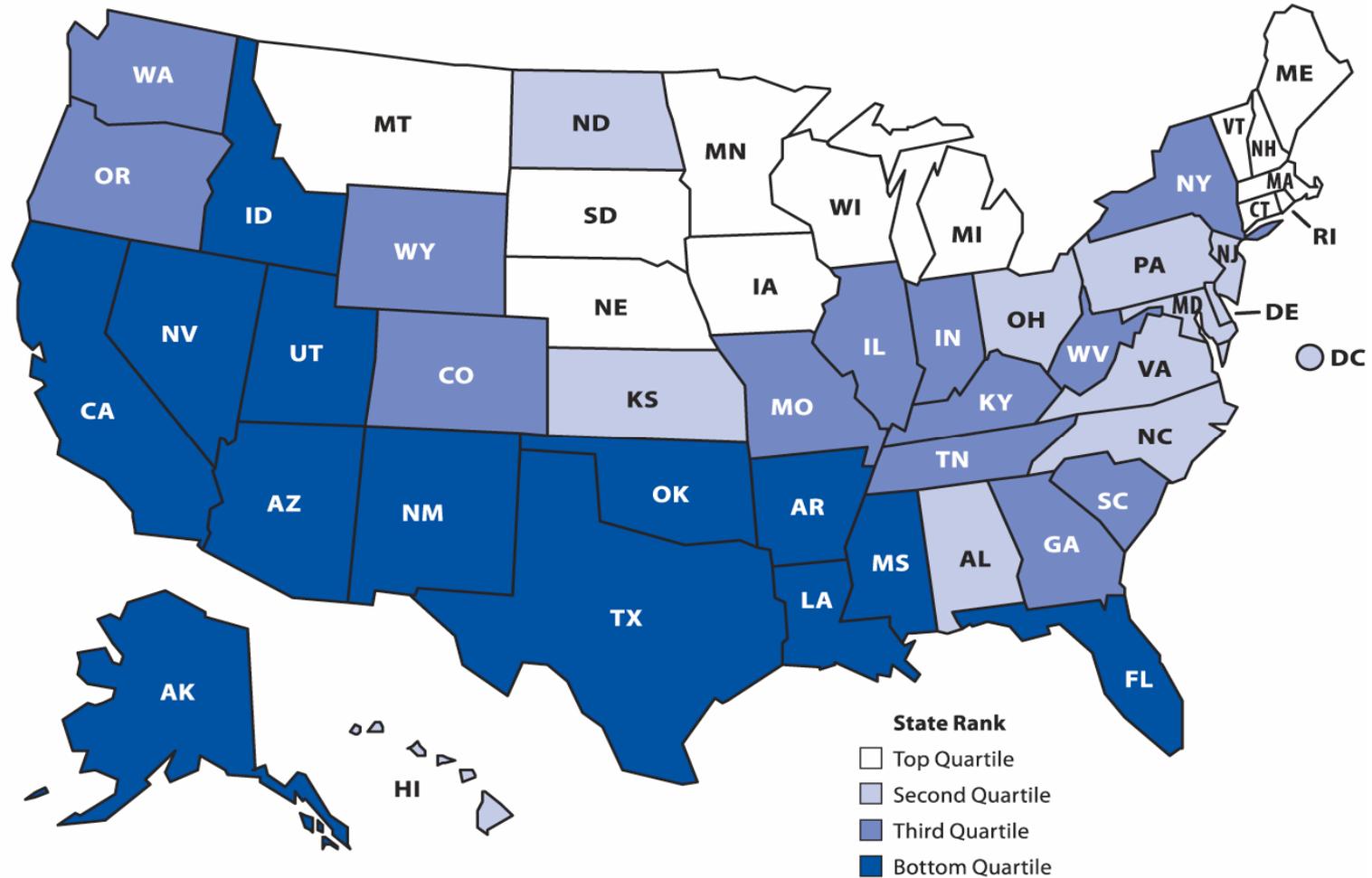
- Half of Americans have one or more chronic illnesses
- 80% of spending is linked to chronic illness
- Much of this is avoidable
- Obesity has doubled; Diabetes is on the rise

Virginia trends on rise as well

- Growing gaps in coverage and access to care for regions and populations
- Aging population – by 2030 one in five Virginians will be over 65
- 24% of population obese, 17th highest state in terms of obesity-related costs
- 17th highest infant mortality rate

Quality Differences Among States

State Ranking on Quality Dimension



Health Must Improve

Without concerted action, aging and chronic illness trends will overwhelm state and federal budgets

The imperatives are clear:

- Improve chronic care management
- Reverse the trend of avoidable illness
- Achieve healthier behaviors
- Support individuals' personal health goals
- Provide education and prevention
- Help all reach their highest potential for health

Action from everyone is required

Proposed 2008-2010 Budget Actions*

Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Virginia Share plan for working uninsured •Increase support for community safety net •Expand prenatal coverage for pregnant women 	<p>\$7.7 GF</p> <p>\$10 GF</p> <p>\$2.6 GF/\$4.8 NGF</p>
Workforce	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Higher education bond package includes support for new/expanded medical schools at; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Virginia Tech/Carilion, VCU/MCV & EVMS 	<p>\$59 each</p>
Long Term Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Continue Acute / LTC Integration initiative, fund implementation costs 	<p>\$0.6 GF/\$0.65 NGF</p>
Quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Medicaid chronic care management (net savings) 	<p>(\$0.8 GF/ \$0.8 NGF)</p>
Mental Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Added support for CSB crisis stabilization programs •Increased mental health services case managers •Children’s mental health service clinicians (40 more) •Expand outpatient clinicians and therapists for more prompt CSB assessments •Expanded jail diversion program •Added monitoring and accountability of CSB roles and service delivery (additional state staff) 	<p>\$14.6</p> <p>\$8.8</p> <p>\$5.8</p> <p>\$4.5</p> <p>\$6.0</p> <p>\$0.9</p>

* Biennial dollars

VHHA Budget Priorities

- **Access – Sustain Budget Provisions**
 - Prenatal care coverage expansion
 - Virginia Share working uninsured pilot
 - Safety net support

Key investments that highly leverage state dollars

- **Mental Health - Sustain Budget Provisions**
 - Strengthened case management and accountability
 - Budget support matched with policy goals

VHHA Budget Priorities

- **Healthcare Workforce - Targeted Investments**
 - **Physician supply**
 - Bond package includes critical medical school investments that will benefit healthcare statewide
 - \$59 million each at VaTech/Carilion, VCU and EVMS
 - Long term challenge that deserves capital support
 - **Restore Support for Nursing Partnerships**
 - Current budget included \$1.5 million/year to support innovative regional partnership and statewide RN faculty scholarships
 - Programs are highly successful and, together with other efforts, are beginning to close the critical RN shortage
 - But now is not the time to retreat – please support restoration
 - **Support new rural-focused RN program at Longwood**
 - Completed feasibility study has documented need for new rural-focused BSN program and training partnerships are in place
 - One-time \$1 million for lab and base funding of \$590,348 in FY09 and \$312,213 in FY10 needed to launch this key program