

# 340B IN ACTION

San Francisco Health Network

City & County of San Francisco,  
Dept of Public Health

Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital (ZSFG) is our community's medical center: a key part of the San Francisco Health Network, providing over half a million outpatient visits, including specialty care, and service to over 100,000 inpatients. ZSFG is San Francisco's primary safety-net provider, serving a high number of economically disadvantaged residents.

ZSFG operates the only Level 1 trauma center for San Francisco and northern San Mateo County. Being cared for at ZSFG lowers the risk of death by 20 – 25% compared to non-trauma centers.

ZSFG also maintains the only Psychiatric Emergency Service in San Francisco, with nearly 7,000 annual encounters.

Eighteen affiliated Safety Net clinics also participate in 340B.

## + Protect Our Patients: Stop Cuts to 340B

1992

Congress created 340B

\$0

340B costs taxpayers nothing

< 3%

340 B sales are less than 3% of the \$457 billion U.S. drug market

Source: AAMC.org/340B



ZUCKERBERG  
SAN FRANCISCO GENERAL  
Hospital and Trauma Center

## + Critical to Safety-Net Hospitals

The 340B prescription drug program is a vital lifeline for safety-net providers, supporting critical health services in our communities. The program is narrowly tailored to reach only hospitals that provide a high level of services to low-income individuals or that serve isolated rural communities. Savings from the 340B program help hospitals meet the healthcare needs of underserved patients across the country.

**Congress should preserve and protect the 340B program as an essential part of the safety-net that does not rely on taxpayer dollars.**

## + 340B Impact in Our Community

Our 340B savings enable us to provide critical services to our community. Without 340B, these services are at risk:



Discharge Pharmacy that is essential to reducing hospital readmission rates



Free medications to un-insured



Dedicated pharmacy staff that assist patients who need help paying for expensive medications



Specialized support for persons with HIV and hepatitis C

## + 340B by the Numbers

\$154.5 M

Uncompensated care provided last year.

\$1.6 M

Medications provided last year to patients who could not otherwise afford to pay.

\$10 M

Approximate annual 340B drug cost savings.

- \$0.5 M

Decrease in hospital revenue from Medicare B change.

\$40.7 M

Charity Care

- \$7.4 M

Increase in drug costs from State budget proposal.