

PALOMAR HEALTH

DISTRICT BACKGROUND

Palomar Health Care District provides hospital-based health services within an 843-square mile area in northern San Diego County.

Approximately three-fourths of Palomar territory is unincorporated; however, a southwestern portion of the District includes the Cities of Poway and Escondido and covers portions of the Cities of San Diego, San Marcos, and Vista.

Palomar-Pomerado Health was formed in 1948 as the Northern San Diego County Hospital District. The District has variously operated as the *Palomar-Pomerado Hospital District*; *Palomar Health System*; *Palomar-Pomerado Health*, and in 2012, as *Palomar Health*.

The District transitioned from a Hospital District to a Health Care District in 1994, when Health and Safety Codes were amended to change *Local Hospital District Law* (Health and Safety Code § 32000 et seq.) to *Local Health Care District Law*.

The District has 3 acute care facilities: the Palomar Medical Center in the City of Escondido, Palomar Health Downtown Campus, in downtown Escondido and the Pomerado Hospital in the City of Poway. Palomar also owns and operates, two skilled nursing facilities; Palomar Continuing Care Center in Escondido, and Villa Pomerado in Poway. In 2004, Palomar-Pomerado Health voters approved a \$496 million bond measure to fund construction of a new hospital.

The District is governed by an elected seven-member board of directors.

LAFCO approved a sphere of influence for Palomar-Pomerado Health in 1986 that is coterminous with the district boundary. The Palomar Health last sphere was affirmed in 2015.

DISTRICT CHARACTERISTICS

Principal Act:	Health and Safety § 32121(1) et seq.
Service:	Healthcare
Population:	503,064 (2012 SANDAG)
District Area:	843.9 square miles
Sphere of Influence:	Coterminous with District
Sphere Adopted:	June 2, 1986
Sphere Affirmed:	May 4, 2015
Revenue Source:	Property tax
Governance:	Elected 7-member Board of Directors
Board Meeting:	2nd Monday: 6:30 p.m. Graybill Auditorium Palomar Medical Center 555 E Valley Parkway Escondido, CA 92025
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