



# LOUISIANA HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION

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### STATEMENT FROM LOUISIANA HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION REGARDING GOV. JINDAL'S PROPOSED BUDGET January 24, 2014

#### Statement from LHA President & CEO Paul Salles

Gov. Jindal's Administration today presented the Executive Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget.

The LHA is very disappointed in Gov. Jindal's Executive Budget, which includes some proposed changes that will cause additional reductions to hospital funding. Over the past six years, cuts to the base hospital program have totaled over \$260 million on an annual basis.

We strongly urge our lawmakers to reject these reductions and protect patients and access to vital healthcare.

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#### About the Louisiana Hospital Association

Established in 1926, the Louisiana Hospital Association is a non-profit organization representing hospitals and healthcare provider groups across the state. The mission of the LHA is to support its members through advocacy, education and services. For more information, visit the LHA website at [www.lhaonline.org](http://www.lhaonline.org), or follow us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/LAHospitals](https://www.facebook.com/LAHospitals) or Twitter @LAHospitals.

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