

WHAT ARE HEALTH CENTERS?

Health centers are consumer-driven and patient-centered organizations that serve as a comprehensive and cost effective primary health care option for America's most underserved communities. Health centers serve everyone regardless of ability to pay or insurance status. They increase access to health care and provide integrated care services based on the unique needs of the communities they serve. Health centers deliver value to and have a significant impact on America's healthcare system. They:

- serve as the health care home for more than **25 million patients** in nearly **10,000 communities** across the country;
- reduce health care costs and produce savings – on average, health centers save **24% per Medicaid patient** when compared to other providers;
- integrate critical medical and social services such as oral health, mental health, substance abuse, case management, and translation, under one roof;
- employ nearly **190,000 people** and **generate over \$45 billion in total economic activity** in some of the nation's most distressed communities;
- serve on the front lines of public health crises such as the **Zika virus** and the **opioid epidemic**; and
- provide care to nearly **1.2 million homeless patients** and more than **300,000 veterans**.

HEALTH CENTERS IN AZ, 2015

Health Centers in AZ

Number of Grantee Organizations	21
Number of Delivery Sites	149
Percent of Grantees with Patient Centered Medical Home Recognition	67%

AZ Health Center Patients

Total Patients	500,940
Percent Growth in Number of Patients Since 2010	30%
Percent of Patients Served by Rural Organizations	69%
Number of Migrant/Seasonal Farmworker Patients	9,547
Number of Homeless Patients	21,202
Number of Veterans Served	8,349

AZ Health Center Staff Provide a Comprehensive Range of Services

Staff Type	FTEs
Physicians	258.9
NPs/PAs/CNMs	214.7
Nurses	257.2
Dentists	73.8
Dental Hygienists	26.2
Behavioral Health Specialists	179.7
Pharmacy	166.4
Enabling Services	412.9
Vision	0.2
Other Staff	2,861.9
Total Staff	4,451.8

	Health Center Percentage	AZ Percentage	US Percentage
% at or below 100% poverty	75%	17%	14%
% at or below 200% poverty	94%	38%	32%
% Uninsured	17%	13%	9%
% Medicaid	47%	25%	20%
% Medicare	11%	14%	14%
% Racial/Ethnic Minority	65%	44%	39%

Selected Primary Diagnosis Type	Patient Visits
Chronic Conditions	467,264
Behavioral Health	250,459
Preventive Services	457,168