

What are Health Centers?

Community, Migrant, Homeless, Public Housing, and other Health Center Program grantees are **non-profit, community-directed providers** that remove common barriers to care by serving communities who otherwise confront financial, geographic, language, cultural and other barriers. Known as health centers, they:

- are **located in high-need areas** identified as having elevated poverty, higher than average infant mortality, and where few physicians practice;
- are **open to all residents**, regardless of insurance status or ability to pay;
- **tailor services** to fit the special needs and priorities of their communities, and provide services in a linguistically and culturally appropriate manner;
- provide **comprehensive primary and other health care services**, including services that help their patients access care, such as transportation, translation, and case management;
- **provide high quality care**, reducing health disparities and improving patient outcomes;¹ and
- are **cost effective**, reducing costly emergency, hospital, and specialty care, and **saving the health care system \$24 billion a year nationally.**²

Illinois Federally-Supported Health Centers, 2014

Number of Grantee Organizations	43
Percent with Electronic Health Record System Installed ³	91%
Percent with Patient Centered Medical Home Recognition ³	73%
Number of Delivery Sites	436
Total Patients	1,191,269
Percent Growth in Number of Patients since 2010	9%
Percent of Patients Served by Rural Organizations	49%
Number of Migrant/Seasonal Farmworker Patients	10,213
Number of Homeless Patients	46,275
Number of Veterans Served	11,854

Population Characteristics⁴

	<u>Health Center Population</u>	<u>State Population</u>	<u>US Population</u>
Percent at or Below 100% of Poverty	77%	14%	15%
Percent Under 200% of Poverty	97%	31%	34%
Percent Uninsured	23%	9%	10%
Percent Medicaid	58%	19%	19%
Percent Medicare	6%	14%	13%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	34%	17%	17%
Percent African American	32%	15%	13%
Percent Asian/Pacific Islander	2%	5%	6%
Percent American Indian/Alaska Native	0%	1%	1%
Percent White	41%	78%	77%

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Patient Visits and Patients by Selected Primary Diagnoses and Services⁵

	<u>Patient Visits</u>	<u>Patients</u>
<i>Medical Conditions</i>		
Hypertension	407,816	167,690
Diabetes mellitus	286,175	93,438
Heart Disease	65,652	27,057
Asthma	103,780	60,943
Depression and Other Mood Disorders	231,748	81,764
Anxiety and PTSD	126,598	52,123
Substance Abuse	112,950	N/A
Other Mental Disorders	131,905	N/A
<i>Preventive Services</i>		
Health Supervision Ages 0-11	342,707	209,295
Immunizations	423,670	N/A
Oral Dental Exams	174,340	139,996
Pap Test	108,786	103,227
Mammogram	13,022	12,051
Hepatitis B and C Test	63,301	48,198
HIV Test	106,099	92,584

Health Center Staff and Related Patient Visit⁶

	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Patient Visits</u>
Physicians	677.9	2,064,283
NPs/PAs/CNMs	413.6	1,098,603
Nurses	598.3	122,025
Dentists	101.9	286,241
Dental Hygienists	35.4	43,802
Mental Health Specialists	216.5	268,960
Pharmacy	50.2	N/A
Total Enabling Services	884.5	249,890
Vision	9.3	12,357
Other Staff	4,262.3	32,521
Total Staff	7,250.0	4,178,682

Percent of Health Centers with Staff to Provide Select Services Onsite⁷

<i>Clinical Services</i>	
General Primary Medical Care	100%
Preventive Dental Care	77%
Mental Health and/or Substance Abuse Treatment Counseling	86%
Vision	21%
Pharmacy	21%
<i>Enabling Services</i>	
Case Management	81%
Eligibility Assistance	84%
Health Education	67%
Interpretation/Translation Services	33%
Transportation	30%
Outreach	72%

Health Center Costs of Care⁸

Average Cost per Patient

Medical Costs per Medical Patient	\$462
Dental Costs per Dental Patient	\$306
Total Cost per Total Patient	\$621

Average Cost per Patient Visit

Medical Cost per Medical Patient Visit	\$158
Dental Costs per Dental Patient Visit	\$147
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Costs per Mental Health and Substance Abuse Health Patient Visit	\$116

Note: Data reflected in this fact sheet may underreport the true volume of care delivered by health centers. In this document, unless otherwise noted, the term "health centers" refers to organizations that receive grants under the Health Center Program as authorized under section 330 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended. This fact sheet does not include data for those health centers that do not receive Health Center Program grants. This includes those entities known as Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) "Look-Alikes." In 2014 there were 81 FQHC Look-Alikes across the United States.

For sources and endnotes visit http://www.nachc.com/client//StateFS_Sources.pdf. For more information, email research@nachc.com or visit www.iphca.org.