

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

Kentucky Federally-Supported Health Centers, 2014

Number of Grantee Organizations	22
Percent with Electronic Health Record System Installed ³	91%
Percent with Patient Centered Medical Home Recognition ³	65%
Number of Delivery Sites	147
Total Patients	340,614
Percent Growth in Number of Patients since 2010	24%
Percent of Patients Served by Rural Organizations	73%
Number of Migrant/Seasonal Farmworker Patients	1,520
Number of Homeless Patients	11,506
Number of Veterans Served	7,501

Population Characteristics⁴

	<u>Health Center Population</u>	<u>State Population</u>	<u>US Population</u>
Percent at or Below 100% of Poverty	61%	20%	15%
Percent Under 200% of Poverty	85%	39%	34%
Percent Uninsured	18%	7%	10%
Percent Medicaid	48%	23%	19%
Percent Medicare	11%	17%	13%
Percent Hispanic/Latino	7%	3%	17%
Percent African American	12%	8%	13%
Percent Asian/Pacific Islander	1%	1%	6%
Percent American Indian/Alaska Native	0%	0%	1%
Percent White	81%	88%	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	191,885	71,864
Diabetes mellitus	106,150	30,886
Heart Disease	42,613	13,955
Asthma	25,155	13,288
Depression and Other Mood Disorders	68,110	30,376
Anxiety and PTSD	61,733	25,782
Substance Abuse	54,059	N/A
Other Mental Disorders	51,261	N/A
<i>Preventive Services</i>		
Health Supervision Ages 0-11	55,970	34,089
Immunizations	85,850	N/A
Oral Dental Exams	55,161	47,261
Pap Test	34,964	34,057
Mammogram	5,684	5,366
Hepatitis B and C Test	8,823	8,682
HIV Test	9,066	8,792

Health Center Staff and Related Patient Visit⁶

	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Patient Visits</u>
Physicians	146.5	553,326
NPs/PAs/CNMs	167.4	497,879
Nurses	255.6	60,608
Dentists	35.7	95,318
Dental Hygienists	22.9	23,829
Mental Health Specialists	33.5	31,697
Pharmacy	87.7	N/A
Total Enabling Services	149.7	39,660
Vision	0.0	78
Other Staff	1,178.7	3,291
Total Staff	2,077.7	1,305,686

Percent of Health Centers with Staff to Provide Select Services Onsite⁷

<i>Clinical Services</i>	
General Primary Medical Care	100%
Preventive Dental Care	55%
Mental Health and/or Substance Abuse Treatment Counseling	82%
Vision	0%
Pharmacy	32%
<i>Enabling Services</i>	
Case Management	59%
Eligibility Assistance	77%
Health Education	27%
Interpretation/Translation Services	14%
Transportation	14%
Outreach	50%

Health Center Costs of Care⁸

Average Cost per Patient

Medical Costs per Medical Patient	\$441
Dental Costs per Dental Patient	\$287
Total Cost per Total Patient	\$614

Average Cost per Patient Visit

Medical Cost per Medical Patient Visit	\$128
Dental Costs per Dental Patient Visit	\$137
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Costs per Mental Health and Substance Abuse Health Patient Visit	\$135

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.kypca.net.