

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 LA, 2015

Health Centers in LA

Number of Grantee Organizations	34
Number of Delivery Sites	197
Percent of Grantees with Patient Centered Medical Home Recognition	59%

LA Health Center Patients

Total Patients	344,364
Percent Growth in Number of Patients Since 2010	66%
Percent of Patients Served by Rural Organizations	66%
Number of Migrant/Seasonal Farmworker Patients	2,188
Number of Homeless Patients	17,529
Number of Veterans Served	2,503

LA Health Center Staff Provide a Comprehensive Range of Services

Staff Type	FTEs
Physicians	123.7
NPs/PAs/CNMs	159.4
Nurses	222.7
Dentists	59.0
Dental Hygienists	17.7
Behavioral Health Specialists	155.2
Pharmacy	42.1
Enabling Services	239.6
Vision	2.0
Other Staff	1,278.2
Total Staff	2,299.5

	Health Center Percentage	LA Percentage	US Percentage	Selected Primary Diagnosis Type	Patient Visits
% at or below 100% poverty	78%	19%	14%	Chronic Conditions	317,579
% at or below 200% poverty	94%	38%	32%	Behavioral Health	281,981
% Uninsured	33%	11%	9%	Preventive Services	233,322
% Medicaid	42%	20%	20%		
% Medicare	8%	13%	14%		
% Racial/Ethnic Minority	68%	41%	39%		