

What are Community 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 also:

- Serve as the health care home for more than **28 million patients** in over **11,000 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 **over 220,000 people** and **generate at least \$54.6 billion in total economic activity** in some of the nation's most distressed communities;
- Provide care to **1.4 million homeless patients** and more than **350,000 veterans**.

Health Centers in California, 2017

Health Centers in CA

# of Grantee Organizations	177
# of Delivery Sites	1,639
% Grantees with PCMH Recognition	66%
% Grantees w/ Staff Authorized to Prescribe Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for Opioid Use Disorder	48%
% of Grantees Utilizing Telehealth	49%

CA Health Center Patients

Children Served	1,525,795
Homeless Patients Served	323,736
Veterans Served	33,522
Growth in Patients since 2010	59%
Total Patients	4,683,757

	<u>CA Health Center Patients</u>	<u>CA Residents</u>	<u>US Residents</u>
% at or Below 100% Poverty	73%	13%	13%
% at or Below 200% Poverty	95%	31%	31%
% Racial/Ethnic Minority	79%	63%	39%
% Uninsured	20%	8%	9%
% Medicare	6%	15%	17%
% Medicaid	66%	23%	17%

CA Health Center Staff Provide a Comprehensive Range of Services

	<u>FTEs</u>
Physicians	2,439
NPs/PAs/CNMs	1,897
Nurses	1,636
Dentists	911
Dental Hygienists	140
Behavioral Health Specialists	1,698
Pharmacy	502
Enabling Services	4,402
Vision	209
Other Staff	14,758
Total Staff	41,149

	<u>Patient Visits</u>
Chronic Conditions	4,108,745
Behavioral Health	3,340,231
Preventive Services	5,235,857
Dental Services	3,303,631
Total Visits	21,765,230

*Did you know that health centers in California are economic drivers? **Every \$1 in federal investments generates \$8.72 in economic activity** across California. In total, health centers in California **deliver \$12.14 billion in economic activity**.*

* Notes: Dual eligible beneficiaries enrolled in both Medicare and Medicaid are only included in Medicare estimates. "Federal investments" refer solely to Health Center Program Section 330 grants. Sources: 2017 Uniform Data System, BPHC, HRSA, DHHS. US Census Bureau. Leavitt Partners in collaboration with NACHC. Detailed sources are available at <http://www.nachc.org/research-and-data/state-level-data-maps/>.