



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 Illinois, 2017

Health Centers in IL

# of Grantee Organizations	45
# of Delivery Sites	413
% Grantees with PCMH Recognition	76%
% Grantees w/ Staff Authorized to Prescribe Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for Opioid Use Disorder	64%
% of Grantees Utilizing Telehealth	40%

IL Health Center Patients

Children Served	482,029
Homeless Patients Served	40,460
Veterans Served	12,831
Growth in Patients since 2010	21%
Total Patients	1,323,604

	<u>IL Health Center Patients</u>	<u>IL Residents</u>	<u>US Residents</u>
% at or Below 100% Poverty	74%	13%	13%
% at or Below 200% Poverty	95%	29%	31%
% Racial/Ethnic Minority	74%	39%	39%
% Uninsured	20%	7%	9%
% Medicare	7%	16%	17%
% Medicaid	59%	15%	17%

IL Health Center Staff Provide a Comprehensive Range of Services

	<u>FTEs</u>
Physicians	684
NPs/PAs/CNMs	600
Nurses	651
Dentists	125
Dental Hygienists	46
Behavioral Health Specialists	399
Pharmacy	39
Enabling Services	946
Vision	10
Other Staff	2,787
Total Staff	8,355

	<u>Patient Visits</u>
Chronic Conditions	967,211
Behavioral Health	944,850
Preventive Services	1,433,616
Dental Services	390,640
Total Visits	4,919,816

*Did you know that health centers in Illinois are economic drivers? **Every \$1 in federal investments generates \$5.21 in economic activity** across Illinois. In total, health centers in Illinois **deliver \$2.41 billion in economic activity**.*

* Notes: Dual eligible beneficiaries enrolled in both Medicare and Medicaid are only included in US 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/>.