

## 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 Tennessee, 2017

### Health Centers in TN

# of Grantee Organizations	29
# of Delivery Sites	192
% Grantees with PCMH Recognition	62%
% Grantees w/ Staff Authorized to Prescribe Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for Opioid Use Disorder	24%
% of Grantees Utilizing Telehealth	62%

### TN Health Center Patients

Children Served	103,096
Homeless Patients Served	22,240
Veterans Served	6,635
Growth in Patients since 2010	12%
<b>Total Patients</b>	<b>422,316</b>

	<u>TN Health Center Patients</u>	<u>TN Residents</u>	<u>US Residents</u>
% at or Below 100% Poverty	77%	15%	13%
% at or Below 200% Poverty	95%	35%	31%
% Racial/Ethnic Minority	42%	26%	39%
% Uninsured	33%	10%	9%
% Medicare	12%	19%	17%
% Medicaid	33%	17%	17%

### TN Health Center Staff Provide a Comprehensive Range of Services

	<u>FTEs</u>
Physicians	151
NPs/PAs/CNMs	258
Nurses	397
Dentists	37
Dental Hygienists	19
Behavioral Health Specialists	187
Pharmacy	71
Enabling Services	237
Vision	0
Other Staff	990
<b>Total Staff</b>	<b>2,774</b>

	<u>Patient Visits</u>
Chronic Conditions	441,464
Behavioral Health	544,494
Preventive Services	296,382
Dental Services	82,598
<b>Total Visits</b>	<b>1,498,198</b>

*Did you know that health centers in Tennessee are economic drivers? **Every \$1 in federal investments generates \$3.31 in economic activity** across Tennessee. In total, health centers in Tennessee **deliver \$613.3 million 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/>.