

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 **29 million patients** in over **12,000 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 235,000 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 **385,000 veterans**.

Health Centers in Illinois, 2018

Health Centers in IL

# of Grantee Organizations	44
# of Delivery Sites	402
% Rural Grantees	27%
% Grantees w/ Staff Authorized to Prescribe Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for Opioid Use Disorder	80%
% of Grantees Utilizing Telehealth	48%

IL Health Center Patients

Children Served	486,394
Homeless Patients Served	41,401
Veterans Served	13,422
Growth in Patients since 2010	24%
Total Patients	1,358,862

	<u>IL</u> <u>Health Center</u> <u>Patients</u>	<u>IL</u> <u>Residents</u>	<u>U.S.</u> <u>Residents</u>
% at or Below 100% Poverty	74%	12%	13%
% at or Below 200% Poverty	95%	28%	30%
% Racial/Ethnic Minority	73%	39%	40%
% Uninsured	21%	7%	9%
% Medicaid	57%	15%	15%
% Medicare	7%	17%	18%
% Private	15%	70%	68%

IL Health Center Staff Provide a Comprehensive Range of Services

	<u>FTEs</u>
Physicians	682
NPs/PAs/CNMs	650
Nurses	643
Dentists	130
Dental Hygienists	51
Behavioral Health Specialists	439
Pharmacy	42
Enabling Services	963
Vision	9
Other Staff	3,016
Total Staff	8,655

	<u>Patient Visits</u>
Chronic Conditions	1,740,949
Behavioral Health	1,036,321
Preventive Services	1,574,304
Dental Services	394,845
Total Visits	4,988,437

*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 Medicare estimates. "Federal investments" refer solely to Health Center Program Section 330 grants. **Sources:** 2018 Uniform Data System, BPHC, HRSA, DHHS. 2018 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau. Leavitt Partners in collaboration with NACHC. Detailed sources are available at <http://www.nachc.org/research-and-data/state-level-data-maps/>.