Health Centers on the Frontlines of COVID-19: The First 6 Months

As of October 9, 2020

4.5 Million patients have been tested for COVID-19

520,000 patients have tested positive or 12%

60% of patients tested positive are racial and or ethnic minorities

Testing Capabilities Have Increased

96% of health centers are now using telehealth

Number of Staff Testing Positive Each Month

16,000 total staff have tested positive

April 3

54%

Health Center visit rate compared to normal

1,643 Number of sites temporarily closed due to COVID-19

October 9

84%

4% of all US COVID-19 tests but their patients account for 6% of all positive tests

4.5 Million of patients tested positive or 12% are racial and or ethnic minorities

Data from Centers for Disease Control Data Tracker on October 22, 2020.


Represents a weekly average of proportions during survey period.

Source and notes: Data presented in this fact sheet come from the Bureau of Primary Health Care, Health Resources and Services Administration, Health Center COVID-19 Survey collected from April 3 to October 9, 2020. Survey data are preliminary and do not reflect all health centers. Some duplication of patients and staff tested from week to week may occur. For more information, please visit https://bphc.hrsa.gov or contact research@nachc.org.


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