

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 nearly **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 **253,000 people** and **generate more than \$63.4 billion in total economic activity** in some of the nation's most distressed communities;
- Provide care to **1.3 million homeless patients** and **375,000 veterans**.

Health Centers in Mississippi, 2020

Health Centers in MS

# of Grantee Organizations	20
# of Delivery Sites	245
% Rural Grantees	70%
% Grantees w/ Staff Authorized to Prescribe Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for Opioid Use Disorder	20%
% of Grantees Utilizing Telehealth	95%

MS Health Center Patients

Children Served	66,358
Homeless Patients Served	11,951
Veterans Served	3,110
Growth in Patients since 2010	-4%
Total Patients	303,389

	<u>MS</u> <u>Health Center</u> <u>Patients</u>	<u>MS</u> <u>Residents</u>	<u>U.S.</u> <u>Residents</u>
% at or Below 100% Poverty	70%	20%	12%
% at or Below 200% Poverty	92%	41%	29%
% Racial/Ethnic Minority	69%	44%	40%
% Uninsured	35%	13%	9%
% Medicaid	28%	17%	15%
% Medicare	13%	20%	18%
% Private	24%	59%	67%

MS Health Center Staff Provide a Comprehensive Range of Services

	<u>FTEs</u>
Physicians	86
NPs/PAs/CNMs	205
Nurses	308
Dental Staff	103
Pharmacy	42
Behavioral Health Specialists	61
Enabling Services	166
Vision Services Staff	9
Other Staff	1,078
Total Staff	2,057

	<u>Patient Visits</u>
Coronavirus	7,321
Chronic Conditions	665,271
Behavioral Health	157,649
Preventive Services	320,709
Dental Services	61,244

*Did you know that health centers in Mississippi are economic drivers? **Every \$1 in federal investments generates \$2.93 in economic activity** across Mississippi. In total, health centers in Mississippi **deliver \$405,821,024 in economic activity**.*