

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 Texas, 2020

Health Centers in TX

# of Grantee Organizations	72
# of Delivery Sites	605
% Rural Grantees	43%
% Grantees w/ Staff Authorized to Prescribe Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for Opioid Use Disorder	42%
% of Grantees Utilizing Telehealth	100%

TX Health Center Patients

Children Served	551,602
Homeless Patients Served	75,055
Veterans Served	13,979
Growth in Patients since 2010	70%
Total Patients	1,612,141

	<u>TX</u> <u>Health Center</u> <u>Patients</u>	<u>TX</u> <u>Residents</u>	<u>U.S.</u> <u>Residents</u>
% at or Below 100% Poverty	66%	14%	12%
% at or Below 200% Poverty	92%	33%	29%
% Racial/Ethnic Minority	76%	59%	40%
% Uninsured	41%	18%	9%
% Medicaid	29%	12%	15%
% Medicare	7%	14%	18%
% Private	19%	62%	67%

TX Health Center Staff Provide a Comprehensive Range of Services

	<u>FTEs</u>
Physicians	753
NPs/PAs/CNMs	777
Nurses	889
Dental Staff	704
Pharmacy	378
Behavioral Health Specialists	603
Enabling Services	1,233
Vision Services Staff	40
Other Staff	7,816
Total Staff	13,193

	<u>Patient Visits</u>
Coronavirus	59,081
Chronic Conditions	2,145,886
Behavioral Health	1,314,157
Preventive Services	1,880,060
Dental Services	422,906

*Did you know that health centers in Texas are economic drivers? **Every \$1 in federal investments generates \$5.44 in economic activity** across Texas. In total, health centers in Texas **deliver \$3,507,506,432 in economic activity**.*