

from PHE Medicaid Flexibilities

Community Health Centers' Medicaid and CHIP patient population **increased significantly during the COVID-19 pandemic** due to new federal and state policy flexibilities. To better understand the benefits health center patients experienced, and possible consequences of these flexibilities' termination, NACHC surveyed health centers around the country and below are the findings.

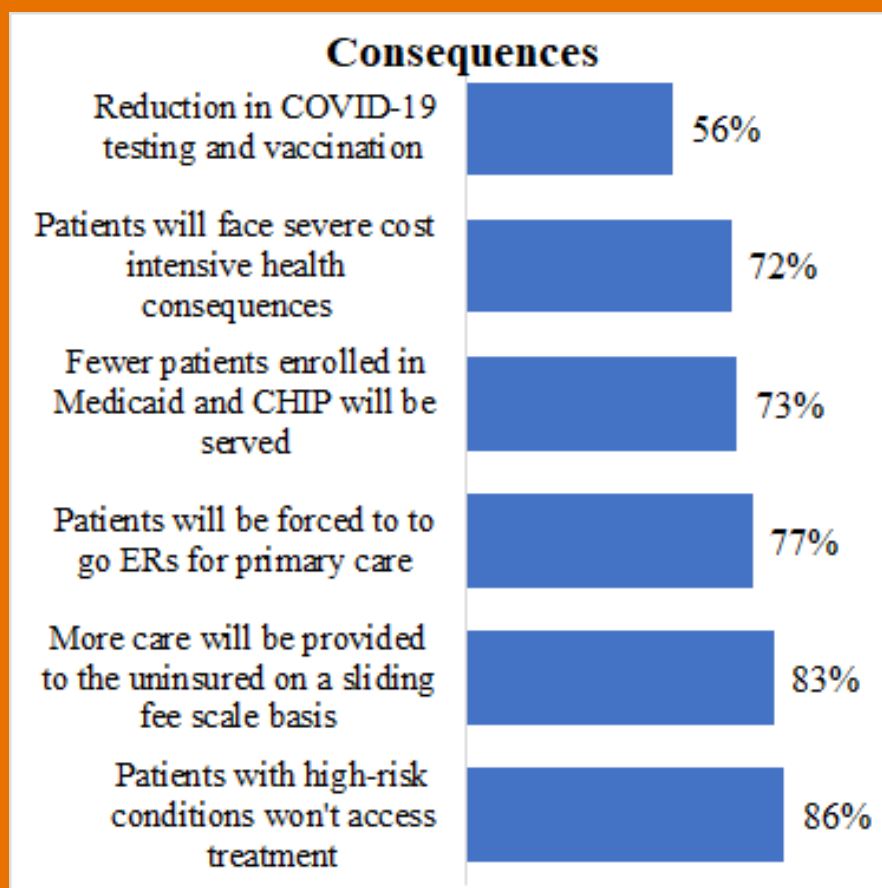
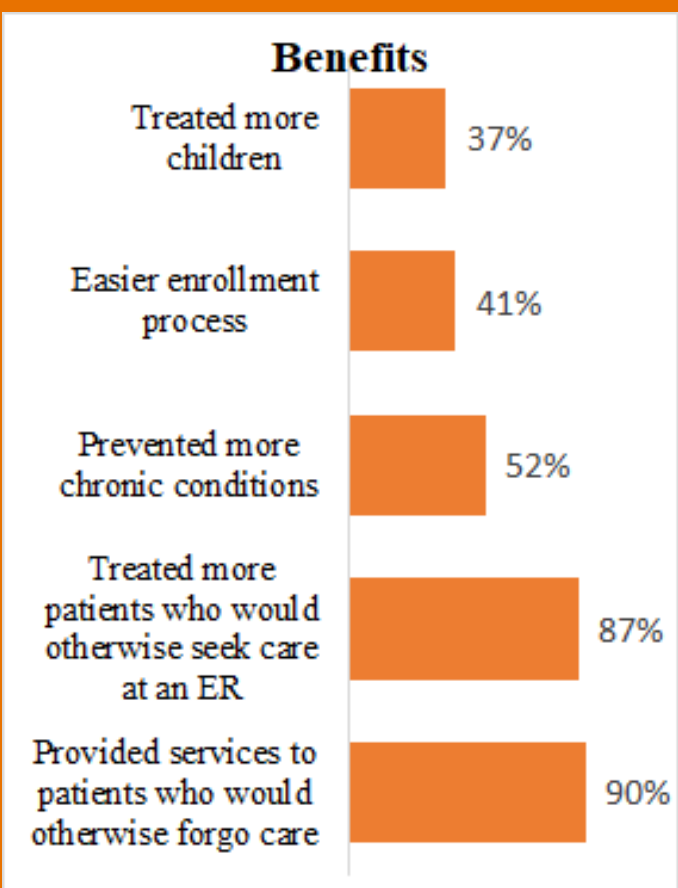
Through the flexibilities during the COVID-19 Pandemic:

90% of health centers provided more services to patients who would otherwise go without care



87% of health centers treated more patients who would **otherwise seek care in an emergency department**

Flexibilities' Benefits and Consequences of Termination



Data from this infographic come from a survey of Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) by NACHC's research department September 2021 (N=211). Respondent pool accurately represents location and characteristics of larger FQHC population. For more information, please view the accompanying report or email Sarah Baizer at sbaizer@nachc.org.