What are Community Health Centers?

Community Health Centers deliver high-quality, affordable care to patients and reduce costs for America’s healthcare system. Health centers are consumer-governed and patient-centered health care organizations that provide cost-effective primary care in medically underserved communities. Health centers provide care to all patients regardless of income and insurance status by offering services on a sliding-fee scale. Health centers improve access to primary care and integrated specialty services such as preventive, behavioral, substance use treatment, oral, vision and pharmacy services. Additionally, health centers offer a host of ancillary services to support patients’ needs around food insecurity, housing, transportation, language access, and other social drivers of health. Health centers...

- Serve as the health care home for over 30 million patients in over 14,000 communities across the country
- Reduce health care costs, saving an average of 24% per Medicaid patient compared to other providers
- Integrate medical, specialty and social services such as mental health, substance use treatment, oral health, case management, translation services, transportation, and employment services
- Create 270,000 jobs and generate an estimated $84.8 billion in total economic activity in local communities
- Provide care to 389,000 veterans, 1.3 million patients experiencing homelessness, 3.3 million adults over age 65, and 1 in 8 children

Health Centers in Georgia

**GA Health Centers**

| Total Grantees | 35 |
| Service Delivery Sites | 342 |
| % Rural | 23% |
| % with MAT Services | 51% |
| % Utilizing Telehealth | 100% |

**GA Services and Staff**

- Physicians: 253
- NPs/PAs/CNM: 408
- Nurses: 324
- Behavioral Health Specialists: 149
- Pharmacy: 103
- Dental: 166
- Vision: 17
- Enabling Services: 311
- Other: 23
- Total FTEs*: 3,960

**GA Patients**

- Children: 160,267
- Older adults: 74,269
- Patients experiencing homelessness: 18,597
- Veterans: 7,496
- Agricultural workers: 16,890
- Racial/ethnic minority: 394,027
- Total patients: 662,164

**GA Health Center Economic Impact**

Health centers in GA created 9,414 jobs and generated $1,637,841,364 in total economic activity in 2021.