NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
Community Health Centers

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 **285,000 jobs** and generate an estimated **$85 billion in total economic activity** in local communities
- Provide care to **400,000 veterans**, **1.4 million** patients experiencing homelessness, **3.6 million** adults over age 65, and **8.8 million children**

Health Centers in Maine

ME Health Centers

Total Grantees	18
Service Delivery Sites	179
% Rural	94%
% with MAT Services	89%
% Utilizing Telehealth	100%

ME Staff

Physicians	82
NPs/PAs/CNMs	174
Nurses	70
Behavioral Health Specialists	134
Pharmacy	53
Dental	120
Vision	15
Enabling Services	139
Other	28
Total FTEs*	2,155

ME Patients

Children	40,311
Older adults	49,978
Patients experiencing homelessness	7,820
Veterans	11,142
Agricultural workers	1,971
Racial/ethnic minority	15,142
Total patients	201,295

	Health Center Population	State Population
Income < 100% FPL	23%	10%
Income < 200% FPL	22%	16%
Uninsured	10%	6%
Medicaid	29%	20%
Medicare	25%	19%
Dually Eligible	7%	
Private Insurance	37%	53%

ME Health Center Economic Impact

Health centers in ME created **3,592 jobs** and generated **$ 575,074,816 in total economic activity** in 2021.

Notes: State data include only health centers receiving Health Center Program Section 330 grants. *FTEs = Full-Time Equivalent. States with fewer than 1% dually-eligible patients may appear blank. **Sources:** 2022 Uniform Data System, BPHC, HRSA, DHHS. 2022 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau. Detailed sources are available at http://www.nachc.org/research-and-data/state-level-data-maps/.