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, patient-centered health care organizations that provide cost-effective primary care in medically underserved communities. Health centers ensure access to patients regardless of income and insurance status by offering services on a sliding-fee scale. Health centers improve access to primary care as well as 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 determinants of health. **Health centers…**

- Serve as the health care home for nearly **32.5 million patients** in over **16,000 communities** across the country
- **Integrate medical, specialty and social services** such as mental health, substance use treatment, oral health, case management, translation services, transportation, and employment services
- Reduce health care costs, **saving** an average of **24% per Medicaid patient** compared to other providers
- Create **340,000 jobs** and generate an estimated **$118.4 billion in total economic impact** in local communities
- Provide care to **419,000 veterans**, **1.4 million** patients experiencing homelessness, **3.8 million** adults over age 65, and **1 in 9 children.**

Health Centers in Florida

FL Health Centers

Total Health Centers	54
Service Delivery Sites	779
% Rural	15%
% with MOUD Services	52%
% Utilizing Telehealth	98%

FL Services and Staff

Physicians	682
NPs/PAs/CNMs	749
Nurses	855
Behavioral Health Specialists	862
Pharmacy	700
Dental	1,068
Vision	56
Enabling Services	1,367
Other	41
Total FTEs*	14,140

FL Patients

Children	630,665
Older adults	159,809
Patients experiencing homelessness	77,175
Veterans	18,186
Agricultural workers	42,626
Total patients	1,806,616

	Health Center Population	State Population
Below Poverty Level	50%	12%
Uninsured	26%	11%
Medicaid	42%	18%
Medicare	8%	23%
Dually Eligible	2%	
Private Insurance	24%	64%