The Value and Impact of the

Illinois Health Center Program

Fifty Illinois Health Center Program participants provide tremendous value and impact to the communities they serve through CARE FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS, SAVINGS TO THE SYSTEM, ECONOMIC STIMULUS, STATE-OF-THE-ART PRACTICES, and INTEGRATED CARE with a focus on MANAGING CHRONIC CONDITIONS, PREVENTATIVE CARE, and QUALITY HEALTH OUTCOMES.

This report highlights their 2023 savings and contributions.



ECONOMIC STIMULUS

11,056	9,308	20,364
HEALTH CENTER	OTHER	TOTAL
JOBS	JOBS	JOBS
\$1.8 B	\$1.7 B	\$3.5 B
DIRECT HEALTH CENTER	COMMUNITY	TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT
SPENDING	SPENDING	OF CURRENT OPERATIONS
\$87.7 M	\$341.1 M	\$428.8 M
STATE & LOCAL TAX	FEDERAL TAX	ANNUAL TAX
REVENUES	REVENUES	REVENUES



SAVINGS TO THE SYSTEM

24%	\$2.1 B	\$2.8 B
LOWER COSTS FOR HEALTH	SAVINGS TO	SAVINGS TO THE OVERALL
CENTER MEDICAID	MEDICAID	HEALTH SYSTEM
PATIENTS		



CARE FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

3.3%	4,572,795	892,940	5,465,735
4-YEAR	CLINIC	VIRTUAL	TOTAL
PATIENT GROWTH	VISITS	VISITS	VISITS

1,459,452				
PATIENTS SERVED				
33.5% 92.7% 73.9%				
CHILDREN & ADOLESCENTS	LOW INCOME	IDENTIFY AS AN ETHNIC OR RACIAL MINORITY		
9,111	9,337	44,688		
AGRICULTURAL WORKERS	VETERANS	HOMELESS		



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INTEGRATED CARE

1,329,026	161,707	6,266
PATIENTS RECEIVED MEDICAL CARE	PATIENTS RECEIVED PATIENTS RECEIVED DENTAL CARE VISION CARE	
134,069	13,044	150,013
PATIENTS RECEIVED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE	PATIENTS RECEIVED SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SERVICES	PATIENTS RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE ENABLING SERVICE TO OVERCOME BARRIERS TO CARE



MANAGING CHRONIC CONDITIONS

74,604	37,921	10,501
PATIENTS WITH	PATIENTS WITH	PATIENTS WITH
ASTHMA	HEART DISEASE	HIV

143,502	70.5%	238,185	65.3%
PATIENTS WITH	PATIENTS WITH	PATIENTS WITH	PATIENTS WITH
DIABETES	DIABETES	HYPERTENSION	HYPERTENSION
	CONTROLLED		CONTROLLED



PREVENTATIVE CARE

239,028	391,734
CHILDREN ATTENDED	PATIENTS RECEIVED IMMUNIZATIONS AND
WELL-CHILD VISITS	SEASONAL FLU VACCINES



STATE-OF-THE-ART PRACTICES

20.0%	98.0%	100%
HEALTH CENTERS	HEALTH CENTERS	HEALTH CENTERS HAVE
PROVIDING	PROVIDING TELEHEALTH	INSTALLED AND
PHARMACY SERVICES	CARE	CURRENTLY USE AN
		ELECTRONIC HEALTH
		RECORD (EHR)



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SUMMARY OF 2023 ECONOMIC IMPACT AND TAX REVENUE

		Employment (# of FTEs)	Economic Impact	State & Local Tax Revenues	Federal Tax Revenues
	Direct	11,056	\$1,753,763,146	\$30,005,379	\$191,226,706
Community	Indirect	4,125	\$741,926,248	\$20,111,138	\$66,435,584
Impact	Induced	5,183	\$1,014,241,215	\$37,569,760	\$83,402,904
	Total	20,364	\$3,509,930,609	\$87,686,276	\$341,065,195
			\$428,7	51,471	

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 System (data and software), 16905 Northcross Dr., Suite 120, Huntersville, NC 28078, www.IMPLAN.com. Learn
 more at www.caplink.org/how-economic-impact-is-measured.
- "Low Income" refers to those with earnings at or below 200% of federal poverty guidelines.
- Care for Vulnerable Populations: Bureau of Primary Health Care, HRSA, DHHS, 2023 Uniform Data System.
- Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) of 1.0 is equivalent to one full-time employee. In an organization that has a 40-hour work week, an employee who works 20 hours per week (i.e., 50 percent of full time) is reported as "0.5 FTE." FTE is also based on the number of months the employee works. An employee who works full time for four months out of the year would be reported as "0.33 FTE" (4 months/12 months).
- Integrated Care refers to comprehensive primary health care (e.g., primary medical, oral, mental, substance use disorder, vision, enabling services).
- The Health Center Program includes Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) receiving Section 330 funding and Look-Alikes.

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