The Value and Impact of the Pennsylvania Health Center Program

Fifty Pennsylvania 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		
8,193	9,214	17,407	
HEALTH CENTER JOBS	OTHER JOBS	TOTAL JOBS	
\$1.3 B	\$1.9 B	\$3.2 B	
DIRECT HEALTH CENTER SPENDING	COMMUNITY SPENDING	TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT OF CURRENT OPERATIONS	
\$77.6 M	\$308.6 M	\$386.2 M	
STATE & LOCAL TAX REVENUES	FEDERAL TAX REVENUES	ANNUAL TAX REVENUES	

SAVINGS TO THE SYSTEM			
24%	\$1.1 B	\$1.8 B	
LOWER COSTS FOR HEALTH CENTER MEDICAID PATIENTS	SAVINGS TO MEDICAID	SAVINGS TO THE OVERALL HEALTH SYSTEM	

CARE FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS			
 17.2%	3,205,199	487,107	3,692,306
4-YEAR	CLINIC	VIRTUAL	TOTAL
PATIENT GROWTH	VISITS	VISITS	VISITS

1,020,877				
PATIENTS SERVED				
28.4% 87.5% 57.4%				
CHILDREN & ADOLESCENTS	LOW INCOME	IDENTIFY AS AN ETHNIC OR RACIAL MINORITY		
14,802	14,870	27,359		
AGRICULTURAL WORKERS	VETERANS	HOMELESS		



INTEGRATED CARE				
828,557	233,218	18,070		
PATIENTS RECEIVED MEDICAL CARE	PATIENTS RECEIVED DENTAL CARE	PATIENTS RECEIVED VISION CARE		
87,486	6,918	78,595		
PATIENTS RECEIVED	PATIENTS RECEIVED	PATIENTS RECEIVED		
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE	SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER	AT LEAST ONE ENABLING		
	SERVICES	SERVICE TO OVERCOME		
		BARRIERS TO CARE		

MANAGING CHRONIC CONDITIONS				
57,678	41,	101	6,984	
PATIENTS WITH ASTHMA		PATIENTS WITH HEART DISEASE		
96,071	72.0%	190,500	65.9%	
PATIENTS WITH DIABETES	PATIENTS WITH DIABETES CONTROLLED	PATIENTS WITH HYPERTENSION	PATIENTS WITH HYPERTENSION CONTROLLED	

F	PREVENTA	PREVENTATIVE CARE		
	122,282	259,337		
	CHILDREN ATTENDED WELL-CHILD VISITS	PATIENTS RECEIVED IMMUNIZATIONS AND SEASONAL FLU VACCINES		

STATE-OF-THE-ART PRACTICES		
46.0%	100.0%	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

				\$386.2	236,309
	Total	17,407	\$3,197,639,364	\$77,609,479	\$308,626,830
Impact	Induced	5,784	\$1,241,445,863	\$40,007,785	\$97,937,786
Community	Indirect	3,430	\$664,678,867	\$15,862,360	\$57,900,114
	Direct	8,193	\$1,291,514,634	\$21,739,334	\$152,788,930
		Employment (# of FTEs)	Economic Impact	State & Local Tax Revenues	Federal Tax Revenues

REFERENCES AND DATA SOURCES

- Savings to the System: Nocon et al. Health Care Use and Spending for Medicaid Enrollees in Federally Qualified Health Centers Versus Other Primary Care Settings. American Journal of Public Health: November 2016, Vol. 106, No. 11, pp. 1981-1989.
- Economic Stimulus: Economic impact was measured using 2023 IMPLAN Online from IMPLAN Group LLC, IMPLAN 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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