



## 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 Michigan

### MI Health Centers

Total Health Centers	40
Service Delivery Sites	407
% Rural	35%
% with MOUD Services	85%
% Utilizing Telehealth	100%

### MI Patients

Children	175,123
Older adults	89,028
Patients experiencing homelessness	35,973
Veterans	12,886
Agricultural workers	11,903
Total patients	675,187

### MI Services and Staff

Physicians	267
NPs/PAs/CNMs	382
Nurses	353
Behavioral Health Specialists	504
Pharmacy	223
Dental	585
Vision	45
Enabling Services	512
Other	19
Total FTEs*	6,485

	Health Center Population	State Population
Below Poverty Level	38%	13%
Uninsured	10%	5%
Medicaid	51%	24%
Medicare	15%	21%
Dually Eligible	6%	
Private Insurance	24%	70%

\*FTEs = Full Time Equivalents **Notes:** Data includes health centers receiving Health Center Program Section 330 grants and Look-Alikes. **Sources:** 2023 Uniform Data System, BPHC, HRSA, DHHS. 2023 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau.