

## What are Community Health Centers?

Health centers are consumer-driven and patient-centered organizations that serve as a comprehensive and cost effective primary health care option for America's most underserved communities. Health centers serve everyone regardless of ability to pay or insurance status. They increase access to health care and provide integrated care services based on the unique needs of the communities they serve. Health centers deliver value to and have a significant impact on America's healthcare system. They also:

- Serve as the health care home for more than **28 million patients** in over **11,000 communities** across the country;
- Reduce health care costs and produce savings – on average, health centers save **24% per Medicaid patient** when compared to other providers;
- **Integrate critical medical and social services** such as oral health, mental health, substance abuse, case management, and translation under one roof;
- Employ **over 220,000 people** and **generate at least \$54.6 billion in total economic activity** in some of the nation's most distressed communities;
- Provide care to **1.4 million homeless patients** and more than **350,000 veterans**.

## Health Centers in Nebraska, 2017

### Health Centers in NE

# of Grantee Organizations	7
# of Delivery Sites	48
% Grantees with PCMH Recognition	86%
% Grantees w/ Staff Authorized to Prescribe Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for Opioid Use Disorder	29%
% of Grantees Utilizing Telehealth	57%

### NE Health Center Patients

Children Served	32,534
Homeless Patients Served	5,356
Veterans Served	617
Growth in Patients since 2010	49%
<b>Total Patients</b>	<b>94,142</b>

	<u>NE Health Center Patients</u>	<u>NE Residents</u>	<u>US Residents</u>
% at or Below 100% Poverty	63%	11%	13%
% at or Below 200% Poverty	91%	28%	31%
% Racial/Ethnic Minority	66%	21%	39%
% Uninsured	46%	11%	9%
% Medicare	4%	17%	17%
% Medicaid	31%	12%	17%

### NE Health Center Staff Provide a Comprehensive Range of Services

	<u>FTEs</u>
Physicians	36
NPs/PAs/CNMs	48
Nurses	64
Dentists	24
Dental Hygienists	14
Behavioral Health Specialists	34
Pharmacy	25
Enabling Services	128
Vision	0
Other Staff	260
<b>Total Staff</b>	<b>862</b>

	<u>Patient Visits</u>
Chronic Conditions	50,279
Behavioral Health	57,361
Preventive Services	107,526
Dental Services	60,515
<b>Total Visits</b>	<b>321,606</b>

*Did you know that health centers in Nebraska are economic drivers? **Every \$1 in federal investments generates \$3.94 in economic activity** across Nebraska. In total, health centers in Nebraska **deliver \$159.8 million in economic activity**.*

\* Notes: Dual eligible beneficiaries enrolled in both Medicare and Medicaid are only included in Medicare estimates. "Federal investments" refer solely to Health Center Program Section 330 grants. Sources: 2017 Uniform Data System, BPHC, HRSA, DHHS. US Census Bureau. Leavitt Partners in collaboration with NACHC. Detailed sources are available at <http://www.nachc.org/research-and-data/state-level-data-maps/>.