



Michigan's Community Health Centers

Working Together to Make a Difference

Community Health Centers provide quality, comprehensive, community-oriented primary health care for all members of the community, regardless of insurance status, ability to pay, race/ethnicity, or age.

Community Health Centers provide a health care home for hundreds of thousands of Michigan residents.

- Thirty-one Michigan Community Health Centers — including 28 Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), 2 FQHC 'Look-Alikes', and 1 that is both a FQHC and a FQHC 'Look-Alike' — provide quality, comprehensive, community-oriented primary health care for nearly 600,000 patients annually at 160 sites across the state.
- In 2008, 22 Community Health Centers operated dental sites throughout Michigan serving more than 123,000 patients.
- Community Health Centers are open to everyone in the community, including individuals who are low income, uninsured, underinsured, elderly, minority, migrant and seasonal farmworkers, homeless, and those living with HIV/AIDS.



***The Michigan Primary Care Association
is committed to supporting and strengthening
Michigan's Community Health Centers.***

Community Health Centers are a proven investment in the future health of Michigan residents.

- Community Health Center patients have lower hospital admission rates and shorter hospital stays, and make more appropriate use of emergency room services than non-Community Health Center patients. As a result, Community Health Centers save money for their communities.
- Communities served by Community Health Centers have infant mortality rates that are at least 10% lower than comparable communities not served by Community Health Centers.
- Community Health Centers play an important role in the economic well-being of a community and collectively in the state. The estimated overall economic impact of Community Health Centers on Michigan's economy is over \$323 million. In addition, Michigan Community Health Centers employ approximately 2,977 positions.
- Based on a recent Medicaid Fee for Service study, Community Health Centers save the State of Michigan \$44.87 per member per month in State Medicaid expenditures. That is a savings of \$538.44 per year for each Medicaid beneficiary. In 2008, Community Health Centers provided care to over 221,000 Medicaid beneficiaries.

Community Health Centers consistently provide quality primary care to their patients.

- 100% of Michigan Community Health Centers participate in innovative disease management programs.
- In aggregated data from patient satisfaction surveys conducted by the MidWest Clinicians' Network in 2009, 96.8% of patients surveyed described the treatment and advice they received from providers at Community Health Centers as good or excellent, and 96.9% reported that they would recommend their Health Center to friends and family.

Community Health Centers are proven and successful both nationally and in Michigan.

- Nationally, Community Health Centers have been rated among the most successful programs of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
- Community Health Centers have provided quality care to Michigan residents for over 40 years.

