

## WHAT ARE 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 **27 million patients** in over **10,000 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 200,000 people** and **generate over \$45 billion in total economic activity** in some of the nation's most distressed communities;
- Serve on the front lines of **public health crises and natural disasters**; and
- Provide care to **1.3 million homeless patients** and more than **330,000 veterans**.

## Health Centers in GA, 2016

### Health Centers in GA

Number of Grantee Organizations	35
Number of Delivery Sites	225

### GA Health Center Patients

Total Patients	457,644
Growth in Patients since 2010	47%
Migrant/Seasonal Agricultural Worker Patients Served	21,557
Homeless Patients Served	14,510
Veterans Served	4,749

	<u>GA Health Center Patients</u>	<u>GA Residents</u>	<u>US Residents</u>
% at or Below 100% Poverty	71%	16%	14%
% at or Below 200% Poverty	90%	35%	32%

% Uninsured	39%	12%	9%
% Medicaid	28%	17%	19%
% Medicare	11%	12%	14%
% Racial/Ethnic Minority	68%	47%	39%

### GA Health Center Quality & Accessibility

Percent of Grantees with Patient Centered Medical Home Recognition	51%
Percent of Grantees with a Physician Authorized to Prescribe FDA-Approved Medication for Opioid Use Disorder	14%
Percent of Grantees using Telehealth	49%

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

	<u>FTEs</u>
Physicians	191.3
NPs/PAs/CNMs	240.4
Nurses	262.7
Dentists	38.3
Dental Hygienists	24.4
Behavioral Health Specialists	63.6
Pharmacy	55.1
Enabling Services	259.7
Vision	8.9
Other Staff	939.0
Total Staff	2,649.6

	<u>Patient Visits</u>
Chronic Conditions	603,076
Behavioral Health	220,061
Preventive Services	317,711