

## 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 TN, 2016

### Health Centers in TN

Number of Grantee Organizations	29
Number of Delivery Sites	182

### TN Health Center Patients

Total Patients	396,877
Growth in Patients since 2010	6%
Migrant/Seasonal Agricultural Worker Patients Served	6,008
Homeless Patients Served	19,428
Veterans Served	6,737

	<u>TN Health Center Patients</u>	<u>TN Residents</u>	<u>US Residents</u>
% at or Below 100% Poverty	81%	16%	14%
% at or Below 200% Poverty	95%	36%	32%
% Uninsured	33%	11%	9%
% Medicaid	34%	20%	19%
% Medicare	12%	15%	14%
% Racial/Ethnic Minority	41%	26%	39%

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

	<u>FTEs</u>
Physicians	127.0
NPs/PAs/CNMs	247.0
Nurses	382.8
Dentists	32.9
Dental Hygienists	16.0
Behavioral Health Specialists	173.3
Pharmacy	65.8
Enabling Services	240.1
Vision	0.4
Other Staff	901.0
Total Staff	2,562.8

	<u>Patient Visits</u>
Chronic Conditions	425,341
Behavioral Health	502,222
Preventive Services	246,626

### TN Health Center Quality & Accessibility

Percent of Grantees with Patient Centered Medical Home Recognition	66%
Percent of Grantees with a Physician Authorized to Prescribe FDA-Approved Medication for Opioid Use Disorder	17%
Percent of Grantees using Telehealth	59%

**Sources:** 2016 Uniform Data System. Bureau of Primary Health Care. HRSA, DHHS, Kaiser Family Foundation. Health Insurance Coverage of the Total Population. 2016. US Census Bureau. 2016 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, Tables B17002 and B03002.