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MISSOURI PRIMARY CARE ASSOCIATION

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MISSOURI COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS (CHCS/FQHCs)

Community Health Centers are one of three entities deemed as “Core Safety Net Providers” by the Institute of Medicine’s study, “America’s Health Care Safety Net: Intact but Endangered”

Institute of Medicine report, *Unequal Treatment: Confronting Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Healthcare*, recognized the importance of CHCs in increasing access to care and in improving health outcomes for all patients, especially minorities.

Presidential Initiative under Presidents Bush and Obama

President Biden is a big supporter

- Led to the development of thousands of new sites and millions more patients between 2000-2016
- Strong Bipartisan support at the Federal and State Level
- Federally Qualified Health Centers

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS (CHCS/FQHCS)

- All CHCs are non-profit, with patient-controlled governance.
- Locally driven comprehensive primary care, chronic condition management and health prevention programs serving low income and medically under-served urban and rural communities
- CHCs tailor their services to fit the special needs and priorities of their communities. Therefore-each Health Center is unique.
- Must be located in or serve a MUA or MUP.
- Some CHCs are also CCBHOs
- Medical Home model
- 100% CHCs are NCQA Recognized for Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH)

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS (CHCS)

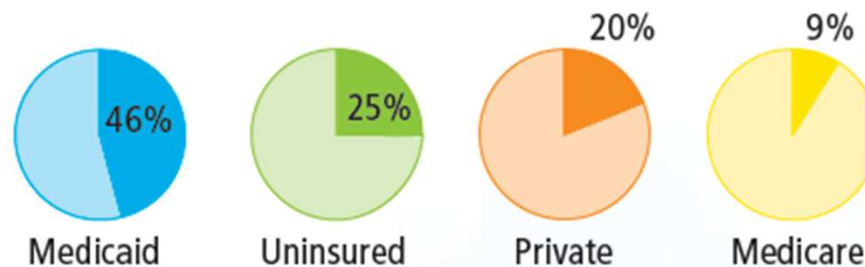
- In 2019, MO's CHCs served over 600,000 individuals with 2 million encounters, at over 105 clinic sites.
- Must provide medical, dental, BH, SUD, pharmacy services on-site or by referral, preventive services such as immunizations.
- Patients are urged to establish a relationship with a primary care provider and to pay what they can afford
 - *They are not free clinics*
 - *Most have same day access*

WHO ARE CHC PATIENTS?

**Serving Missouri's Most Vulnerable;
Regardless of Insurance and Income Status**



Over 70% of our patients are below poverty level



Our patients by insurance type

Note: Federal Poverty Level (FPL) for a family of three in 2018 was \$20,780.
(See <https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines>)

Source: Bureau of Primary Health Care, 2018 Uniform Data System

CHC/FQHC PROVIDERS AND STAFF

- Physician services • Services and supplies “incident to” physician services • Nurse practitioner (NP), physician assistant (PA), certified nurse-midwife (CNM), clinical psychologist (CP), and clinical social worker (CSW) services, RNs, LPNs, MAs
- Also employ Psychiatrists, Licensed Professional Counselors, Peer Support Specialists etc.
- Community Health Workers
- Pharmacists
- Executive staff
- Quality improvement

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS

- Receive Federal, State, Local and foundation Grants-20 percent federal funding
- Cost-based reimbursement medicaid/care, similar to CAHs and RHCs.
- Provide Malpractice coverage through FTCA – Federal Tort Claims Act
- Access to 340B Prescription Drug Program
- Access to Loan Repayment for Providers

LOCATIONS

Missouri's Community Health Centers **Your Health Care Home**

REGION 1 ■

- **Northwest Health Services**
www.nwhealth-services.org
(816) 271-8261

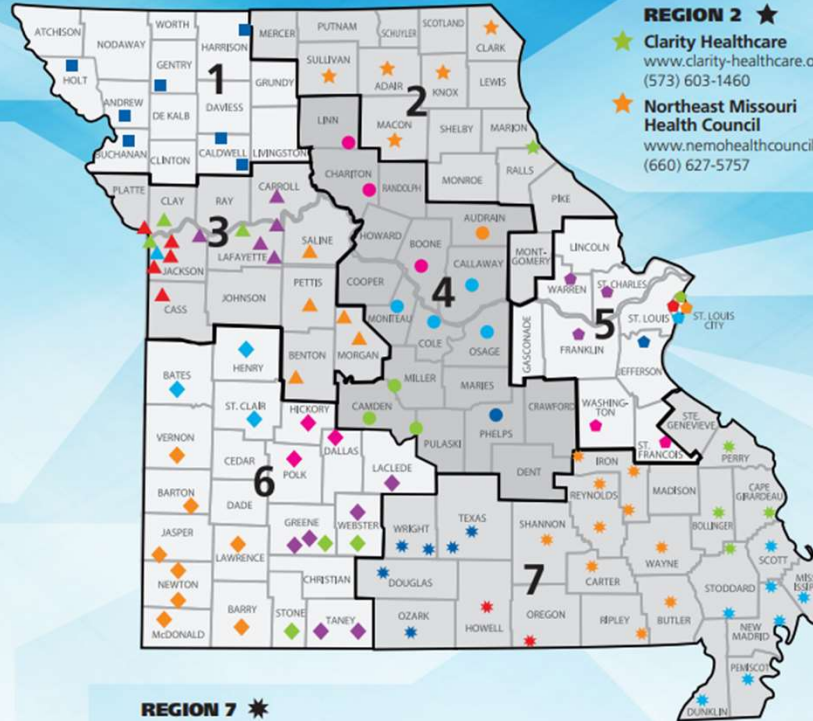
REGION 3 ▲

- ▲ **Health Care Collaborative (HCC) of Rural Missouri**
www.hccnetwork.org
(660) 259-2440
- ▲ **KC CARE Clinic**
www.kccareclinic.org
(816) 753-5144
- ▲ **Katy Trail Community Health**
www.katytrailcommunityhealth.org
(877) 733-5824
- ▲ **Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center**
www.rodgershealth.org
(816) 474-4920
- ▲ **Swope Health Services**
www.swopehealth.org
(816) 923-5800

REGION 6 ◆

- ◆ **Access Family Care**
www.accessfamilycare.org
(417) 451-9450
- ◆ **Compass Health**
www.compasshealthnetwork.org
(888) 403-1071
- ◆ **Fordland Clinic**
www.fordlandclinic.org
(417) 767-2273
- ◆ **Jordan Valley Community Health Center**
www.jordanvalley.org
(417) 831-0150
- ◆ **Ozarks Community Health Center**
www.ozarkschc.com
(417) 745-2121

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REGION 2 ★

- ★ **Clarity Healthcare**
www.clarity-healthcare.org
(573) 603-1460
- ★ **Northeast Missouri Health Council**
www.nemohealthcouncil.com
(660) 627-5757

REGION 4 ●

- **Arthur Center Community Health**
www.arthurcenter.com
(573) 582-1234
- **Central Ozarks Medical Center**
www.centralozarks.org
(573) 765-5141
- **Community Health Center of Central Missouri**
www.chccmo.org
(573) 632-2777
- **Family Health Center**
www.fhcmo.org
(877) 677-4342
- **Your Community Health Center**
www.your-chc.org
(573) 426-4455

REGION 5 ⬢

- ⬢ **Affinia Healthcare**
www.affiniahealthcare.org
(314) 814-8700
- ⬢ **Betty Jean Kerr People's Health Center**
www.phcenters.org
(314) 367-7848
- ⬢ **Compass Health**
www.compasshealthnetwork.org
(636) 332-6000
- ⬢ **COMTREA Comprehensive Health Center**
www.comtrea.org
(636) 931-2700
- ⬢ **Family Care Health Centers**
www.familycarehealthcenter.org
(314) 353-5190
- ⬢ **Great Mines Health Center**
www.gmhcenter.org
(573) 438-9355
- ⬢ **Myrtle Hilliard Davis Comprehensive Health Center**
www.mhdchc.org
(314) 367-5820

REGION 7 ✨

- ✨ **Cross Trails Medical Center**
www.crosstrails.us
(573) 332-0808
- ✨ **Missouri Highlands Health Care**
www.mohigh.org
(573) 663-2313
- ✨ **Missouri Ozarks Community Health**
www.mo-ozarks.org
(417) 683-5739
- ✨ **Southeast Missouri Health Network**
www.semohealthnetwork.org
(573) 313-2501
- ✨ **Southern Missouri Community Health Center**
www.smchc.org
(417) 255-8464

HOW HEALTH CENTERS ADDRESS ACCESS AND DISPARITIES: FIVE UNIQUE REQUIREMENTS CENTRAL TO MISSION

1. Located in High Need areas that have been identified by the federal government as “medically underserved”
2. Able to provide comprehensive health and enabling services that fit the special needs and priorities of communities, and provide such services in a linguistically and culturally appropriate manner

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3. Open to all residents, regardless of income, with sliding fee charges for out-of-pocket payments based on an individual's or family's income and ability to pay
4. Governed by community boards, the membership of which must consist at least 51% patients to assure responsiveness to community needs
5. Follow rigorous performance and accountability requirements regarding administrative, clinical, and financial operations

WHAT SERVICES DO CHCS PROVIDE?

- Preventive care, primary medical, dental and behavioral health services
- Immunizations, prenatal care, cancer screening, well-child check-ups and dental exams and services
- Chronic disease screening and management, health education
- Diagnostic laboratory and radiological services
- Substance Use Disorder treatment

WHAT SERVICES DO CHCS PROVIDE?

- Social support, utilizing Community Health Workers to address social determinants, resource identification
- Case management of specialty and in-patient services
- Pharmaceutical services
- Patient education and outreach
- Evening and/or weekend hours to accommodate working families

ACCESS FOR UNINSURED

- Sliding Scale Fee for uninsured
 - Verification process for poverty level
 - 3 levels of slide
 - Each level requires copay, different services included as bundle

FQHCs AND MEDICARE

- Nationally, about 10 percent of FQHC patients have Medicare, and this number is rising.
- Medicare pays FQHCs based on the FQHC PPS for medically necessary primary health services and qualified preventive health services from an FQHC practitioner.
- CMS added new and expanded FQHC flexibilities during the COVID-19 PHE.
- Medicare waives Part B coinsurance and deductible for preventive services, including specific Medicare Wellness Visits such as the Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE), and Annual Wellness Visit (AWV).

MISSOURI PRIMARY CARE ASSOCIATION (MPCA)

- The Missouri Primary Care Association (MPCA) helps CHCs succeed by providing federal, state, local advocacy support.
- And by providing technical assistance and training around governance, clinical delivery, operations, HIT, and finance.

MPCA POLICY PRIORITIES

- Medicaid Expansion
- Federal Relief Funds
- CHC Mandatory Funding
- CHC Discretionary Funding
- State Funding
- Telehealth
- 340B