mpca THE VOICE OF COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS

Health Centers Deliver Value

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS are consumer-driven, patient-centered local health care organizations that provide care to people who live in medically underserved areas. Their services are tailored to fit the unique needs of the communities they serve, and their mission is simple: provide high-quality, affordable, and comprehensive medical services to everyone — regardless of who they are, where they come from, or their ability to pay.

THEIR DOORS ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE

In 2017, Michigan health centers served more than 700,000 people:

648,294
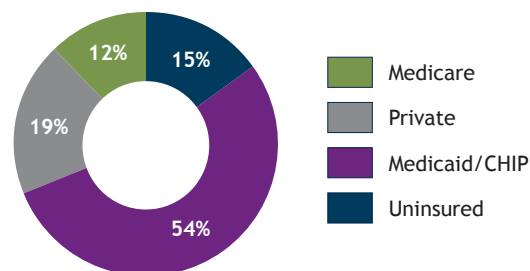live
in poverty

35,443
are
homeless

219,632
are
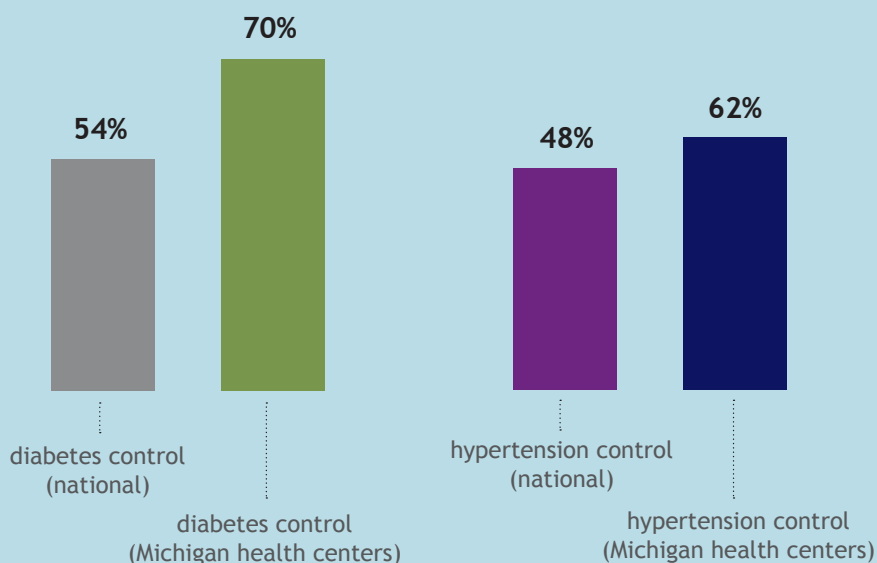children

14,615
are agricultural
farm workers

233,557
identify as racial or
ethnic minorities

13,529
are
veterans

Most Michigan community health center patients are uninsured or publicly insured:

- 12% Medicare
- 15% Uninsured
- 19% Private
- 54% Medicaid/CHIP

Legend:
- Medicare
- Private
- Medicaid/CHIP
- Uninsured

INNOVATION LEADS TO BETTER OUTCOMES

54% diabetes control (national)

70% diabetes control (Michigan health centers)

48% hypertension control (national)

62% hypertension control (Michigan health centers)

Health centers are leaders in population **HEALTH INNOVATION** and have pioneered coordination of **SERVICES FOR BETTER CARE.**

Health centers perform better on **ambulatory care quality measures compared to private physicians.** In fact, health center patients have higher rates of diabetes and hypertension control.

HEALTHY PEOPLE SPELL A HEALTHY ECONOMY

Michigan health centers don't just put people back to work, they also CREATE JOBS and generate cost savings.

6,000 people
Michigan health centers employ nearly 6,000 people of all skill and education levels.

2.7 million
In total, staff at Michigan health centers provided more than 2.7 million **patient visits last year**.

$24 billion
Nationwide, health centers save the health care system $24 billion **EVERY YEAR**.

Nationally, health centers' average daily cost per patient is lower:

- $3.06 — All physician settings
- $2.09 — Health Centers

Health centers (on average) save more nationwide than $2,300 (24%) per Medicaid patient:

- $9,889 — Other Primary Care Providers
- $7,518 — Health Centers

COVERAGE EQUALS CARE

PREVENTIVE, INTEGRATED CARE offered by Michigan health centers makes it easier to catch problems early — when they're easier and less expensive to treat. Community health centers are also on the FRONT LINES of the opioid epidemic, providing evidence-based treatment to support recovery.

- **1,719,408** Medical services
- **548,327** Dental care
- **265,134** Behavioral health
- **38,636** Substance use disorder treatment
- **29,893** Vision services
- **100,715** Enabling services (e.g., transportation, translation, health education)

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