

# Washington Health Centers



Community health centers (CHCs) provide comprehensive, high-quality primary and preventive care and reduce overall costs for the health care system. CHCs depend primarily on Medicaid and federal grant funding to operate.

Proposals to cap federal matching or end Medicaid expansions are a major threat to CHCs, their patients, and health systems in the communities they serve.

**1.2 million**  
CHC patients

Washington State's CHC patients are from varied populations, including more than:

- 364,000 children birth to age 18
- 728,000 adults ages 18 to 64
- 132,000 older adults age 65+

**698,613**  
CHC patients  
in Medicaid

- 307,000 children in Medicaid
- 391,000 adults 18 to 64 in Medicaid

**36%**

Medicaid enrollees served by CHCs

**57%**

CHC patients covered by Medicaid

**55%**

CHC revenues from Medicaid

**27**

CHC grantees

CHCs work in communities with shortages of other providers

**431**

Service sites

**41%**

In rural areas

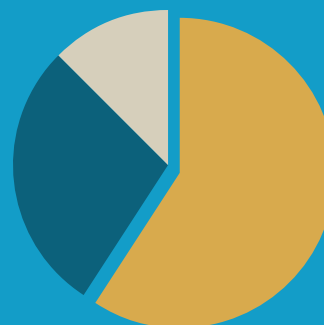


## Employment Impact

**12,964 jobs**

Direct CHC jobs created (FTEs)

## Patient Income Level



**59%** At or below 100% of poverty

**29%** 101-200% of poverty

**12%** Above 200% of poverty