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### **North Carolina Community Health Grants**

2021 Profile (Data from State Fiscal Year 2021 and current as of 6/30/2021)

# **Grant Facts**

\$14.6M

Grant funding appropriated from the General Assembly

138

Full-time equivalent health care professionals supported through grant funds

**327,824** Total Patients served

926,384

Medically vulnerable patient encounters for Medicaid, Medicare, underinsured. and uninsured

**S41.01** 

Average annual contribution by ORH per patient

# **Performance** Measures



Patients with well-controlled diabetes, as evidenced by A1c levels < 9



64%

Patients with well-controlled hypertension, as evidenced by blood pressure levels < 140/90



**55%** 

Patients screened for obesity through **Body Mass Index** (BMI) testing



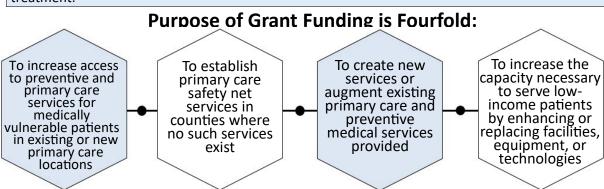
75% Patients screened for tobacco cessation and treatment

#### Did You Know? That nearly 1.1 million North Carolinians were considered uninsured in 2018 (Current Population Survey, US Census Bureau).

The Community Health Grant (CHG) funds, supported through the North Carolina General Assembly, are for assuring access to preventive care to meet the health needs of our state's most vulnerable populations. Strengthening the safety net through increased levels of collaboration and integration of services and organizations to more effectively sustain and meet the needs of those served is also an important purpose of this grant. Primary care safety net organizations, such as federally qualified health centers, state designated rural health centers, free and charitable clinics, public health departments, school-based health centers, who care for underserved and medically indigent patients in the state are eligible to apply for this funding. In FY 2021, the program served 104,090 uninsured patients which represented 32% of patients served.

#### Importance and Improvements

Continued support and recurring funding for the CHG program have strengthened North Carolina's health care safety net infrastructure to ensure that all of the State's medically vulnerable residents (Uninsured, Underinsured, Medicare and Medicaid) have access to affordable and appropriate high quality primary care. Support for the program led to a 12% increase in the number of patients served and an increase of 2 percentage points in patients screened for tobacco cessation and treatment.



#### **Return On Investment and Economic Impact** Source: IMPLAN

**CHG** Expenditures \$13,444,135

Generates

**√**9194 √

additional jobs

from the economic

impact

Created Economic Impact \$12,407,816

\$984,075

Generated in state and local

taxes which

goes back into

the local and

state economy

**Total Impact** 

\$25,851,951

\$11,990,942

In employee compensation impacted by the grants

Each CHG grant dollar has a total economic impact

S1.92

\*Economic impact is estimated to be much greater because improved health outcomes can lead to fewer missed work days, reduced health care costs, and reduced premature morbidity and mortality. Some expenses such as out of state purchases, overhead, and rollover payments are not captured for ROI and economic impact.





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Technical Assistance
208 Activities in
47 Counties
Provided by ORH Staff

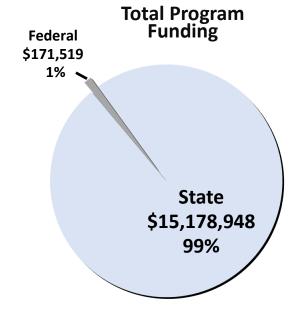
Other
10 Activities

Data
Submission
13 Activities

Community/
Development
86 Activities

Contract
Development /
Assistance

99 Activities





115

Grantees Funded

County (68 Counties)

**68**Total Counties Covered

Rural Counties Covered

