North Carolina Medication Assistance Program
2021 Profile (Data from State Fiscal Year 2021 and current as of 6/30/2021)

**Grant Facts**

- **$2.1M** Grant funding appropriated from the General Assembly
- **43** Full-time equivalent health care professionals supported through grant funds
- **25,407** Patients served
- **94%** Percentage of patients served that were uninsured
- **108,118** Prescription drugs received through The Pharmacy Connection (TPC)
- **$178M** Value of medications leveraged
  *Based on average wholesale prices from TPC
- **11%** Of prescriptions were anti-psychotic, anti-depressant, and other mental health drugs
- **103** Active MAP sites using TPC software licenses
- **$64.64** Average ORH contribution per patient (each patient averages about 5 prescription drugs each month)

**Did You Know**
The Medication Assistance Program (MAP) is a safety net for uninsured, low-income individuals in the state. During SFY 2021, 94% of the patients served were uninsured and 83% of patients were at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level. It provides access to free prescription drugs available through pharmaceutical manufacturers to patients who cannot afford them. This service, is currently offered through 103 sites across the state in facilities such as rural health centers, federally qualified health centers, and community and faith based organizations.

**Importance and Improvements**
Since the creation of the program in 2003, it has accessed $2,434,552,416 in free medications for patients who could not afford them. For SFY 2021 the value of medications leveraged for the program total $178 million for over 25,000 patients.

**MedAssist:** NC MedAssist is a central fill pharmacy purchasing prescription drugs for patients who meet certain income criteria. The NC General Assembly appropriates funds, administered by ORH, directly to MedAssist

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**Value of prescriptions filled (AWP)**

- **393,690** Prescriptions filled based on 30-day supply
- **$60,499,359**

*NC MedAssist values are self reported and separate from TPC values
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Technical Assistance
59 Activities in 28 Counties
Provided by ORH Staff

Program Leverage

FY 21
State Funds
$2,104,743

FY 21 Prescription Value
$177,854,248

Community Development
26 Activities

Contract Development
25 Activities

Citizen Assistance
4 Activities

Other
4 Activities

Rural Counties Covered
69

Total Counties Covered
98

Agencies Funded
53

Program Reach

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