### North Carolina Medication Assistance Program

#### 2022 Profile (Data from State Fiscal Year 2022 and current as of 6/30/2022)

#### Did You Know

The Medication Assistance Program (MAP) is a safety net for uninsured, low-income individuals in the state. During SFY 2022, 94% of the patients served were uninsured and 86% 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 106 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 $2,651,514,438 in free medications for patients who could not afford them. For SFY 2022 the value of medications leveraged for the program totaled $216 million for 26,707 patients.

#### Return On Investment and Economic Impact

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<th>MAP Expenditures</th>
<th>Created Economic Impact</th>
<th>Total Impact</th>
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<td>$3,791,993</td>
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- Generates 54 additional jobs from the economic impact
- Generates $212,708 generated in state and local taxes which goes back into the local and state economy
- $3,562,295 in employee compensation impacted by the grants

*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.

#### Medication Distribution

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Number of Prescriptions</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
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<td>Diabetes</td>
<td>42,894 (36%)</td>
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<td>Cardiovascular</td>
<td>25,431 (21%)</td>
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<td>Asthma/Pulmonary</td>
<td>17,554 (15%)</td>
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<td>Mental Health</td>
<td>14,293 (12%)</td>
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<td>Various Other Classes</td>
<td>5,858 (5%)</td>
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<td>Gastrointestinal</td>
<td>5,685 (5%)</td>
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<td>Allergy/Cold</td>
<td>2,570 (2%)</td>
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<td>Antimicrobials</td>
<td>1,647 (1%)</td>
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<td>Analgesics</td>
<td>1,595 (1%)</td>
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<td>Rheumatologic</td>
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#### Grant Facts

- **$2.1M** Grant funding appropriated from the General Assembly
- **51** Full-time equivalent health care professionals supported through grant funds
- **26,707** Patients served
- **94%** Percentage of patients served that were uninsured
- **124,158** Prescription drugs received through The Pharmacy Connection (TPC)
- **$216M*\)** Value of medications leveraged
  *Based on average wholesale prices from TPC
- **12%** Of prescriptions were anti-psychotic, anti-depressant, and other mental health drugs
- **106** Active MAP sites using TPC software licenses
- **$137.47** Average ORH contribution per patient (each patient averages about 5 prescription drugs each month)

#### 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. In SFY 22 $2M was appropriated.

- **5** FTEs
- **15,748** Patients served
- **395,425** Prescriptions filled based on 30-day supply
- **$57,467,782** Value of prescriptions filled (AWP)

*NC MedAssist values are self reported and separate from TPC values*
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Technical Assistance
46 Activities in 16 Counties
Provided by ORH Staff

Program Leverage
FY 22 State Funds $2,104,743
Prescription Value $216,962,022

Program Reach
106 Sites Supported
68 Total Counties Covered
45 Rural Counties Covered

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