



North Carolina Rural Health Centers

2019 Profile (Data from State Fiscal Year 2019 and current as of 6/30/2019)

Grant Facts

\$2.9M

Grant funding appropriated from the General Assembly

69,018

Patients served

11,905

Uninsured patients served

18,829

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

\$38.75

Average annual contribution by ORH per patient

Performance Measures



74%

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



70%

Patients with well controlled hypertension, as evidenced by blood pressure levels $\leq 140/90$



54%

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



63%

Patients screened for tobacco cessation and treatment

Overview and Importance

North Carolina's community owned Rural Health Centers provide quality primary medical services in underserved rural communities, in addition to piloting new behavioral health programs with grantees. By supporting these centers, the overall health of residents can be improved and costly emergency department visits can be avoided. Our 14 centers serve as medical homes for vulnerable populations, including uninsured, underinsured, Medicaid and Medicare patients and saw 69,018 patients this year, of these 11,905 were uninsured. Without support from ORH, many patients would lose local access to quality primary healthcare.

Improvements

In 2019, Rural Health Centers improved on 3 out of 4 clinical performance measures relative to their 2018 performance. These aggregate clinical measures included the following: percentage of patients with well-controlled hypertension increased by 19%, percentage of patients screened for obesity through BMI testing increased by 39% and patients screened for tobacco cessation and treatment increased by 34%.

Purpose of Grant Funding is Fourfold:

Medical Access Plan (MAP) funding to provide primary care services to low income, uninsured and underserved populations

Capital funding to support the renovation and equipping of rural health centers



Planning and implementation projects provide funding to those organizations deemed by ORH as a state-designated rural health center



Innovation projects provide funding for rural health centers to create systems and processes that promote organizational stability

Return On Investment and Economic Impact

Source: IMPLAN

RHC Expenditures

\$2,419,358



Created Economic Impact

\$1,286,435



Total Impact

\$3,705,703

Each RHC grant dollar has a total economic impact of

\$1.53

Generates
28
additional jobs from the economic impact



\$131,920
Generated in state and local taxes which goes back into the local and state economy

\$1,570,138
In employee compensation impacted by the grants



53%
ROI

*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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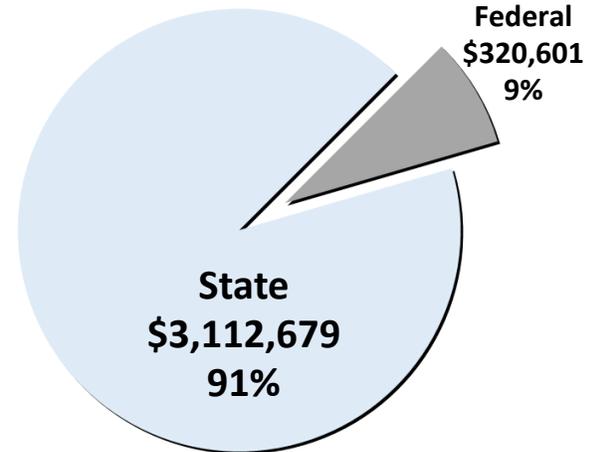


Technical Assistance

107 Activities in 39 Counties

Provided by ORH Staff

Total Program Funding*



Support Recruitment and Retention

49 Activities

Community Development Assistance

22 Activities

Other Activities 11 Activities

Clinic/Staff Assistance 25 Activities

Program Reach

14

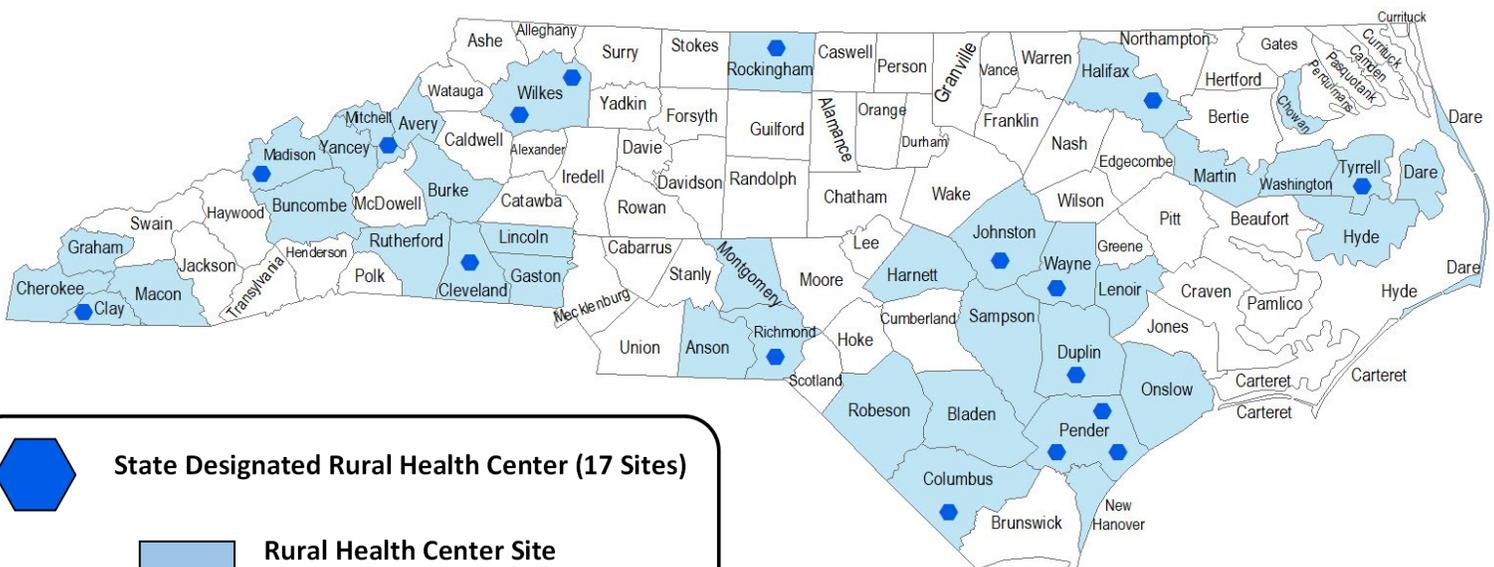
Agencies Funded

38

Total Counties Covered

32

Rural Counties Covered



State Designated Rural Health Center (17 Sites)

Rural Health Center Site
County Coverage (38 Counties)

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