

**IPHCA's MISSION:** To champion the development and delivery of accessible, community-driven quality health care.



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Indiana Council of Community  
Mental Health Centers, Inc.

# IPHCA Membership

- 47 Community Health Centers
  - 19 Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) funded in part by the HRSA Bureau of Primary Health Care
  - 29 State-Funded Centers, funded in part by ISDH Primary Care Office
- Individuals, Corporate Partners, and Supportive Stakeholders

# IPHCA Funding

- Membership dues
- Bureau of Primary Care, HRSA
- State Grants
- Other

# IPHCA Functions

- Policy Monitoring and Advocacy
- Education and Training
- Quality Assurance and Improvement Support
- HPSA and MUA Designation Support
- J-1 Support
- Emergency Management
- Support Expanded Access
- Provider Recruitment

# Indiana J-1 Visa Waiver Program

- Also known as the Conrad 30 Program
- A J-1 Waiver allows a physician on a J-1 Visa to stay in the United States, waiving the requirement of returning to their home country for 2 years
- Up to 30 J-1 Visa Waiver recommendations are available to each state
- Must practice in a Primary Care HPSA or MUA/P designation
- Psychiatrists can practice in a Primary Care HPSA, Mental HPSA, or MUA/P designation

# National Health Service Corps

- Approved sites must be located in an appropriate HPSA designation, offer Sliding Fee Scale, and accept Medicaid
- Provides opportunity for practitioners to apply for Federal Loan Repayment
- Some current NHSC approved Mental Health facilities include:
  - Centerstone of Indiana
  - Bowen Center
  - Cummins Mental Health
  - Four County Counseling
  - Grant-Blackford Mental Health

# National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment

- Repayment of educational loans for eligible clinicians who commit to providing full time clinical service in HPSAs
- 2-year or 5-year service commitment
- Maximum repayment for the initial 2 year contract is \$50,000
- Maximum repayment for the initial 5 year contract is \$145,000
- Possible opportunities to continue beyond minimum contract

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# Federally Qualified Health Centers

- 19 Non-profit FQHCs in Indiana
- Located in MUA
- Community Board of Directors comprising at least 51% Health Center Patients
- Designated by BPHC following extensive application and approval process
- Applicants may first apply for “Look-alike” status

# State Funded Centers

- Non-Profit
- PCO Grants from Tobacco Settlement Funds
- Payment Sources include Medicaid, Medicare, Insurance, and Sliding-scale-based Self Pay

# Health Center Functions

- Provides medical, mental health and dental care to all regardless on their ability to pay – uninsured or underinsured
- Provides enabling services such as pharmacy, transportation, prenatal and family care services, case management and other referrals to other basic needs agency
- Provides services through all the life cycles- prenatal, pediatric, adult and geriatrics.

# Patients Served and Delivery Sites, 2008

## Total Patients Served

<b>FQHCs</b>	216,079
<b>State-funded Only CHCs</b>	183,481
<b>TOTAL</b>	399,560

## Number of Service Delivery Sites

(Includes primary care, behavioral health, homeless, migrant workers and school-based clinics.)

**FQHCs = 85**

**State-funded Only CHCs = 48**

# Integration of Care

- ***“We want Indiana to be a national leader in the integration of behavioral health care and primary care services.”*** Veronique LeBlanc, CEO, Riggs Community Health Center and Board Chair, IPHCA
- ***“By integrating behavioral health into primary care we are essentially reconnecting the head with the body. Our patients come fully assembled, why shouldn’t their health care?”*** Beth Wrobel, CEO, HealthLinc, Inc.
- ***“We both see the benefit of working together.”***  
Santee Strader McMillen, ECHO Community Health Care, Evansville, on collaboration with Southwestern Health Care

# Integration of Primary and Behavioral Health Care Services

- Local challenges, local solutions.
- Progressing at various stages throughout the state.
- Reimbursement concerns remain.
- Best interest of the patient.

# QUESTIONS?

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