



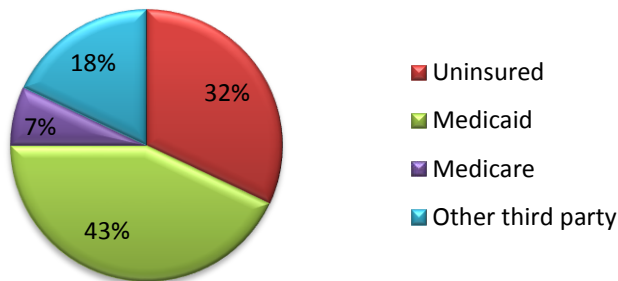
Rhode Island's nine **community health centers**, including 8 federally qualified health centers (FQHCs), serve Rhode Islanders at 29 office locations throughout the state. The Health centers have a long history of providing high-quality, low-cost primary health care to Rhode Islanders. Health centers are non-profit, safety-net primary care providers that serve patient populations who otherwise confront financial, geographic, language, and cultural barriers accessing health care services.

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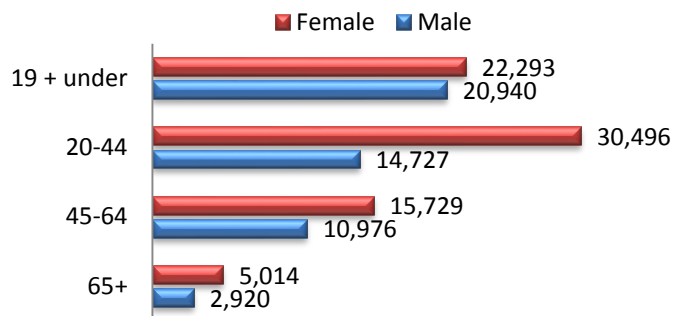
In 2011, community health centers served over **123,000** patients in Rhode Island and provided over **520,000** patient visits.

The community health centers continue to expand access to medical, dental and behavioral health services for all their patients, with public and private insurance, and without insurance. Uninsured patients pay for their health care on an income-based sliding scale fee. In 2011, the community health centers provided \$15.3 million in charity care, and wrote off \$1.7 million in bad debt.

INSURANCE SOURCE



FQHC PATIENTS BY AGE AND GENDER



Data Source: 2011 Uniform Data System

Health Center Staff*

Rhode Island's community health centers are also small businesses. They all contribute to the local economy through employment and purchases.

Rhode Island's community health centers employ **over 130 medical and dental providers** (doctors, nurse practitioners, physician's assistants, nurse midwives and dentists)

Rhode Island's community health centers employ **over 930 staff members**, including providers, medical assistants, case managers, dental hygienists and other staff necessary to serve our 123,000 patients.

*Staff numbers are for full-time-equivalents, or FTEs; actual number of people employed is higher, as staff members may be part-time.

Rhode Island's community health centers are leading the way....

...in integrating medical and behavioral health care

The community health centers recognize the importance of integrating behavioral health services with primary care to best serve individuals and families. In 2011, our community health centers continued to invest in behavioral health services, serving 28% more patients than in 2010.

...in integrating medical and dental care.

In 2011, the community health centers treated over 42,000 adults and children with over 117,000 dental visits. This is a dramatic increase from 2003, when the community health centers served fewer than 10,000 dental patients. There are 74 dental operatories at the 15 community health center dental locations. Community health centers also offer dental care to children through school-based programs and the Molar Express van, and to nursing home residents through other mobile dentistry programs.

...in Electronic Health Records

All of Rhode Island's federally qualified community health centers use electronic medical records. Electronic medical records improve efficiency and clinical outcomes, aid in quality improvement, and streamline resource management.

...in Patient-Centered Medical Homes

Community health centers, with their long-standing goal of providing integrated primary medical, behavioral health and dental care for their patients, fit naturally into the patient-centered medical home (PCMH) model of care that is being promoted nationally and locally. The medical home is a model in which care is coordinated across the health care system and assures patients get care when and where they want it, and in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner. The Rhode Island Health Center Association provides the health centers with resources and expertise in medical home development, practice redesign and the review process to assist them in moving to national PCMH recognition.

Rhode Island's Community Health Centers

Blackstone Valley Community Health Care, Inc.

- Central Falls
- Pawtucket

Block Island Health Services

- Block Island

Comprehensive Community Action Program/Family Health Services

- Coventry
- Cranston
- Warwick

East Bay Community Action Program

- East Providence
- Newport

Providence Community Health Centers, Inc.

- Locations throughout Providence

Thundermist Health Center

- Wakefield
- West Warwick
- Woonsocket

Tri-Town Community Action Agency

- Johnston

WellOne Primary Medical and Dental Care

- Foster
- North Kingstown
- Pascoag

Wood River Health Services

- Hope Valley