



# WHY HEALTH CENTERS MATTER

## CHOPTANK COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEM INC.

### Health Center Fact Sheet

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#### Locations:

**CCHS Billing Offices**  
 301 Randolph Street  
 Denton, MD 21629

**Denton Medical Center**  
 609 Daffin Lane  
 Denton, MD 21629

**Goldsboro Medical & Dental Center**  
 316 Railroad Ave.  
 Goldsboro, MD 21636

**Federalburg Medical & Dental Center**  
 215 Bloomingdale Ave.  
 Federalburg, MD 21632

**Hurlock Medical Center**  
 302 Collins Avenue  
 Hurlock, MD

**Woman's Health Center**  
 100 Bramble Street, 2nd Floor  
 Cambridge, MD 21613

**Fassett Magee Health Center**  
 503 A Muir Street  
 Cambridge, MD 21613

**Cambridge Dental Center**  
 503 A Muir Street  
 Cambridge, MD 21613

**Bay Hundred Health Center**  
 933 South Talbot Street, Unit 4  
 St. Michaels, MD 21663

#### Services:

CCHS provides Family Practice, Pediatric, Dental, and Behavioral Health services at seven locations around the mid-shore. In addition, CCHS operates Migrant Health and School Based Wellness programs around Caroline County.

Community Health Centers improve access to care for the nation's most medically underserved. Community Health Centers ensure that over 20 million underserved patients have a place for primary and preventive care. Also known as Federally-Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), health centers care for 1 out of every 7 Medicaid beneficiaries nationally. Health centers offer comprehensive primary and preventive health care services that propel system-wide cost savings and improve patient health.

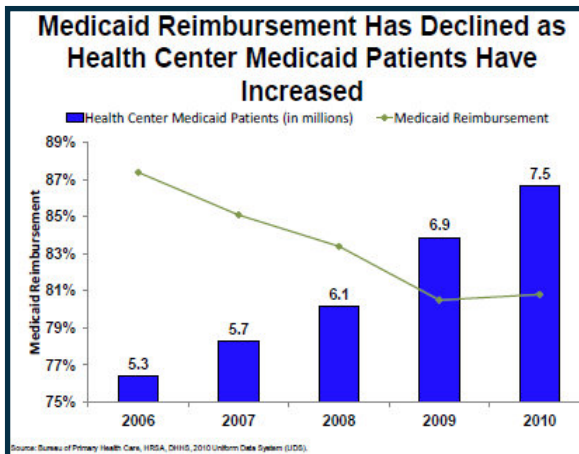
### DELIVERING SAVINGS

Medicaid beneficiaries relying on Health Centers are 19% less likely to use the emergency room and 11% less likely to be hospitalized for preventable conditions. As a result, health centers save the federal-state Medicaid program \$6 billion annually.

In Maryland, Health Centers serve 15% of Medicaid patients with only 1.2% of Medicaid expenditures.

### THE IMPORTANCE OF ADEQUATE MEDICAID PAYMENTS

As the largest insurer of health center patients, adequate Medicaid payments are essential to a center's solvency. Over the years, Medicaid reimbursement has decreased at a time when health centers are serving more Medicaid patients.



### ESTIMATED AFFORDABLE CARE ACT IMPACT

By 2017, MACHC estimates that Caroline, Kent, Dorchester, and Queen Anne's Counties will have roughly 11,000 newly insured residents as a result of the Affordable Care Act. Of these 11,000, roughly 5,700 will be under 200 percent of the poverty line. Of those under 200 percent of the poverty line, MACHC estimates that 3,900 will be under 133 percent of the poverty line and eligible to receive Medicaid.

### STATE HEALTH IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

In response to the Affordable Care Act and Medicaid expansion, Community Health Centers in Maryland are creating task forces responsible for moving forward with Federal requirements and closely examining how to implement major provisions such as health insurance exchanges and insurance reforms.

**Quick Facts**  
 Choptank Community Health System, Inc.

- 7 Health Center Site Locations
- 9 School-Based Health Centers
- 32 School-Based Dental Sites
- 4 Migrant Health Sites
- Serving 26,504 Patients
- 17% Uninsured
- 40% Medicaid
- 7% Medicare

Sources: Choptank Community Health System & HRSA, 2010 Uniformed Data System (UDS)

### PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM (PPS)

Medicaid PPS was established by Congress with the intent of ensuring appropriate payment for covered individuals while not forcing health centers to cross-subsidize Medicaid out of their federal grants. This unique payment system is critical to the continued success of Health Centers in providing cost-savings primary and preventive care, not only to their Medicaid patients but to all uninsured individuals.

Without a unique PPS rate, inadequate payment for the Health Center patients covered by Medicaid, combined with the extremely limited payment for patients who are uninsured, would quickly cause Health Centers to lose viability.

The Mid-Atlantic Association of Community Health Centers