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Today with Macrae: Health Center Program Updates

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- Health Centers Addressing Congenital Syphilis
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Cervical Cancer Awareness Month

Accelerated Cancer Screening Grant

Su Clinica Health Center

Stone Mountain Health Services

Accelerating Innovative Cervical Cancer Care

Thursday, January 25

1 - 2 p.m. ET

[Register](#)

Cervical Cancer ECHO Learning Series for Safety-Net Settings

Begins on Thursday, March 7

11-week training for health care providers

[CERV-Net](#)



CERVICALCANCER
AWARENESS



Health Centers Can Stem the Increase



The infographic is divided into four quadrants with different background colors and icons. The top-left quadrant has a green background and features the text 'CONGENITAL SYPHILIS IS:' in white, with an illustration of a pregnant woman. The top-right quadrant has a dark blue background and features an illustration of a baby crib and the text 'INCREASING IN THE UNITED STATES' in white. The bottom-left quadrant has a light green background and features the text 'A SOURCE OF MAJOR HEALTH PROBLEMS, EVEN DEATH' in dark blue, with an illustration of a baby walker. The bottom-right quadrant has a red background and features a white spiral icon and the text 'PREVENTABLE' in white.

CONGENITAL SYPHILIS IS:

INCREASING IN THE UNITED STATES

A SOURCE OF MAJOR HEALTH PROBLEMS, EVEN DEATH

PREVENTABLE



Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/std/syphilis/stdfact-congenital-syphilis.htm>



BPHC Work to Decrease Congenital Syphilis

Webinar Recordings

- [No Time to Lues: A Call to Arms Amidst a Congenital Syphilis Epidemic](#)
- [Sexual Health in Primary Care Settings](#)
- [Taking Sexual Health History](#)



On My Mind



Year in Review

FY 2023 Funding

Awarded \$6.1 billion in FY23 funding to support health centers providing services to 30+ million people in the U.S. including:

Program	Funding Amount
Ongoing Health Center Program funding	\$5+ B
Expand COVID-19 vaccination	Nearly \$350 M
Congressionally directed spending projects	\$276+ M
New and continued funding for Ending the HIV Epidemic — Primary Care HIV Prevention (PCHP)	\$157+ M
Continuing equitable access – COVID-19 testing, vaccination, treatment to people who are uninsured or underinsured	\$81+ M
Quality Improvement Fund - Maternal Health	\$67+ M
Capital assistance for hurricane response and recovery efforts	Nearly \$64 M
Expand and continue services at school-based service sites	\$50+ M
Expand development screening for young children	\$30+ M
Address disparities in cancer screening + follow-up care	Nearly \$11 M



Program Oversight



Reviewed **8.6K** progress reports for **3.7K+** supplemental awards.



Reviewed **43** look-alike (LAL) initial designation (ID) applications and designated **15** applicants as new LALs.



Completed **424** Operational Site Visits and **1,457** Program Analysis and Recommendation reviews.



Training and Technical Assistance



Consolidated FAQs into a single Health Center Program FAQ webpage, which has received **23,000+** views.



1,600+ people registered for BPHC's second annual Patient-Centered Medical Home Health Equity Technical Assistance Symposium; participants from **100+** organizations received continuing education credits.



Customer Experience



Developed a Customer Experience Strategic Plan that outlines the priorities, milestones, and deliverables to promote and advance customer experience for BPHC in the next year and beyond.



Handled **6,509** Health Center Program Support requests, including through the BPHC Contact Form.



Handled more than **20,000** Salesforce tickets.



Data Strategy, Collection, and Dissemination



1,196 health centers (1,128 awardees and 68 look-alikes) received a [Community Health Quality Recognition badge](#).



17 health centers received the new National Quality Leader — National Quality Leader Cancer Screening badge.



Research journals published **5** peer-reviewed [manuscripts](#) assessing the Health Center Program's impact.



Nearly **700** health centers — and **52,000+** health center staff — participated in the first-ever Workforce Well-being Survey through early 2023.



Published the 2022 Health Center Patient Survey results from **4.1K+** patient interviews, including that **97%** of patients would recommend their health center.

COVID-19

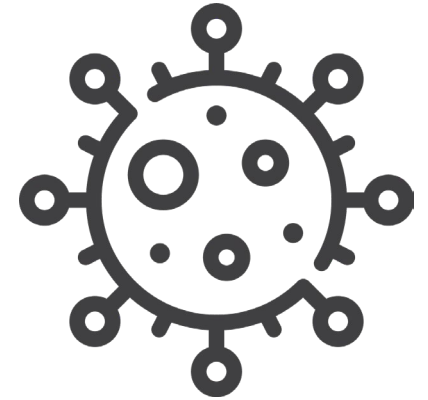
Through our COVID-19 Response Programs, health centers:



Administered approximately **10 million** doses of COVID-19 vaccines (from the start of the Health Center COVID-19 Vaccine Program in 2021 to its conclusion in August 2023).



Ordered **10+ million** testing supplies and **89,000** therapeutic supplies in 2023.



Communications



BPHC's website experienced **2.7+ million** page views.



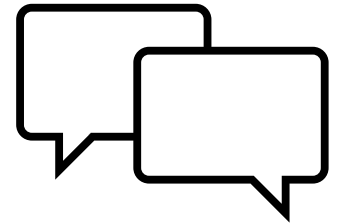
Produced **52** Primary Health Care Digest and **51** BPHC Insider issues, along with **29** external and **33** internal bulletins.



Fielded a reader survey in the Digest: approximately **1,000** people took it and **91%** said it's easy to find what they need.



Produced **22** webcasts, featuring **22** guest speakers. On average, nearly **980** people attended each Today with Macrae.



Communications Continued



Produced [National Health Center Week 2023 video](#) profiling **7** health centers, which has received **1,000+** views.



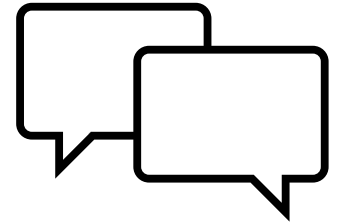
Supported visits by the HRSA Administrator and [IEA Regional Offices](#) to **50+** health centers during National Health Center Week in **25** states and territories.



Produced new Spanish resources, including [Introducción al Alcance del Proyecto del Programa para los Centros de Salud](#) (Health Center Scope of Project video) and [corresponding slides](#) (PDF); others in development.



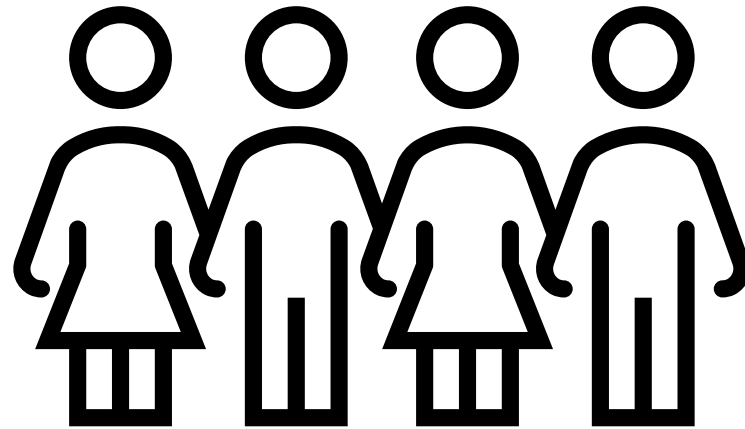
Created a new [Health Centers: A Guide for Patients Fact Sheet](#), a new patient-focused guide to health centers targeted to consumers, communities, and potential patients. The guide received nearly 4,000 clicks the first week it was shared via the Digest.



People



Onboarded **91** new staff



FY 2024 Health Center New Funding Outlook*

New Funding	President's Budget	House LHHS (Discretionary)	Senate LHHS (Discretionary)	House E&C (Mandatory)	Senate HELP (Mandatory)
Behavioral Health Services (mandatory)	\$700 M	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$400 M (through 2025 + 3 months) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.8 B for base adjustments, extended hours, school-based sites, and behavioral health services (through 2026) BH and nutrition services required \$3 B capital
Expanded Hours (mandatory)	\$250 M	N/A	N/A		
New Access Points (mandatory)	\$150 M	N/A	N/A		
<i>Primary Care HIV Prevention (discretionary)</i>	<i>\$15 M new</i>	<i>No increase; \$150M for capital</i>	<i>No increase</i>	N/A	N/A
<i>Early Childhood Development (discretionary)</i>	<i>\$55 M new</i>	<i>No increase</i>	<i>No increase</i>	N/A	N/A
<i>Cancer Screening (discretionary)</i>	<i>\$10 M new</i>	<i>No increase</i>	<i>No increase</i>	N/A	N/A
TOTAL FY 2024	\$7.1 B	\$1.8 B	\$1.8 B	\$4.4 B (\$6.2 B total w/discretionary)	\$5.8 B (\$7.6B w/discretionary) + \$3 B capital

*As of 11/7/2023. (FY 2023 total appropriations = \$5.8 B)



FY 2023 Expanding COVID-19 Vaccination (ECV) Award

Award Overview

\$350M in total funding (12/1/2022 – 12/31/2023)

Approximately **1,470** awards to HRSA-funded health centers and look-alikes

Funded Activities

- Outreach and Education
- Vaccine Administration
- Working with Community Partners
- Expanding Hours and Availability
- Enabling Services

Health Center Spotlight

United Community and Family Services
Norwich, CT



ECV Reporting Requirements

- HRSA COVID-19 Survey
- Interim Report
- Final Report
(due 90 days after the project period end date)



UDS+ Cohort Descriptions and Benefits

Cohort 1 – March Submission and Full Data Review

Description: Submit live data during the voluntary UDS+ submission period **before March 31**.

Submission: February through March 2024

Benefits:

- Dedicated submission support.
- Detailed submission review.
- Full Data Review – Detailed review and analysis with UDS and UDS+ comparison reports.
- Heavily influence future data and reporting needs.
- Heavily influence future IG changes.

Cohort 2 - Extended Testing, June Submission, Partial Data Review

Description: Continue Synthetic Testing and submit live data during the voluntary UDS+ submission period **before June 30**.

Submission: May through June 2024

Benefits:

- Allow continued synthetic testing through Spring 2024.
- Allow voluntary 2023 data submissions through mid-2024.
- Allow testing and submission for unique scenarios (multi-system for example).
- Partial data review and analysis.
- Influence future UDS+ needs.

Cohort 3 – Focus on Testing

Description: Vendors and Health Centers interested in participating but have not participated in testing and still monitoring UDS+ participation and readiness.

No Voluntary 2023 Submission

Benefits:

- Continued engagement in public forums and outreach efforts to navigate any looming questions or plans for UDS+.
- Continued support and encouragement to participate in Synthetic Testing in 2023.

Note: Vendors (submitting on behalf of a Health Center) and Health Centers using in-house systems must successfully complete testing *before* submitting UDS+ data.



COVID-19 Response Program Enrollment Deadline

Enroll by Friday, January 26

Free COVID-19
testing supplies
and oral antivirals



Mark Your Calendar

Today with Macrae: Q&A Session

- [Tuesday, February 27, 3 – 4 p.m. ET](#)

Join Us!



Share Your Photos with Us



Use [BPHC Contact Form](#)

- Under General/Other HRSA, select *Other Topics*
- Mention *Wear Red Day 2024*
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 - ✓ Two or three sentences about the event as applicable
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Questions?



Thank You!

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