

Community Health Resources Commission

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BACKGROUND ON THE CHRC



- **Created by the Maryland General Assembly in 2005**
- **Legislative policy goals:**
 - Expand access to health services in underserved communities;
 - Support programs that serve low-income individuals and vulnerable populations; and
 - Build capacity of Maryland's safety net providers.
- **Statutory responsibilities:**
 - Increase access to primary and specialty care through community health resources;
 - Promote emergency department diversion programs to prevent avoidable hospital utilization and generate cost savings; and
 - Facilitate the adoption of health information technology.

BACKGROUND ON THE CHRC



- **Eleven Commissioners are appointed by the Governor.**

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IMPACT OF CHRC GRANTS

- Since 2007, CHRC has awarded **233 grants totaling \$70.7 million**. Most grants are for multiple years.
- CHRC has supported programs in **all 24 jurisdictions**.
- Programs have collectively **served more than 470,000 Marylanders**. Most individuals have complex health and social service needs.
- Grants awarded by the CHRC have enabled grantees to leverage **\$23.7 million** in **additional** federal and private/nonprofit resources.
- **Of this \$23.7 million, \$20 million has been from private and local resources.**

COUNCIL ON ADVANCEMENT OF SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS

- Created in legislation approved by the Maryland General Assembly in 2015.
- Charged with developing policy recommendations to improve health and educational outcomes of students who receive services from School-Based Health Centers.
- Responsible for advancing the integration of SBHCs into health care and educational systems at the state and local levels and for promoting long-term financial sustainability of SBHCs.

COUNCIL ON ADVANCEMENT OF SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS

Chair - Kate Connor, M.D., MSPH

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Mark Luckner – Maryland Community Health Resources Commission

COUNCIL ON ADVANCEMENT OF SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS

- The Council has created three Work Groups, comprised of its members and additional members of the public.
- Much of the substantive work of the Council is carried out in Work Groups.

Systems Integration and Funding - add financial information to annual MSDE SBHC report and provide T.A. session around Medicaid billing with SBHC Administrators

Data Collection and Reporting - work with MSDE to re-write the SBHC annual survey

Quality and Best Practices - work with MSDE to update the SBHC Standards

CHRC GRANTS TO SUPPORT SBHCs

- SBHCs are designated community health resources (eligible for grant funding).
- 17 CHRC SBHC grants totaling \$3.8 million.
- Supports salary costs for practitioners (MDs, NPs, RNs, LCSWs, dental hygienists) and some administrative costs (office clerks/assistants).
- More than 14,000 individuals served.
- Delivery/expansion of primary care, dental, behavioral health, and obesity prevention services in 11 jurisdictions.
- Metrics collected include:
 - Number of individuals served;
 - Number/types of services provided, i.e., vaccinations, dental sealants, etc.; and
 - ED visits by type: asthma, acute illness, and behavioral health.

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