



HRSA COVID-19 Health Equity Efforts, Rural Programs and Resources

Rural Health Equity Summit

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HRSA and IEA Overview



Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Overview



Supports more than 90 programs that provide health care to people who are geographically isolated, economically or medically challenged



HRSA does this through grants and cooperative agreements to more than 3,000 awardees, including community and faith-based organizations, colleges and universities, hospitals, state, local, and tribal governments, and private entities



Every year, HRSA programs serve tens of millions of people, including people with HIV/AIDS, pregnant women, mothers and their families, and those otherwise unable to access quality health care

HRSA Organizational Structure

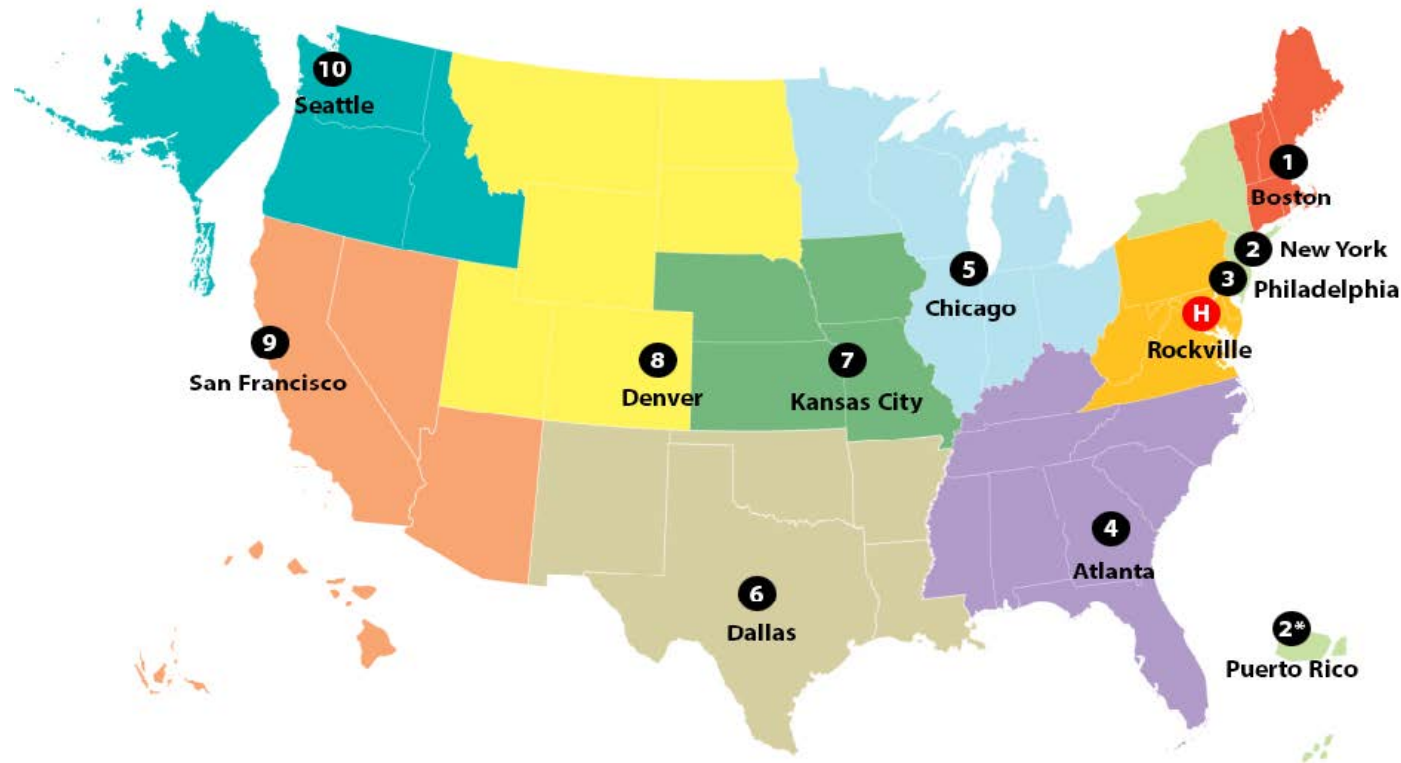
Health Resources and Services Administration



Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs

Ten Regions - One HRSA

Mission: To provide on-the-ground outreach to increase the reach, impact, and awareness of HRSA programs.



Contact IEA

- When you would like to connect with HRSA or HHS programs
- When you have questions about HRSA or HHS programs, data, policies, or resources
- When you are looking for a new type of partner or resource (*including funding opportunities*)
- When you would like to share information with HRSA to inform decision making or programming
- When you would like HRSA representation at a meeting or event
- ***Simply to connect!***



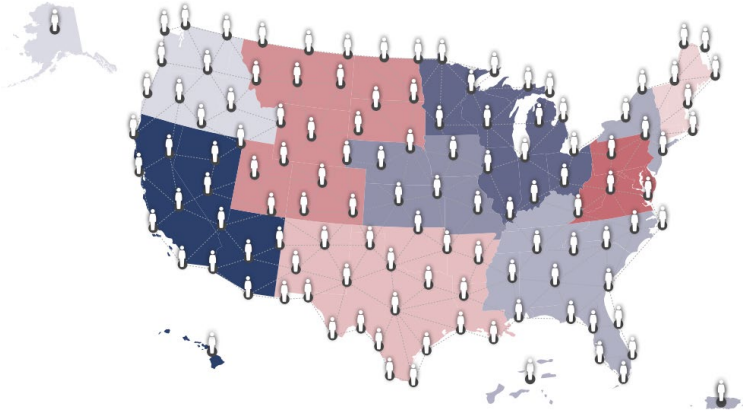
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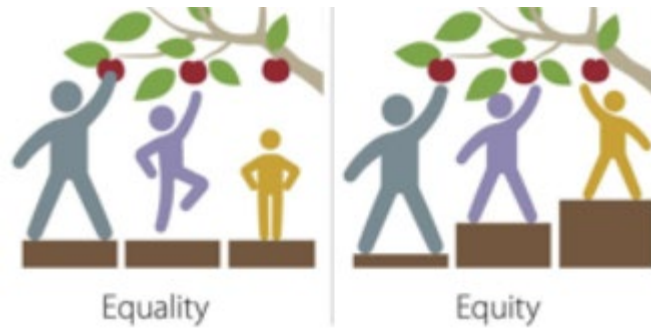
HRSA COVID-19 Health Equity Efforts



HRSA and Health Equity



HRSA's Mission: To improve health outcomes and achieve health equity through access to quality services, a skilled health workforce, and innovative, high-value programs.



Health Equity: Health Equity is the absence of disparities or avoidable differences among socioeconomic and demographic groups or geographical areas in health status and health outcomes such as disease, disability, or mortality.

Risk for COVID-19 Infection, Hospitalization, and Death by Race/Ethnicity

Rate ratios compared to White, Non-Hispanic persons	American Indian or Alaska Native, Non-Hispanic persons	Asian, Non-Hispanic persons	Black or African American, Non-Hispanic persons	Hispanic or Latino persons
Cases ¹	1.7x	0.7x	1.1x	1.9x
Hospitalization ²	3.4x	1.0x	2.8x	2.8x
Death ³	2.4x	1.0x	2.0x	2.3x

¹ Data Source: Data reported by state and territorial jurisdictions (accessed July 9, 2021). Numbers are ratios of age-adjusted rates standardized to the 2019 U.S. intercensal population estimate. Calculations use only the 63% of case reports that have race and ethnicity; this can result in inaccurate estimates of the relative risk among groups.

² Data source: [COVID-NET](#) (March 1, 2020 through June 26, 2021). Numbers are ratios of age-adjusted rates standardized to the 2019 US standard COVID-NET catchment population.

³ Data source: National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) [provisional death counts](#) (data through July 3, 2021). Numbers are ratios of age-adjusted rates standardized to the 2019 U.S. intercensal population estimate.



HRSA COVID-19 Health Equity Efforts



HRSA Health Centers

- Community-based and patient-directed organizations that deliver affordable, accessible, quality, and cost-effective primary health care to nearly 29 million patients each year
- Over 91% of health center patients are individuals or families living at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines and nearly **63%** are racial/ethnic minorities.



Health Center COVID-19 Vaccine Program

- Provides a direct supply of COVID-19 vaccines to health centers who serve hard-to-reach and disproportionately affected populations
- Approximately **75%** of those who have received a vaccine through the program are racial or ethnic minorities



HRSA Health Centers COVID-19 Testing and Vaccination Efforts

State	Number of Patients Tested	Total Vaccinations (All Sources)	Percent of Vaccination Among Racial and Ethnic Minority Patients
Illinois	621,534	575,364	84.5%
Missouri	220,517	247,856	32.8%

**Data as of September 14, 2021*



HRSA COVID-19 Health Equity Efforts



Community-Based Workforce for COVID-19 Vaccine Outreach Program

- Establishes, expands, and sustains community-based efforts to mobilize community outreach workers, community health workers, patient navigators, social support specialists and others to increase vaccinations
- Award recipients serve as trusted voices in local communities, sharing information about vaccines, building vaccine confidence, and addressing barriers to vaccination
- Recipients are working with underserved communities in all 50 states, including in **rural**, African American, Latino, Asian/Pacific Islander, and Tribal communities

Illinois and Missouri Grantees

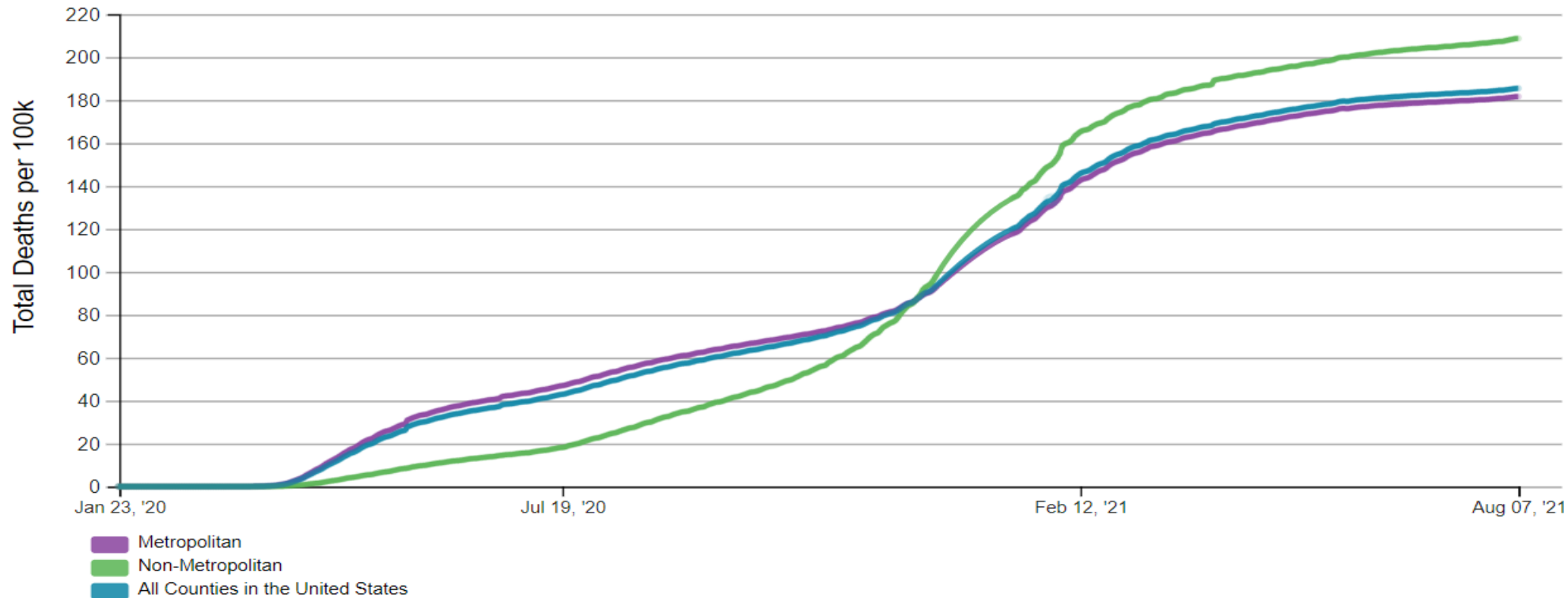
- Phase 1: Partner in Health (IL), St. Louis University (MO)
- Phase 2:
 - **IL**: Alianza Las Americas, ASI, Inc., Heartland Alliance Health, Latino Alzheimers and Memory Disorders Alliance, Saint Anthony Hospital, Sinai Health System
 - **MO**: Missouri Bootheel Regional Consortium (MO), St. Louis University (MO)



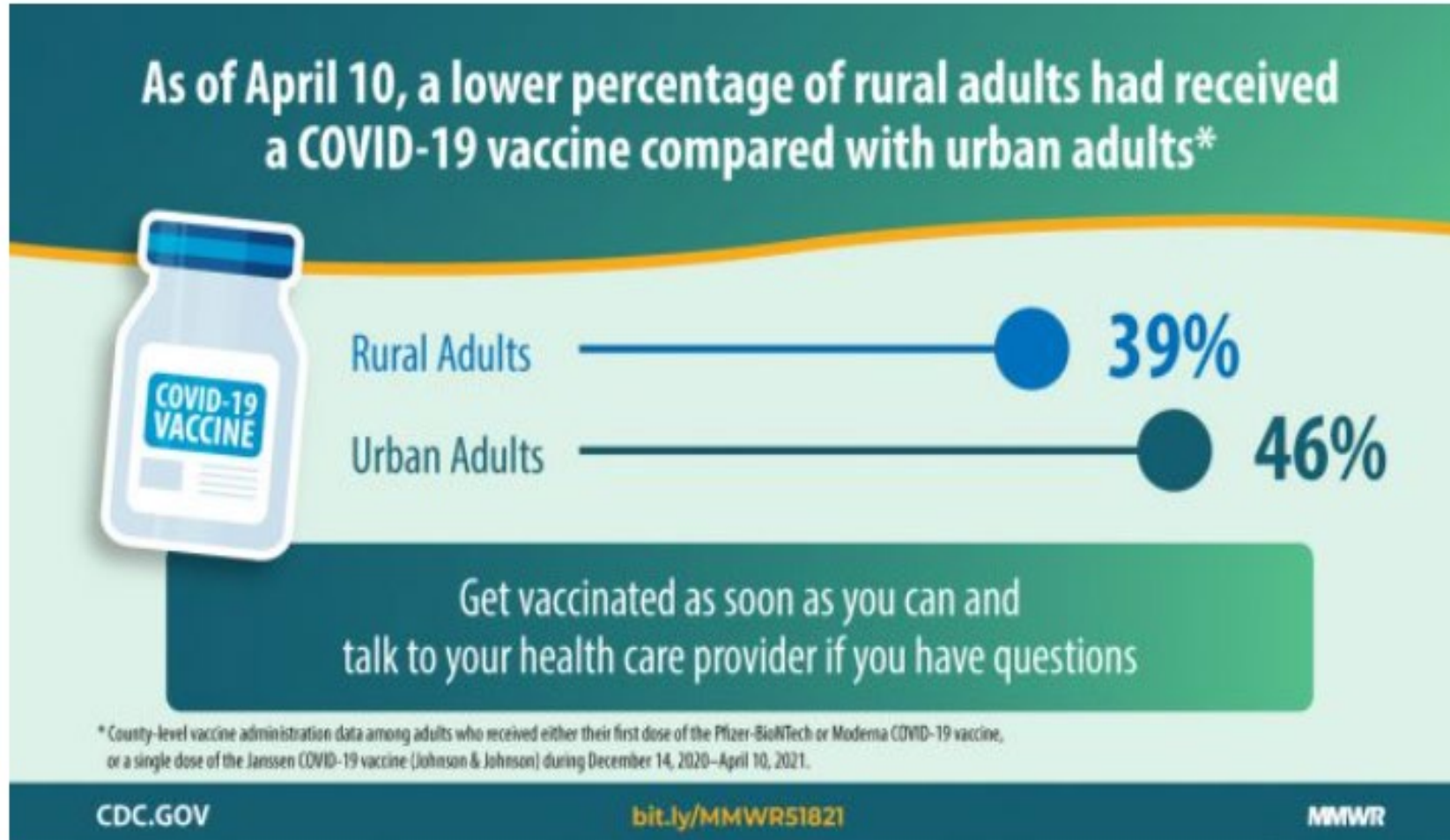
COVID-19 Cumulative Death Rate

(Metro vs. Non-Metro Counties)

COVID-19 Cumulative Death Rate per 100,000 Population in United States, by Metro vs. Non-Metro



Disparities in COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Between Urban and Rural Counties



HRSA COVID-19 Health Equity Efforts



Expanding COVID-19 Response in Rural Communities through Rural Health Clinics (RHCs)

- Strengthen vaccine allocation and confidence as well as expand COVID-19 testing and mitigation in rural and underserved communities through RHCs
 - Rural Health Clinic COVID-19 Testing and Mitigation (RHCCTM) Program
 - Rural Health Clinic Vaccine Distribution (RHCVD) Program
 - Rural Health Clinic Vaccine Confidence (RHCVC) Program



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COVID-19 Uninsured Program

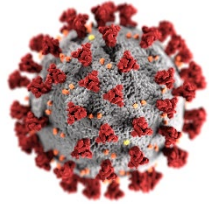
- Provides claims reimbursement to health care providers for testing, treatment, and vaccine administration for uninsured individuals
 - As of September 13, 2021, over **2,765 providers** in **Missouri and Illinois** have received over **\$831.1 million** in reimbursements for testing and treatment for uninsured population
 - Testing: \$675,076,755 | Treatment: \$156,100,917
- Over **15 million claims** have been paid to health care providers nationally for administering COVID-19 vaccines to uninsured individuals

COVID-19 Coverage Assistance Fund

- Covers the costs of administering COVID-19 vaccines to underinsured patients



HRSA COVID-19 Funding in Illinois



**COVID-19 Award:
\$5.26 Billion**



**Provider Relief Fund:
\$5.93 Billion**

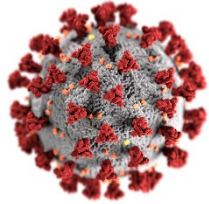


**RHC Testing Fund:
\$14.29 Million**



**Uninsured Relief Fund:
\$667.27 Million**

HRSA COVID-19 Funding in Missouri



**COVID-19 Award:
\$2.58 Billion**



**Provider Relief Fund:
\$2.33 Billion**



**RHC Testing Fund:
\$15.04 Million**



**Uninsured Relief Fund:
\$259.56 Million**

Additional Funding



- **\$25.5 billion in new funding**

- **\$17 billion** for **Provider Relief Fund Phase 4** payments for a broad range of providers who can document revenue loss and expenses associated with the pandemic
- **\$8.5 billion** from the American Rescue Plan **for providers who serve rural Medicaid, CHIP, or Medicare patients**



- Providers will apply for both programs with a single application

- **Application portal opens on Wednesday, September 29**

- For more information:

- **HHS Press Release:** <https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2021/09/10/hhs-announces-the-availability-of-25-point-5-billion-in-covid-19-provider-funding.html>
- [Provider Relief Fund Phase 3: Payment Calculation Methodology](#)
- [Information on the Application Process and Eligibility Requirements](#)
- [PRF Reporting Requirements](#)

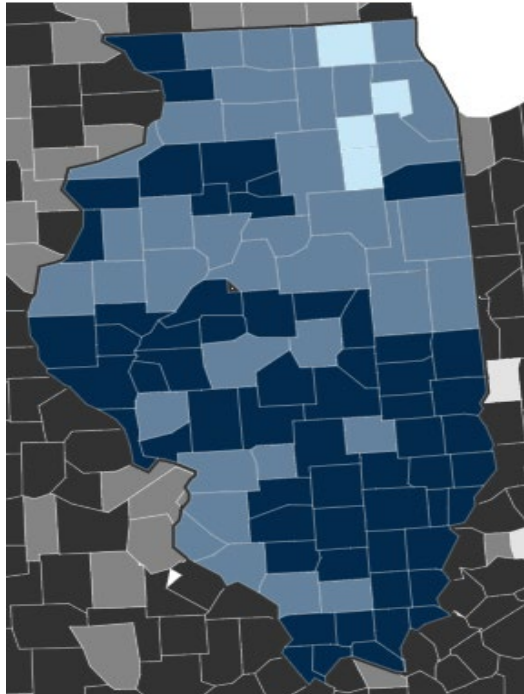


Health Workforce

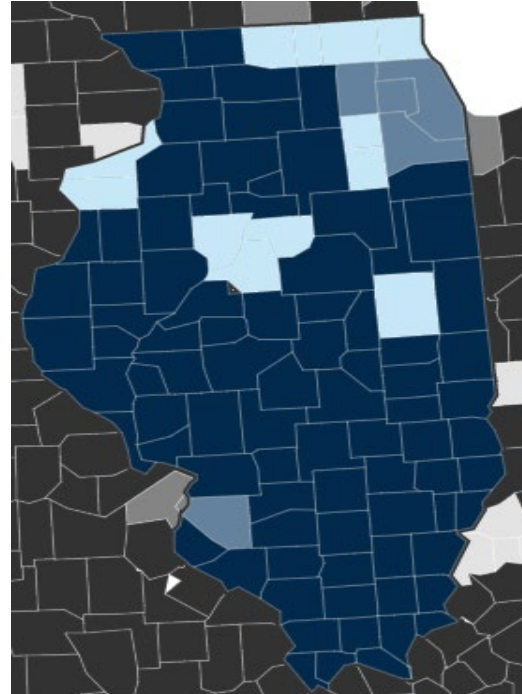


Health Professional Shortage Areas in Illinois

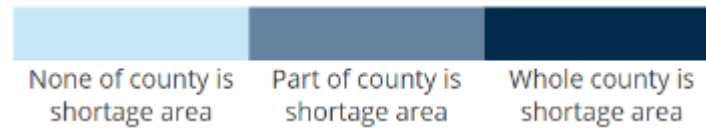
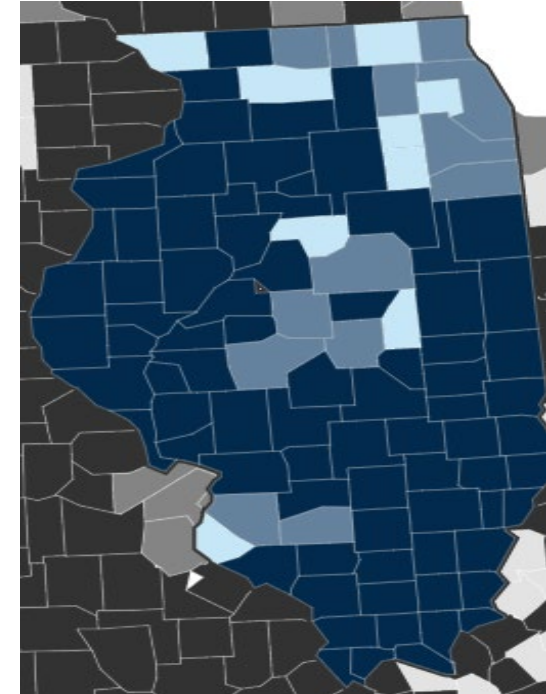
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Mental Health



Dental Health

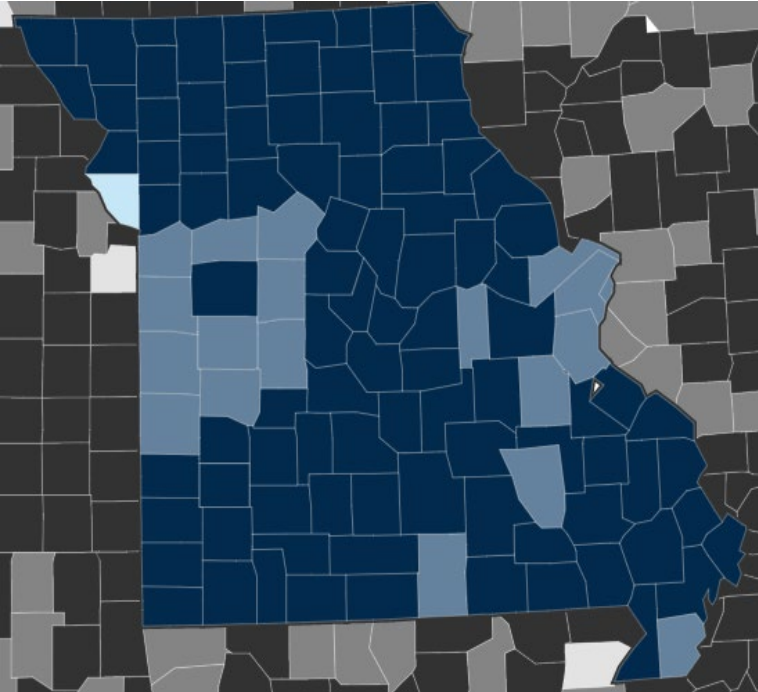


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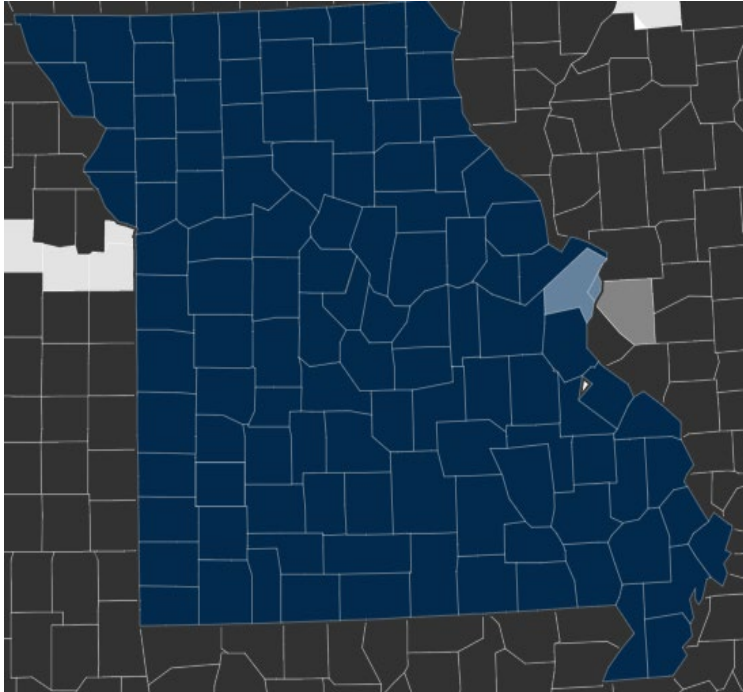


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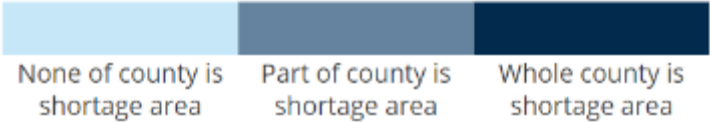
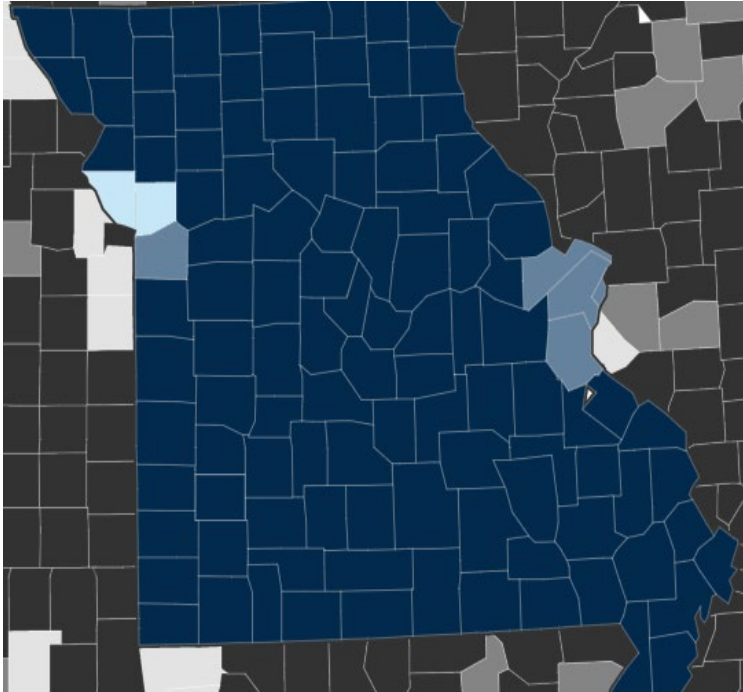
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National Health Service Corps and Nurse Corps



- Supports scholarships and loan repayments for more than 17,700 clinicians in exchange for service in high-need areas.

- **National Health Service Corps (NHSC)** currently supports primary care medical, dental, and behavioral health providers (including substance use disorder disciplines), and health professions students.



CURRENT AND FORTHCOMING
Aug 31-Nov 4, 2021

- **NHSC Students to Service LRP**
Late 2021
- **NHSC Loan Repayment Program (LRP)**
- **NHSC Substance Use Disorder Workforce LRP**
- **NHSC Rural Community LRP**
- **Nurse Corps LRP**

<https://bhw.hrsa.gov/>



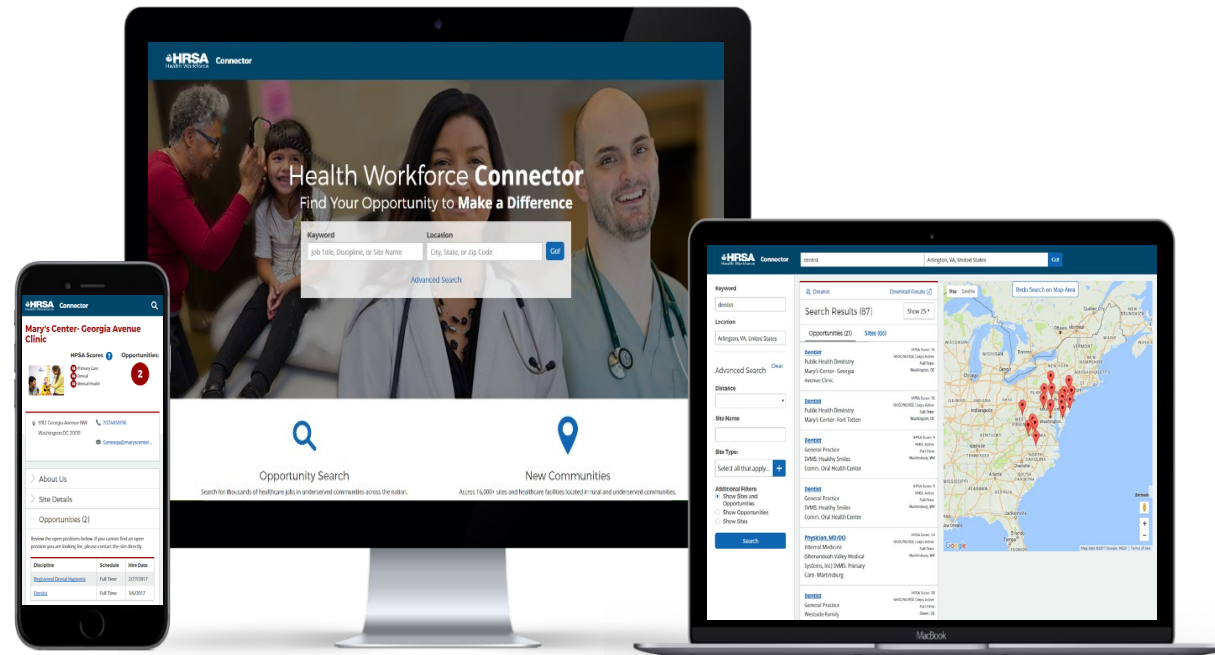
- **Nurse Corps** currently supports licensed registered nurses, nursing students, and nurse faculty.

- NHSC and Nurse Corps clinicians provide care to more than 18 million people nationwide in rural and other high need areas.



Health Workforce Connector

Connecting Skilled Health Professionals to Communities In Need



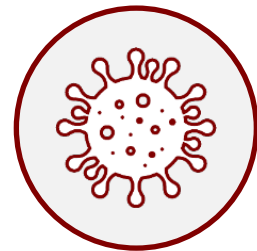
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COVID-19 and Provider Burnout



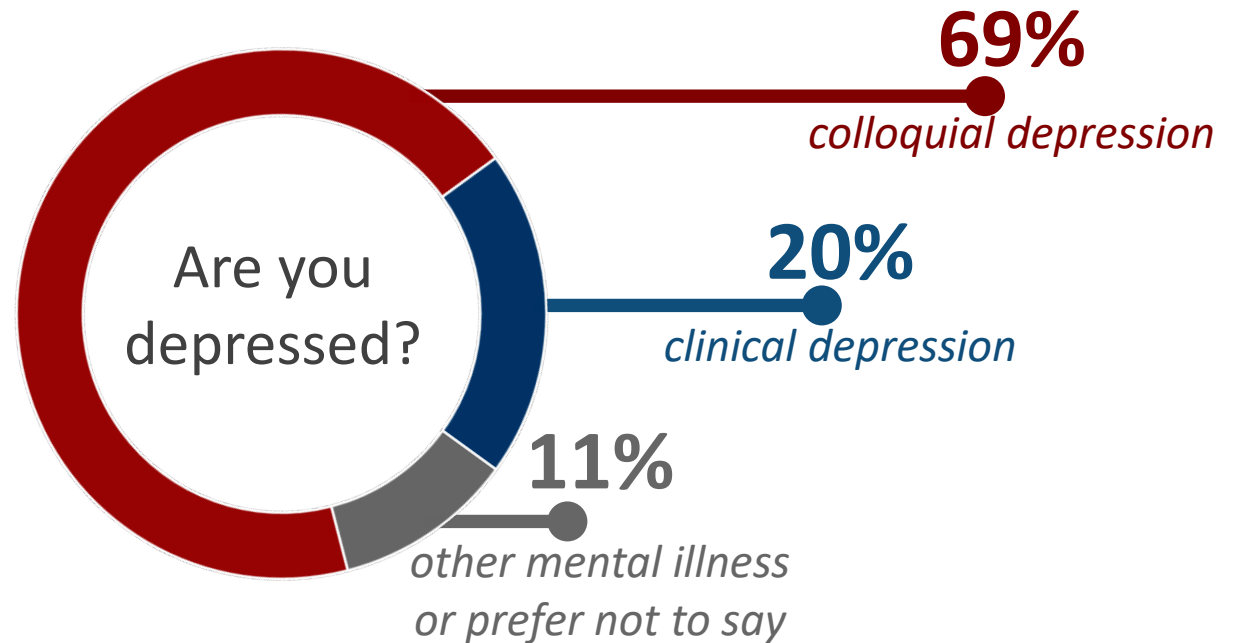
Rates of
burnout



35-54%
in 2019

vs.

76%
in Sept 2020



Physician Burnout & Moral Injury: The Hidden Health Care Crisis (Infographic)
<https://nihcm.org/publications/physician-burnout-suicide-the-hidden-health-care-crisis>

Workforce Resilience



\$103 million from the **American Rescue Plan** to specifically address provider wellness and resilience

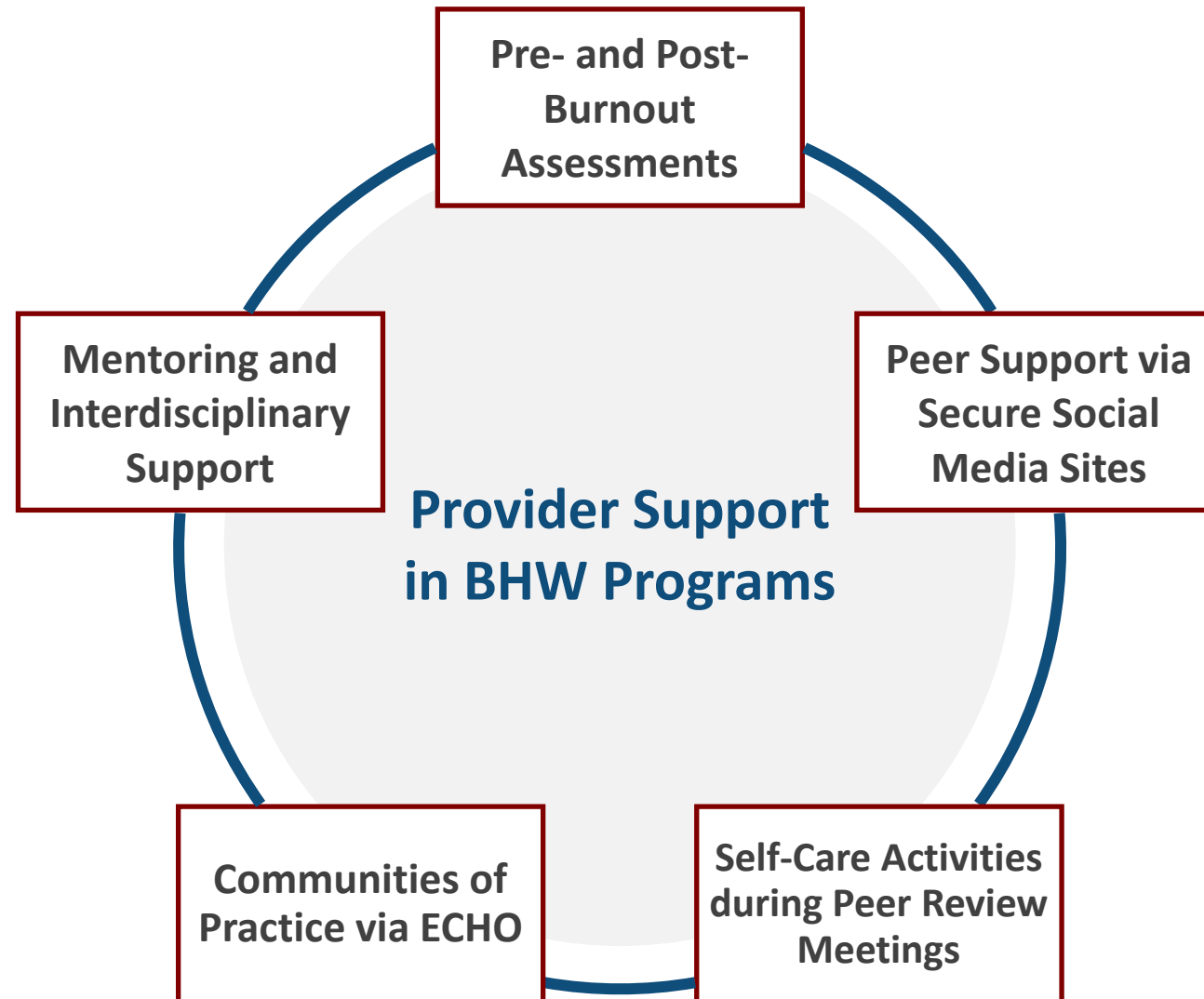


PROGRAMS: CLOSING SEPTEMBER 20

- Workforce Resiliency Training
- Promoting Health Workforce Provider Resilience and Wellness
- Workforce Resiliency Technical Assistance Center



Provider Wellness Program Models

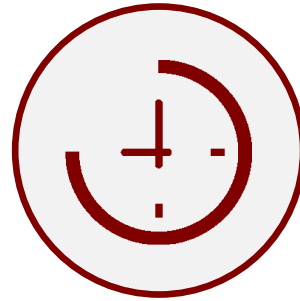


Provider Wellness Examples -

Primary Care Training and Enhancement Program



**Instructional
materials in
self-management**



**Course time to
develop and implement
self-care plans**



**Wellness retreat
on burnout and
resilience**

Teaching Health Center Graduate Medical Education

THE THCGME PROGRAM

supports primary care medical and dental residency programs at community-based sites.

FY 2021

THCGME BASE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN
\$126.5 M + \$330 M



AY 2019-2020

Residents trained in primary care settings	99%+
Residents trained in rural and/or medically underserved communities	93%
Training sites in medically underserved communities	59%
Family medicine residencies	64%
Plan to practice in primary care	60%



American Rescue Plan: Teaching Health Centers



\$76 M

American Rescue Plan

Closed August 30

- Teaching Health Center Planning and Development Program [50]
- Teaching Health Center Planning and Development Technical Assistance [1]

Closing September 21

- Teaching Health Center Graduate Medical Education New and Expanded Residency Program [85]

[#] = number of awards expected





Rural Health Funding

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HRSA fulfills its mission through grants and cooperative agreements.
A **grant** is money, property, or direct help we award to a qualified non-federal entity (NFE).
A **cooperative agreement** is like a grant in that we award money to NFEs. However, we also help with program activities.

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Title	Announcement Number	Program Category	Status	Application Deadline
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Funding Opportunities

Forecast

Opportunity Title	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Rural Health Network Development*		NOFO Available Summer 2022 Project Period Start 7/1/2023	
Rural Health Network Development Planning	NOFO Available Fall 2021 Project Period Start 7/1/2022	NOFO Available Summer 2022 Project Period Start 7/1/2023	NOFO Available Summer 2023 Project Period Start 7/1/2024
Small Health Care Provider Quality Improvement*	NOFO Available Fall 2021 Project Period Start 8/1/2022		
Delta States Rural Development Network*		NOFO Available Summer 2022 Project Period Start 8/1/2023	

**Under the 2020 CARES Act 330A Programs were reauthorized and beginning in fiscal year 2021 this program will be competed every four years.*



Funding Opportunities

Forecast

Opportunity Title	FY 2022
Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Implementation	NOFO Available Est. Post Date: 11/18/21 Project Period Start 9/1/2022
Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Technical Assistance	NOFO Available Est. Post Date: 12/08/21 Project Period Start 9/1/2022
Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Psychostimulant Support	NOFO Available Est. Post Date: 01/12/2022 Project Period Start 9/1/2022
Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Mental and Behavioral Health	NOFO Available Est. Post Date: 12/17/2021 Project Period Start 9/1/2022
Rural Residency Planning and Development Program	NOFO Available Est. Post Date: 10/19/2021 Project Period Start 8/1/2022



<https://www.hrsa.gov/rural-health/rcorp>



Rural Health Grants Eligibility Analyzer

Health Resources & Services Administration

data.HRSA.gov

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Find Health Care Data Maps **Tools** Topics Help

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Rural Health Grants Eligibility Analyzer

Health care providers who are located in geographic areas that are defined as Rural are eligible to apply for Rural Health Grants. Enter an address or choose a state and county to check for eligibility status.

BY ADDRESS BY STATE/COUNTY

Search Criteria

Please provide a street address, city, and state or a street address and ZIP Code.

Street Address:
Address

City:
City

State/Territory:
State/Territory

ZIP Code:
ZIP Code

Search Reset

For more information, contact the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy at 301-443-0835, or see:

- Federal Office of Rural Health Policy
- National listing of eligible counties and census tracts **PDF** (92 KB)
- Definition of Rural Areas





HRSA-Funded Rural Technical Resources

Center for Optimizing Rural Health

- Works with hospitals, communities, partners, and other stakeholders to design and implement evidence-based, unique, and sustainable solutions to remove the barriers that prevent many communities from accessing quality health care
- Three types of support: on-site, remote facilitated assistance, and self-directed access to best practices, resources and tools
 - **Vulnerable Rural Hospitals Assistance Program:** Provides targeted in-depth assistance to vulnerable rural hospitals within communities struggling to maintain health care services. *(yearly cohorts serving 5 hospitals onsite and 25 virtually)*
- Website: <https://optimizingruralhealth.org>



National Rural Health Resource Center

- Provides technical assistance, information, tools and resources for the improvement of rural health care
- Focuses on five core areas:
 - Transition to Value and Population Health
 - Collaboration and Partnership
 - Performance Improvement
 - Health Information Technology
 - Workforce
- Example of current projects/programs:
 - **Rural Health Care Provider Transition Project:** Designed to help strengthen value-based care (VBC) for health care organizations by building recipients' foundation for VBC in efficiency, quality, patient experience, and safety of care
- Website: <https://www.ruralcenter.org/>



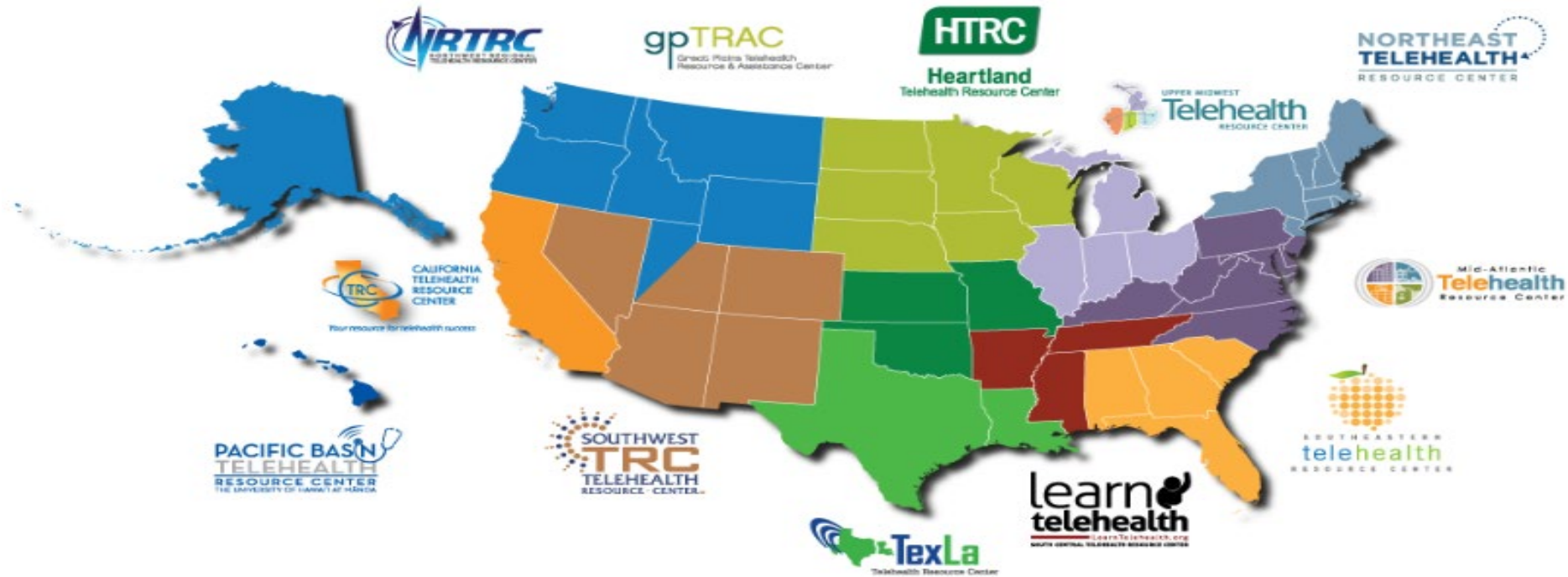
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RURAL HEALTH
RESOURCE CENTER



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Telehealth Resource Centers (TRCs)

TelehealthResourceCenters.org






2 National Resource Centers

NRTRC	gpTRAC	NETRC
CTRC	HTRC	UMTRC
SWTRC	SCTR	MATRC
PBTRC	TexLa	SETRC

12 Regional Resource Centers



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Telehealth: Health care from the safety of our homes.

Whether you're a patient looking for medical care, or a doctor who provides it, telehealth keeps us connected — even while social distancing during COVID-19.

Explore telehealth resources and tips for providers and patients.

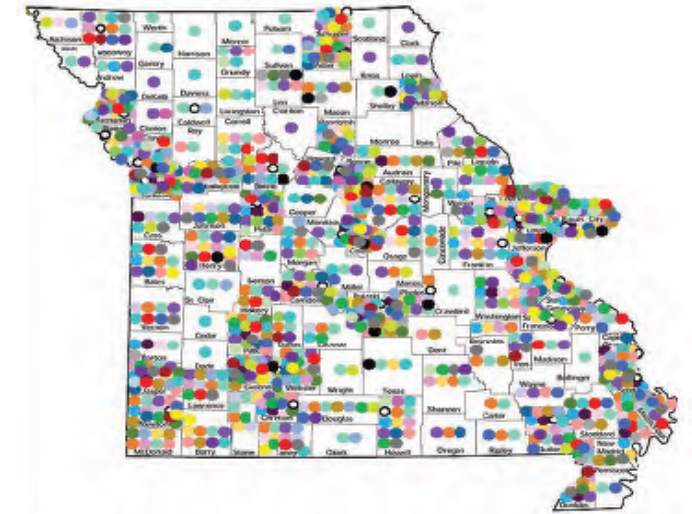


Project ECHO

- Low-cost, high-impact intervention is accomplished by linking inter-disciplinary specialist teams with multiple primary care clinicians through teleECHO™ clinics
- Experts mentor and share their expertise across a virtual network via case-based learning, enabling primary care clinicians to treat patients with complex conditions in their own communities
- Project ECHOs in Your State:
 - **Illinois:** [SIU School of Medicine, ECHO-Chicago](#)
 - **Missouri:** [Missouri Telehealth Network](#)



ECHOing Across Missouri
2020 Participant Locations
112 Counties/St. Louis City



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|------------------------------|---|
| ● Asthma | ● HIV |
| ● Asthma Care Accelerator | ● Hypertension |
| ● Asthma Care & Education | ● Kidney Disease |
| ● Autism | ● Managing Hospitals & Patients in a Pandemic |
| ● Autism Behavior Solutions | ● Missouri Moms & Babies |
| ● Certified Peer Specialist | ● Mothers, Infants & NAS |
| ● Child Psych | ● MTSS |
| ● Community Health Worker | ● Nursing Home |
| ● COVID-19 | ● Opioid Use Disorder |
| ● COVID-19 & Kids | ● Oral Health |
| ● Dermatology | ● Pain Management |
| ● Developmental Disabilities | ● Pediatric Sleep |
| ● Diabetes | ● Telemedicine/Telemedicine Behavioral Health |
| ● Foot Preservation | ● Trauma Informed Schools |
| ● Head Start | ● Viral Hepatitis & Fatty Liver |



Rural Health Information Hub (RHIhub)

- **Nation's rural health information source**
 - Online library
 - Funding opportunities
 - 50+ topic guides on key rural health issues
 - State guides
 - Toolkits and model programs
 - much more!
- **Sign-up for email updates and custom alerts**
- **Customized assistance**
 - By phone: 1.800.270.1898
 - By email: info@ruralhealthinfo.org



www.ruralhealthinfo.org/

Rural Health Research Gateway

- **Free online library with access to research from all eleven federally-funded Rural Health Research Centers**
- Use the library to find:
 - rural health research products and journal articles
 - information about the research centers
 - information about individual researchers
 - current research center projects
 - much more!



www.ruralhealthresearch.org

Clinician Consultation Center



- Monday-Friday
- 9 am - 8 pm EST
- Some weekends/holidays
- All services are **FREE!**

<http://nccc.ucsf.edu/>

HIV/AIDS Care Consultation

(800) 933-3413

Perinatal HIV Consultation

(888) 448-8765

Hepatitis C Consultation

(844) 437-4636

Substance Use Consultation

(855) 300-3595

Pre-Exposure/PrEP Consultation

(855) 448-7737

Post-Exposure/PEP Consultation

(888) 448-4911

You may also contact our clinicians online.

Rural Community Opioid Response Programs

RCORP-TA Portal

The Portal includes:

- Upcoming Events
- Webinars
- Toolkits
- Videos
- Resource Guides
- Manuals and Briefs
- Trainings
- Funding Opportunities
- Grantee Contacts

<https://www.rcorp-ta.org/>

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Welcome to the RCORP-TA Resource Portal!

The Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP) is a multi-year initiative by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) aimed at reducing the morbidity and mortality of substance use disorder (SUD), including opioid use disorder (OUD), in rural communities at the highest risk for SUD.

This portal allows grantees to request technical assistance, find nearby grantees or grantees with a similar focus and access a repository of resources tailored to support RCORP Grantees.

Upcoming Events

State Data Approaches to Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome
September 16, 2021
10:00–11:30 am EDT

Re-Welcome Webinar: RCORP-Implementation I, Implementation II and MAT Expansion
September 21, 2021
2:00–3:00 pm EDT

[View more events](#)



Rural Community Toolbox

The **Rural Community Toolbox** provides access to:

- Federal funding opportunities
- Cross-sector resources
- Community assessment tools
- Data and mapping tools

<https://www.ruralcommunitytoolbox.org>

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Rural Community Toolbox. At the top left is a red toolbox icon with tools inside. The title "Rural Community Toolbox:" is followed by the subtitle "FUNDING & TOOLS TO BUILD HEALTHY DRUG-FREE RURAL COMMUNITIES". On the top right, there are links for "ABOUT THIS SITE" and "CONTACT", and a search bar with a magnifying glass icon. Below the header is a dark blue navigation bar with white text for "STARTING POINTS", "FUNDING", "TREATMENT & SERVICES", "INFORMATION RESOURCES", "EXPERT HELP & TRAINING", "COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT", and "RURAL COMMUNITY ACTION GUIDE". The main content area features a background image of a town street with a red car and a "HARDWARE" sign. A white text box on the right says "Rural Community Toolbox Welcome to the Rural Community Toolbox where you can find resources to address substance use disorder (SUD) and the opioid crisis." with a yellow "Learn More" button. Below this is a quote: "Federal resources that can help rural communities become strong, healthy, prosperous, and resilient places to live and work." and a search dropdown menu labeled "I am looking for" with "Select an Option" as the default selection. At the bottom, there are four icons representing "Funding" (dollar sign), "Treatment and Services" (two people), "Information on SUD and Opioids" (letter 'i'), and "Expert Help and Training" (group of people). Each icon has a brief description of the resources available.

Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Toolkit

- **Step-by-step IPV Toolkit** tailored for health centers and other providers
- Use the IPV Toolkit to:
 - build partnerships,
 - adopt evidence-based interventions,
 - promote patient education around IPV, and
 - improve long-term health and safety outcomes for women and their families.
- To learn more: <https://ipvhealth.org/>



IPV Health Partners

Approximately 1 in 4 U.S. women and 1 in 7 U.S. men experience intimate partner violence (IPV) within their life. The health consequences of IPV can be severe. Health centers are in a unique position to help.

Using ipvhealthpartners.org, health centers can:

- ① **Build** partnerships
- ② **Prepare** your practice
- ③ **Adopt** the evidence-based intervention
- ④ **Train** providers and all staff
- ⑤ **Evaluate** and sustain your progress

Using ipvhealthpartners.org, health centers can:

- ① **Build** partnerships
- ② **Prepare** your practice
- ③ **Adopt** the evidence-based intervention
- ④ **Train** providers and all staff
- ⑤ **Evaluate** and sustain your progress

A virtual step-by-step toolkit to address intimate partner violence
ipvhealthpartners.org

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The Hub centralizes and extends the reach of HRSA's training and technical assistance resources. It can also further the impact of our grantees and non-grantees.

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HHS COVID-19 Public Education Campaign



We Can Do This

HHS COVID-19 Public Education Campaign

- National initiative working hand-in-hand with trusted leaders and community organizations to continue to build confidence in COVID-19 vaccines and get more people vaccinated
- Offers tailored resources and toolkits for stakeholders to use to provide COVID-19 vaccine information to at-risk populations
- Vaccine Hesitancy Map
Explore vaccine hesitancy estimates by county
- <https://wecandothis.hhs.gov/>



Join the COVID-19 Community Corps

- You can help beat COVID-19 by encouraging friends, family, and your community to get vaccinated
- Receive tips, tools, and resources to share
 - For example:
 - [Vaccine Confidence Presentation for Latino Audiences](#)
 - [Immunity in Our Community Podcast](#)
- Regular email updates with the latest vaccine news and resources to share
- Social media content to share with your followers
- To join: <https://wecandothis.hhs.gov/covidcommunitycorps>



COVID-19 and Health Equity



- [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Resources for Community-Based Workforce Outreach Awardees](#): This HRSA resource page includes vaccine information, toolkits, tailored resources, and recent COVID-19 data sources.
- The **National Forum on COVID-19 Vaccine** has a variety of materials and resources supporting equitable vaccine engagement and community-based partnerships, including information on:
 - [Equitable Vaccine Implementation](#)
 - [Engaging Community-Based Organizations to be Vaccination Partners](#)
 - [Increasing Vaccine Confidence through Communication and Community Engagement](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Confidence Tools and Technical Assistance](#)
- [CDC Communication Resources](#)
- [C2C COVID-19 Resources](#): CMS OMH developed resources on COVID-19 and health coverage available in eight languages
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Communication Toolkit for Rural Communities](#): Easy access to customizable communication templates that include print ads, poster, brochure, social media posts, and an online resource guide.
- [Health Equity During COVID-19: Top Strategies for an Equity-Focused Recovery Strategy](#)
- [Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security Equity in Vaccination: A Plan to Work with Communities](#)
- [OMH Advancing the Response to COVID-19: Sharing Promising Programs and Practices for Racial and Ethnic Minority Populations](#)



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