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## Hawai'i Primary Care Association

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### An Overview of Community Health Centers

#### Community Health Centers (CHCs) are:

- The provider of choice for 110,000 Hawai'i residents.
- The safety-net for people with economic, geographic, or cultural barriers to care.
- Exemplars of the high quality, cost-effective "health care home" model, which features
  - An on-going relationship between patient and primary care provider, which greatly improves the early identification and treatment of problems.
  - Integration of care to reduce fragmentation and duplication.
  - Accessibility.
- Community-based nonprofit corporations.

CHCs provide dental care, one of greatest unmet needs for children with Medicaid coverage.

CHCs provide behavioral health care, a service not readily available to the underserved and greatly needed since behavioral problems are co-existent with many physical ills.

#### CHCs save Hawai'i millions of dollars per year:

- \$43 million for Medicaid
- \$29 million for uninsured
- \$47 million for privately insured

CHCs are economic engines in underserved areas and help stabilize populations by providing services and jobs.

		Direct CHC Output	Expanded Output
Statewide	Financial Activity	\$93.5 million	\$186.1 million
	Jobs Supported	1,124	1,911
Hawaii Co.	Financial Activity	\$15.2 million	\$30.2 million
	Jobs Supported	164	310
Maui Co.	Financial Activity	\$9.3 million	\$18.4 million
	Jobs Supported	99	189
Kauai Co.	Financial Activity	\$6.4 million	\$12.7 million
	Jobs Supported	70	130
Honolulu Co.	Financial Activity	\$62.7 million	\$124.8 million
	Jobs Supported	791	1282