



30th Annual Midwest Stream Forum for Agricultural Worker Health March 2022

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Hay Que Celebrar...

Migrant Health Program's

60th Anniversary 1962 – 2022



THE NACHC MISSION

America's Voice for Community Health Care

The National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) was founded in 1971 to promote efficient, high quality, comprehensive health care that is accessible, culturally and linguistically competent, community directed, and patient centered for all.



PARA DONDE VAMOS....



NACHC STRATEGIC PILLARS

1



Equity and Social Justice

Center everything we do in a continued and intensified commitment to equity and social justice

2



Empowered Infrastructure

Strengthen and reinforce the infrastructure for leading and coordinating the community health center movement, notably consumer boards and NACHC itself

3



Skilled and Mission-driven Workforce

Develop a highly skilled, adaptive, and mission-driven workforce reflecting the communities served

4



Reliable and Sustainable Funding

Secure reliable and sustainable funding to meet increasing demands for community health center services

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Improved Care Models

Update and improve care models to meet the evolving needs of the communities served

6



Supportive Partnerships

Cultivate new and strengthen existing mutually beneficial partnerships to advance the shared mission of improving community health



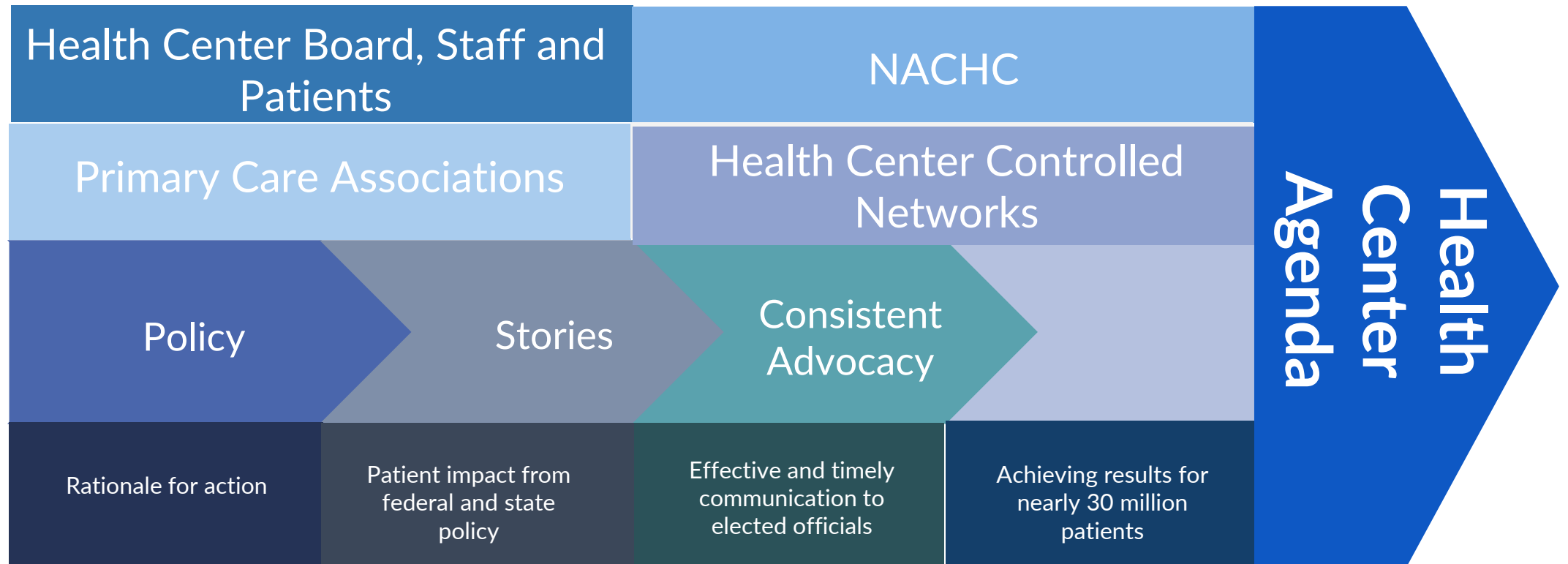
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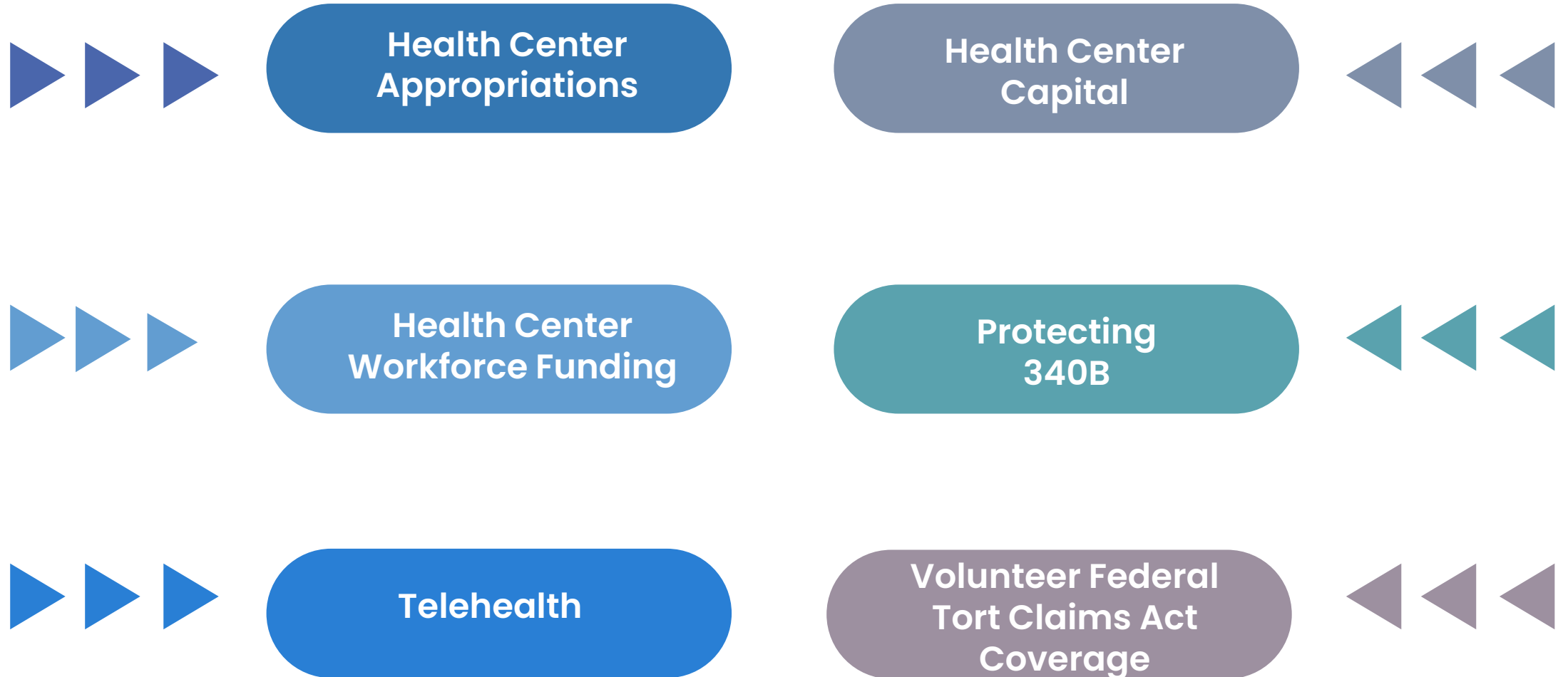
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NACHC's Formula for Getting Results in Washington



NACHC's Legislative Agenda



**Congress passed the FY22
Government Funding bill on
Friday, March 11, 2022**

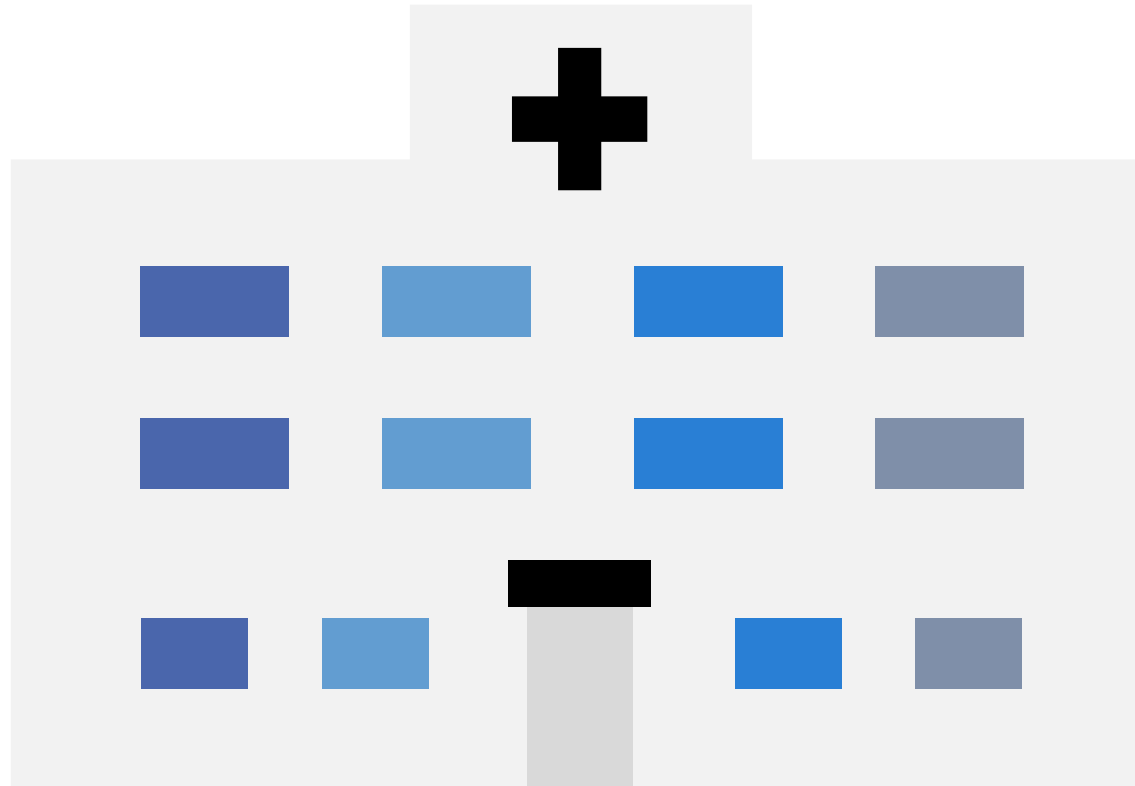
**Included a \$65 million
increase to the Health
Center Program.**

- Includes **\$1.748 billion for CHCs**
 - Specific increases for School-Based Health Centers, Ending HIV Epidemic, and new cancer screening program
- Includes language extending all existing Medicare health center **telehealth flexibilities** past the PHE for 151 days
- Includes increases in **funding for CHC primary care workforce** programs

Health Center Capital

Capital Link Study

- 2021 study found health center capital needs are \$17.5 billion over 5 years.
- Nearly all (97%) Health Centers have at least one capital project planned to build, expand, or renovate their facilities to take care of patients.
- The top planned projects would boost medical, mental health, and oral health services to patients.



Build Back Better Act

- President Biden's signature legislation was passed by the House last year.
- It included \$2 billion for Health Center (both 330 grantees and Look-alikes) Capital funding.
- Concerns around inflation and spending has led to delays in Senate consideration, so the scope of the bill may change.

Supporting the Health Center Workforce of Today and Tomorrow

American Rescue Plan Funding

Legislation included \$1.3 billion for the National Health Service Corps (NHSC), Nurse Corps and Teaching Health Center Graduate Medical Education (THCGME)

Research

Upcoming NACHC survey found that nearly 70% of health centers have seen 5-25% of health center staff leave over the past 6 months



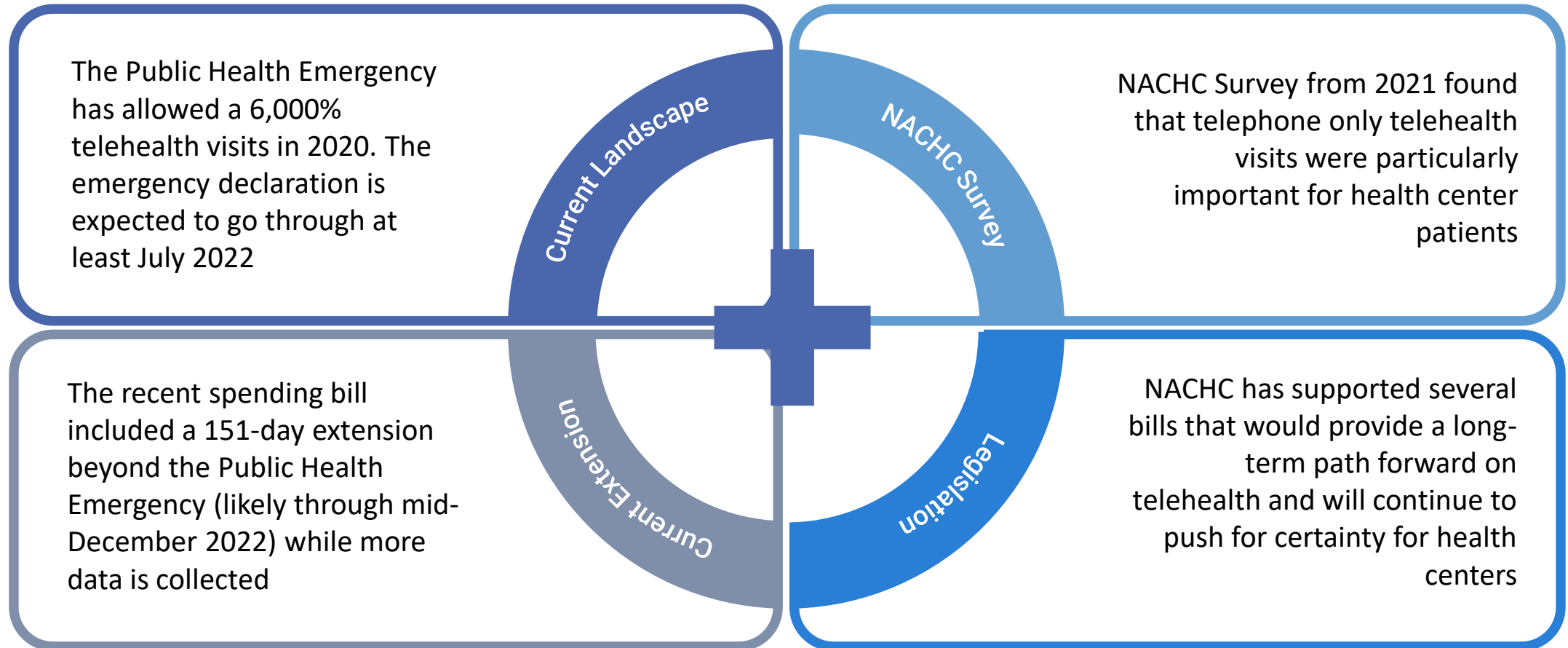
Build Back Better Act

The House passed bill included a total of \$5.87 billion for primary care workforce programs – NHSC, Nurse Corps and THCGME

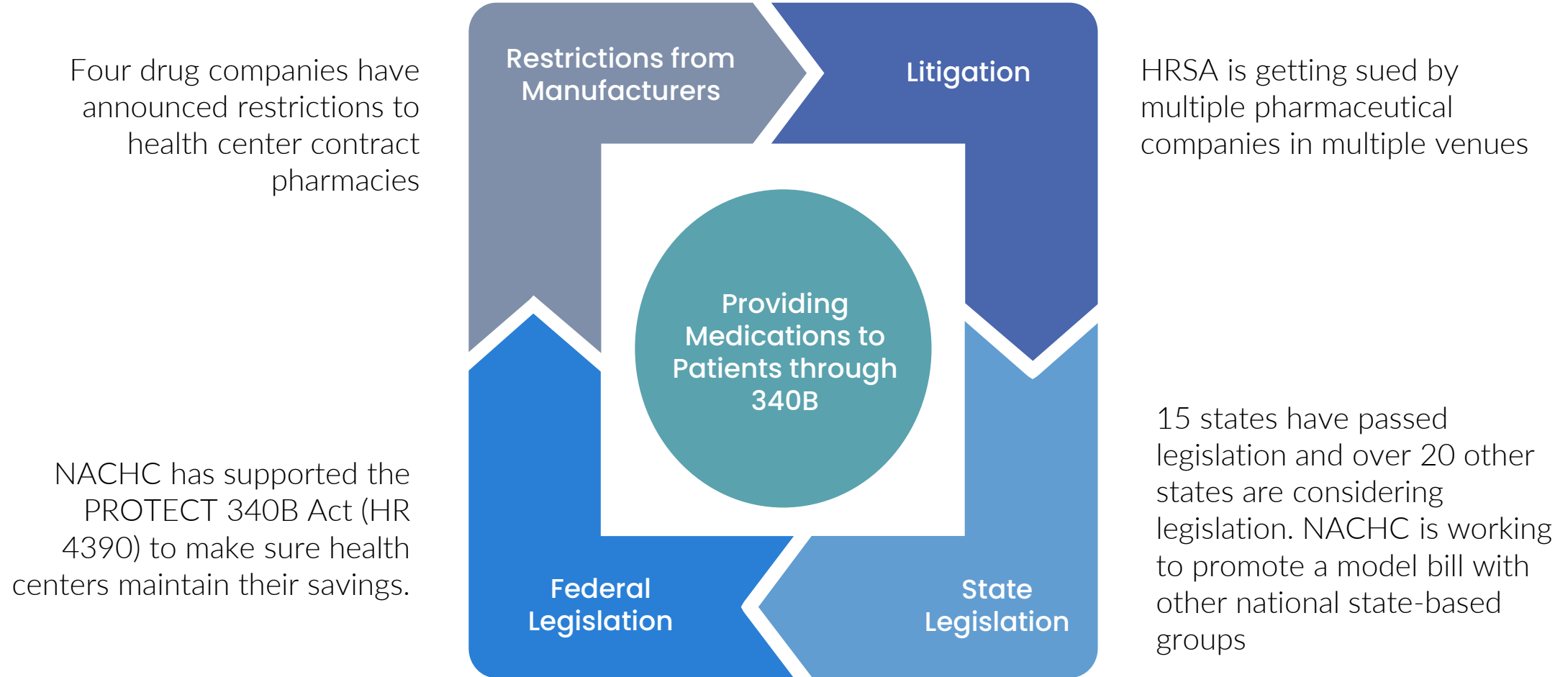
Biden Plan to Increase Behavioral Health Capacity

The upcoming budget is expected to invest \$700 million in programs that provide training, to mental health and substance use disorder clinicians.

Telehealth



Protecting Access to 340B



Federal Tort Claims Act Volunteer Coverage

FTCA Volunteer Program

Established in 2016, this program provides liability protection to over 500 volunteer clinicians at health centers



Program Reach

Over 100 health centers are utilizing this program

Program Growth

The program has doubled during the COVID-19 pandemic

Program Expiration

Authority expires at the end of September 2022

Pending Legislation

Bipartisan bills in the Senate have been introduced to permanently extend the program to help health centers

Goal:

Build, strengthen
and nurture a
community of
advocacy leaders
to...

HEALTH CENTER ADVOCACY NETWORK

Mobilize



Inspire



Equip



Invite



BUILD

Sign up today at: www.hcadvocacy.org/join

CHC Advocacy Resource Index

GRASSROOTS ADVOCACY RESOURCE INDEX

JANUARY 2022

A quick user guide to all of the
resources and tools available to our
CHC advocacy colleagues.



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Advocacy Resource Flip Book

2022 Advocacy Calendar

- Advocacy Events
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Advocacy Calendar 2022

January	February Black History Month 2: Webinar: All Advocate Pre-Conference 14-17: NACHC Policy & Issues Forum	March Women's History Month 14 - 18: Hill Week 2022 15: Webinar: What Hollywood Gets Wrong about Washington 18: Advocacy Leadership Program Spring 2022 Cohort Kickoff	April Minority Health Month
May Mental Health Awareness Month Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month 3: Webinar: Effective Meeting Follow-Up and Why it's Important	June Pride Month 28: Webinar: Stay-cation Advocacy: Hosting Site Visits for Your Federal, State and Local Officials	July Disability Pride Month 4: Independence Day	August National Immunization Awareness Month 7-13: National Health Center Week 28 - 30: Community Health Institute 2022 (CHI)
September National Recovery Month Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15 - October 15) 5: Labor Day 13: Webinar: How to Remedy Advocacy Apathy	October National Dental Hygiene Month Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15 - October 15) 8: Voter Registration Deadline in Many States	November National Diabetes Month 8: Election Day 26: Small Business Saturday 29: Webinar: Elections 2022 & Advocacy: Adapting Your Strategy Based on the Midterm Elections	December

NHCW 2022 - *Community Health Centers: The Chemistry for Strong Communities*

NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER WEEK



**Community Health Centers:
The Chemistry for Strong Communities**

Legend:


- Values
- Populations
- Enabling Services
- Services
- Innovations
- Affordability
- Mission

Co Community	Community Health Centers: The Chemistry for Strong Communities										M Medicaid
Un Unity	CC Culturally Competent					Q LGBTQ	T Transportation	Ed Education	Mc Medicare		
Ad Advocacy	Bi Bipartisan	V Veterans	Ag Ag Workers	I Immigrants	C Children	Cm Case Management	Cw Community Health Workers	Ss Sliding Scale Fee			
Cp Compassion	Op Open Door	E Equity	H Homeless	W Women's Health	S School-based	Ph Public Housing	Nu Nutrition	Ch CHIP			

AUGUST 9TH – AUGUST 15TH
www.healthcenterweek.org
[#NHCW2020](https://twitter.com/NHCW2020)

Hc Health Care	Su Substance Use	O Oral Health	Pu Public Health	Sb Small Business	Sd Social Determinants	Ns NHC
Pc Primary Care	B Behavioral Health	Pb Patient Board	Pr Prevention	Pn Partnership	Sv Cost Savings	Th Teaching Health Centers



Celebrate, Educate and Advocate

- Host Community Events
- #ValueCHCs - Amplify via Social Media
- Invite & Tag Members of Congress

**Sign up to be
part of
the Campaign!**

► www.ncfh.org/ag-worker-access.html







Today, do one little thing to
take better care of yourself
...then repeat tomorrow

Take Good Care of You
NURTURE • LISTEN • ACT



MAKE TIME
FOR
YOURSELF.
YOU ARE SO
IMPORTANT.

*Gracias/Thank You
for Caring Enough
To Make a Difference
and
For Taking Action!*

¡Si Se Puede!

Questions/Preguntas?



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