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### Health Center Program Update

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## Migrant Health Centers – Overview

- Migrant Health Centers (MHC) receive funding under section 330(g) of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, to deliver comprehensive, high quality, culturallycompetent, preventive and primary health care services to migrant and seasonal agricultural workers (MSAWs) and their families.
- Currently, 175 health centers receive over \$416 million in ongoing MHC funding to increase access to care and improve health outcomes for MSAWs and their families.
- In CY 2022, Health Center Program grantees served nearly **1 million** MSAWs of which almost **840,000** were served by MHC grantees.
  - About 30% are uninsured
  - More than 50% are female
  - 30% are children; 7% older adults

- 63% served best in a language other than English
- 60% are seasonal
- 31% are migratory

# CYs 2024 through 2025 - BPHC Strategic Goals

Increase Access, Improve Health Outcomes, Reduce Health Disparities

- Exceptional Experience Every Time: Improve customer experience and engagement\*
- 2. Data Informed Decision-making: Modernize data collection and analytics\*
- 3. Commitment to Community Care: Strengthen and streamline Health Center Program oversight
- 4. Investing for Outcomes: Maximize the impact of the Health Center Program
- 5. BPHC Today and Tomorrow: Invest in BPHC's future leaders

# UDS+ Patient-Level Data Reporting

#### UDS+ is...

 De-identified patient level data electronically via Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR)

#### **UDS+** does not...

- Collect full copies of data directly from patients' electronic medical records
- Collect any patient identifiers

#### **UDS+ Patient-Level Data will...**

- Articulate the unique characteristics and complexity of health center patients' health care needs
- Illustrate the breadth and depth of health center services and their impact on health outcomes
- Inform training, technical assistance, research and evaluation, and health equity work
- Inform investments and interventions based on trends identified in patient-level data (e.g., targeted needs of specific communities/patients, social determinants of health)

### NEW: FTCA Program Assistance Letters (PALs)

# Updated Temporary Credentialing and Privileging (C&P) Procedures (PAL 2024-01)

- Clarifies processes for temporary C&P and details procedures and guidelines for use during declared emergencies or emergency situations.
- Expect that the changes will expedite the credentialing and privileging of health care professionals.
- Support swift and effective response during a crisis, and ensure that communities receive high-quality health care services without interruption.

# Expedited Volunteer Health Professional (VHP) Emergency Application Process and System (PAL 2024-02)

- Launching a new streamlined VHP Emergency Application process this summer.
- New <u>PAL 2024-02</u> outlines the procedures for health centers impacted by emergencies to submit an application.
- Will help to quickly onboard volunteers and strengthen response efforts.
- Will release a supplemental Federal Tort
   Claims Act (FTCA) Emergency Resource Guide within the next few weeks.

# FY 2024 Funding Outlook

#### **FY 2024/25 Mandatory Funding**

- Approximately \$5.345 billion for 15 months (10/1/2023 to 12/31/2024)
- Awaiting final decisions on award actions and timing

#### **FY 2024 Discretionary Funding**

- No increase approximately \$1.8 billion
- Maintains FY 2023 targeted investments for
  - ✓ Primary Care HIV Prevention,
  - ✓ Early Childhood Development
  - ✓ School-Based Service Expansion
- New investment for Cancer Screening

# FY 2025 President's Budget: Primary Care

The FY 2025 Budget includes \$8.2 billion for health centers, an increase of \$2.4 billion.

Extends and increases mandatory funding, serving 37.4 million patients, with increased investments for FY 2025:

- >\$700 million to expand access to comprehensive services in all health centers, expanding access to medical care, behavioral health, and oral health care
- >\$200 million to provide patient support and enabling services
- >\$100 million to recruit, retain, and grow the health center workforce
- >\$50 million for high quality, patient-centered maternal health services, including behavioral health services
- >\$50 million to expand access to street medicine services, increasing street outreach and patient support services for homeless populations

# Questions?



### Thank You!

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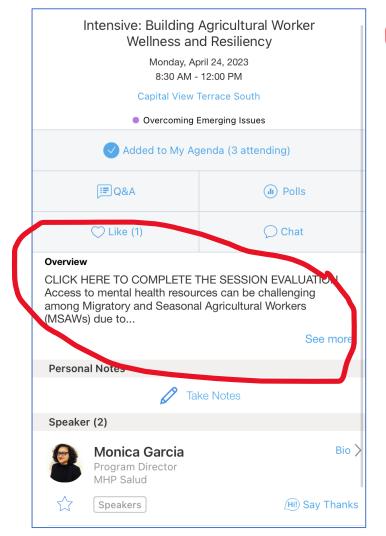




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Access to mental health resources can be mallenging among Migratory and Seasonal Agricultural Workers (MSAWs) due to varied cultural conceptions of mental illness that can also limit their access to mental health care. The Community Resiliency Model (CRM) aims to help create trauma-informed and resiliency-focused communities that share a common understanding of the impact of trauma and chronic stress on the nervous system and how resiliency can be restored or increased using this skills-based approach. This interactive workshop will provide health center staff and Community Health Workers (CHWs) who work with MSAW populations with information and resources to promote self-care, community resiliency, and access to mental health well-being. Participants will practice the core CRM wellness skills: (1) Tracking, (2) Grounding, (3) Resourcing, (4) Gesturing, (5) Shift & Stay and (6) Help Now! - used to bring our bodies, mind, and spirit back into a state of balance. Participants will also have the opportunity to engage in peer-to-peer discussions on mental health concerns and address how these wellness skills can be made accessible to MSAWs and their families to build and restore resiliency.

Learning Objectives:



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