Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics

NATIONAL COUNCIL for Mental Wellbeing

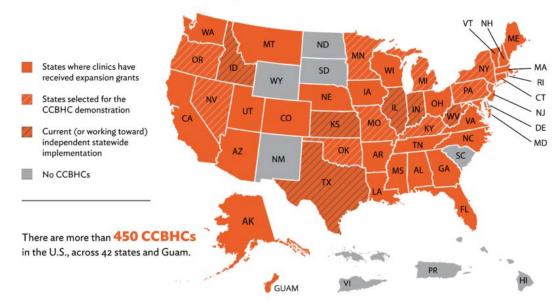


WHAT IS A CCBHC? <u>CCBHCs</u> are federally specially designated clinics that provide critical care for people with mental health and substance use challenges. CCBHCs meet defined federal and state criteria, including providing 24-hour crisis services, comprehensive outpatient mental health and substance use care, and enhanced care coordination and partnerships with primary care, hospital partners, and law enforcement.



WHO DO CCBHCs SERVE? CCBHCs serve anyone in need of mental health care or substance use treatment services – regardless of their ability to pay. Together, more than 450 CCBHCs operating in 42 states serve millions of people, and are a critical part of the safety net, providing care for those that are underserved, uninsured, low-income, on Medicaid, and active-duty military or veterans.

Status of Participation in the CCBHC Model



CCBHCS IN THE BIPARTISAN SAFER COMMUNITIES ACT: CCBHCs are currently funded through both a Medicaid demonstration program and grants provided by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The Bipartisan Safer Communities Act expands the CCBHC Medicaid demonstration program to allow all states the opportunity to apply to participate. Starting in July 2024, and every 2 two years thereafter, 10 additional states will be selected by HHS to join the demonstration. For the eight original demonstration sites, they are extended to September 2025, and the two newer demo states (Kentucky and Michigan) are extended to 6 years after their program launch. CCBHC funding through Medicaid allows for greater flexibility in providing services based on the varying needs of each state, while also enabling more state coordination and oversight.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR CONSTITUENTS? CCBHCs reduce wait times, expand access to care, provide lifesaving services (including crisis care and 988 participation) and enable organizations to hire more staff. Because of the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, all states will have the chance to receive funding for CCBHCs. This will expand access to lifesaving services in your state amidst the ongoing mental health and substance use crises gripping the country.

CHECK CCBHC STATUS IN MY COUNTY: Access our database to see how many CCBHCs are in your state and county, as well as if the CCBHCs in your state are funded through SAMHSA grants or funded through the Medicaid demonstration.



