



Community  
HealthCorps



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF  
Community Health Centers

## Ohio 2010-2011

Community HealthCorps' mission is to improve healthcare access and enhance workforce development through community health center sponsored national service programs. Founded in 1995 by the



National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC), it is the largest health-focused, national AmeriCorps program with nearly 500 members serving in various capacities around the country in 19 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Community HealthCorps members, placed at over 150 delivery sites in 2010-11, strive to enhance access to primary and preventive services and programs for the medically underserved.

### What do Community HealthCorps members do?

Community HealthCorps members perform a variety of activities associated with health services and programs for patients and communities, often by functioning like community health workers.

Examples of activities include:

- **Creating a “medical home”:** Helping families and community members navigate the healthcare system thus improving their frequency of using health center services/programs
- **Educating the community:** Providing education/counseling around health issues and disparities that impact the specific communities members serve
- **Going the distance & extending basic care:** Supporting treatment plans by providing follow-up, support and case management to individual patients; enrolling qualified patients into health insurance and other applicable programs; and assessing other patient needs such as housing, legal and financial assistance



This year Community HealthCorps members assisted 592,875 people - of which 62,263 people were helped to enroll in insurance plans and other health related services and programs, and 112,654 people received health education and supportive counseling. Community HealthCorps members also recruited and coordinated the work of 8,442 non-AmeriCorps volunteers (nearly 2,000 volunteered more than once). These volunteers logged 35,026 hours in assisting health centers and other community-based organizations to address health and human needs. The value of the service from Community HealthCorps members and the volunteers they recruited is estimated at just over \$17 million dollars (Independent Sector estimates the value of volunteer time for 2010 at \$21.36/hour).

In Ohio, the Ohio Association of Community Health Centers hosted seven Community HealthCorps members who served across nine different placement sites.

“The program directly correlated with my educational plans. Through working experience I have gained further knowledge that pertained to my Bachelor’s degree in Public Health and will contribute to my future aspiration of completing my Master’s in Public Health.”


– Kaela (Ohio Association of  
Community Health Centers)



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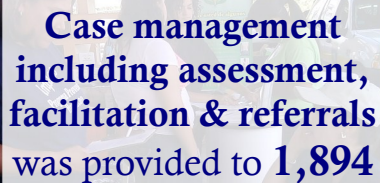


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**Ohio  
Community HealthCorps  
members directly served  
17,793 people during the  
2010-11 program year.**

**Of those community members directly served...**



**Case management  
including assessment,  
facilitation & referrals  
was provided to 1,894**



**698 were enrolled  
in health insurance,  
prescription  
assistance  
& other programs/  
services**



**613  
received  
outreach  
services**

**Other areas of service activities included:**

- \* Financial counseling and eligibility assistance
- \* Parenting education
- \* Health education and supportive counseling
- \* Physical education and healthy eating classes
- \* Housing and transportation assistance
- \* ...and more!

**2011-12 Program Year**

For the next program year of 2011-12, twelve Community HealthCorps members will continue serving in Ohio, with almost 500 members serving nationwide. In the upcoming year, Community HealthCorps members will continue volunteering in racially/culturally diverse rural, urban and suburban communities, as well as migrant farm worker, homeless and public housing populations.

No matter where they serve, Community HealthCorps members become part of a person's struggle for better health and economic independence.



For more information, click this QR code using your smartphone or other compatible device.

**Where Members Serve in Ohio  
(2011-12 Program Year)**

