

Proclamation

by

Andy Beshear
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

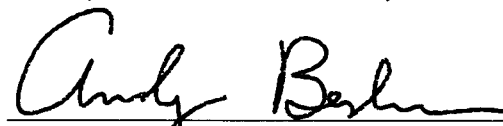
- WHEREAS, For more than 50 years, Community Health Centers have provided high-quality, affordable, comprehensive primary and preventive health care in Kentucky and the nation, serving underserved communities, delivering value to, and having a significant impact on, the health care system; and
- WHEREAS, Community Health Centers are an essential element of the health system, serving both rural and urban communities throughout the Commonwealth. They provide quality, compassionate care to everyone, regardless of their ability to pay, race, gender, or any other circumstance. In many instances, Community Health Centers are in communities without hospitals, providing one of the only accessible and dependable sources of primary care in the local community; and
- WHEREAS, Kentucky's Community Health Centers, located in every region of the state, serve as the medical homes for more than 560,000 people, which is approximately one in eight Kentuckians. The 30 Community Health Centers have more than 200 clinic locations in about 90 Kentucky counties. Additionally, Community Health Centers operate school-based clinics in roughly 40 school districts. The school-based clinics provide access to health services that many school children would not have access to otherwise; and
- WHEREAS, Every day, Community Health Centers and their teams of dedicated healthcare workers, develop new approaches to integrating a wide range of services beyond primary care, including oral health, vision, behavioral/mental health, chronic disease management, and pharmacy services, to meet the needs and challenges of their local communities. Community Health Centers expand access and improve outcomes which makes for a healthier Commonwealth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDY BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim August 7-13, 2022, as


COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS WEEK

in Kentucky, and encourage all Kentuckians to get to know more about Community Health Centers, the services they provide, and the communities they serve.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 11th day of July, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Two and in the 231st year of the Commonwealth.



ANDY BESHEAR
GOVERNOR



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Secretary of State

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