## COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS BY THE NUMBERS

## **HISTORY**

- In 1965, the nation's first health center was launched in Dorchester,
   Massachusetts.
- There are 24 community health centers in Boston.
- The first community health center, the Geiger Gibson Community Health Center, is still open today.
- 51% of the governing board at a community health center has to be comprised of patients.

Almost all neighborhoods in Boston have a community health center

8 neighborhoods in Boston have a Boston Children's affiliated community health center

25 years of Boston Children's partnership with community health centers

## **Boston Children's Hospital partners with**

12 community health centers

- Boston Community Pediatrics
- Bowdoin Street Health Center
- Brookside Community Health Center
- Charles River Community Health
- The Dimock Center
- Boston Children's at Martha Eliot Health Center
- Mattapan Community Health Center
- NeighborHealth
- South Cove Community Health Center
- Southern Jamaica Plain Health Center
- Upham's Community Care
- Whittier Street Health Center

## among our affiliated health centers...

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**30** pediatricians employed

**25,825** pediatric patients served

**87,367** pediatric visits last year

Health centers are at the forefront of addressing challenging issues, such as improving access to health care and eliminating health disparities across racial and ethnic groups.

