



FACT SHEET

Mattapan Community Health Center (MCHC) is a comprehensive health delivery organization that serves individuals from the Mattapan, Dorchester, Roxbury and Hyde Park neighborhoods of Boston, as well as adjacent Boston suburbs like Brockton, Randolph and Stoughton. It is the only comprehensive community health center in the Mattapan and Hyde Park service areas and it operates during normal business hours with evening and Saturday hours. The Health Center was established in 1972 and incorporated in 1974 with the current name. MCHC is independently licensed by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. The Board of Directors is representative of the communities served by the Health Center. The federal 330 grant remains a major source of funding to support MCHC's programs and services for the medically underserved populations. The Health Center is pleased to participate in two national initiatives to improve health access – Take a Loved One to the Doctor Day and to decrease health disparities – member of the Health Disparities Collaborative focused on diabetes.

MCHC is committed to its mission of improving the quality of life for residents of Mattapan and surrounding communities by providing preventive and community health care services. These services are provided from two sites – the primary delivery site at 1425 Blue Hill Avenue and a School-Based Health Center at Hyde Park Education Complex. Our service population is primarily Black/African Americans, including a large percentage of Caribbean immigrants. More than 7,000 patients are served annually with an experienced leadership team and culturally diverse staff. The Mattapan community has some of the most serious health problems in Boston. A *Community Health Report Card* tracks key health indicators in our community. Since 1997, MCHC with community partners has implemented two annual initiatives to address community outreach and funding needs. They are: Health Care Revival, a faith-based initiative with international recognition through a peer-reviewed publication, *American Journal of Public Health*, February 2002, and Rock the Boat, a fundraising gala to support our preventive health programs and services. The Health Center is a founding partner of the Boston HealthNet, and is affiliated with Boston Medical Center and Brigham & Women's Hospital/Partners HealthCare. Partnerships continue to enhance MCHC's ability to deliver comprehensive and quality community health care services.

MCHC proudly provides a wide variety of high quality health care services, including:

Clinical/Primary Care Services: Adult, Adolescent, and Family Medicine; Adult and Pediatric Dentistry; Women's Health Services, including OB/GYN; Pediatric Medicine.

Social Services and Public Health Programs: Breast and Cervical Health Services; Diabetes Education and Treatment; HIV/AIDS; Family Planning; Family Support Services; Health Disparities Collaborative; Lead Screening; Maternal and Child Health; Mattapan Initiative to Reduce Infant Mortality; Mental Health Referrals; Nutrition Services; Tuberculosis Prophylaxis; and WIC Services.

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