

Impact of Federal Issues on FQHCs

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FQHCs are New York's Primary Care Safety Net

68 organizations; 650 sites

2 million patients served

86% of patients live at or below
200% Federal Poverty Level



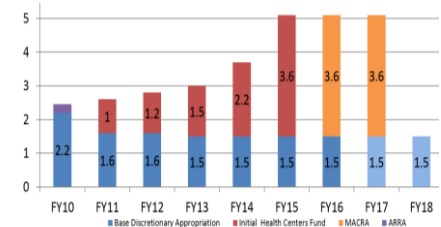
HEALTH CENTERS CHALLENGES

Lack of clarity on ACA causes **huge uncertainty** – should we hire providers, sign leases, apply for new funding?

Medicaid is under threat –expansion, the structure of the program itself, and the FQHC PPS



Without Congressional action we face a **70% cut to Federal Grant Funding** and elimination of NHSC, THCGME



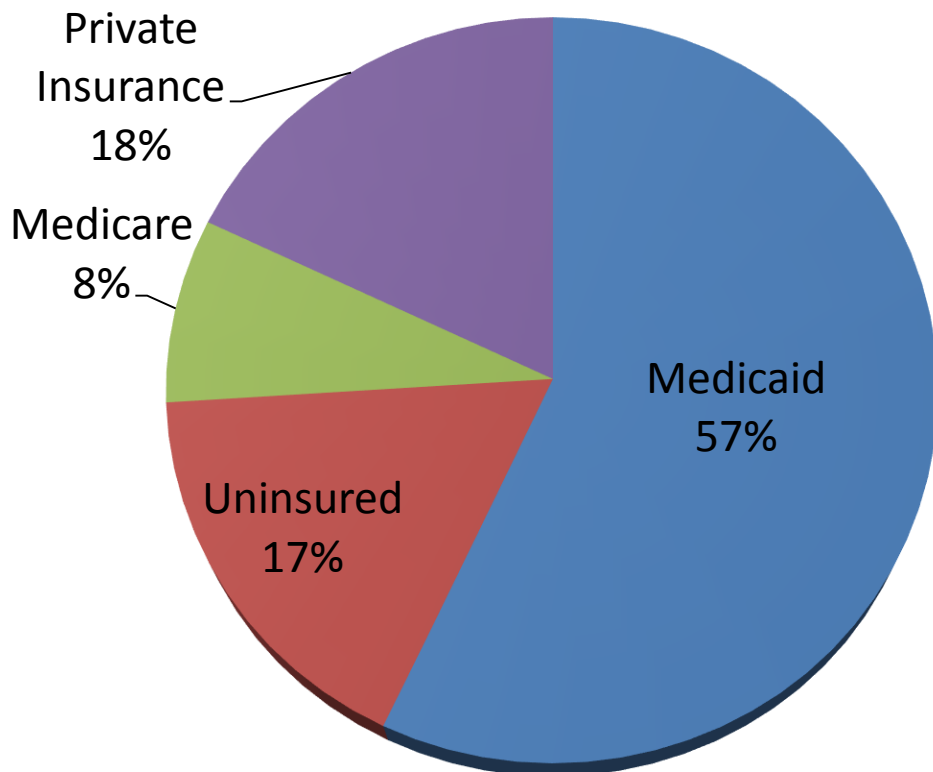


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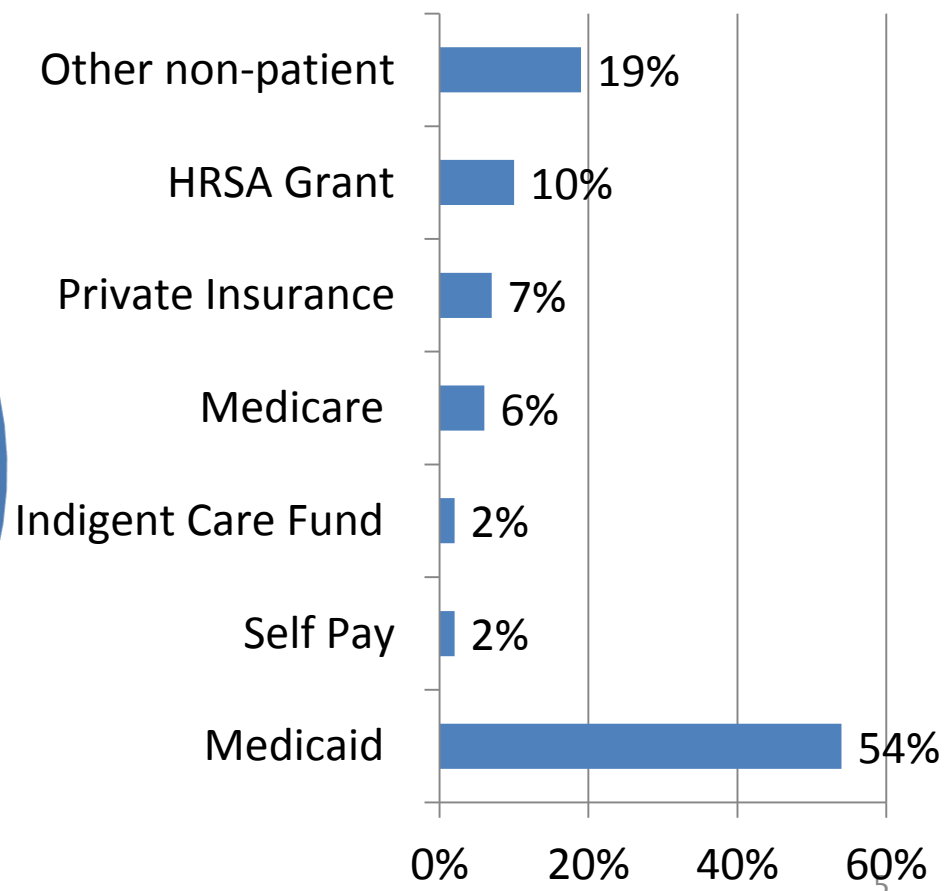


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Insurance Coverage



Income Sources





FQHC and Medicaid Work Together

Prospective Payment System

- ✓ Predictability and Stability for Health Centers
- ✓ Saves Medicaid money

Health Centers save Medicaid \$6 Billion annually

Eliminating PPS would reduce health centers' Medicaid revenue nationwide by 30% or more.

Repealing Expansion would reduce NYS Health Center Medicaid revenue by \$330 million

Block Grants/ Per capita cap- ???



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FEDERAL GRANT FUNDING

Section 330 Health Center Grant Funds: *Two Sources Combine to Form One Program*

Health Centers Fund, or “Mandatory”

- Required spending,
- Special 5-year Trust Fund created in ACA to boost Health Center Capacity
- Extended for two years in MACRA, expires September 30, 2017 without extension

\$3.6 billion/year (FY17)

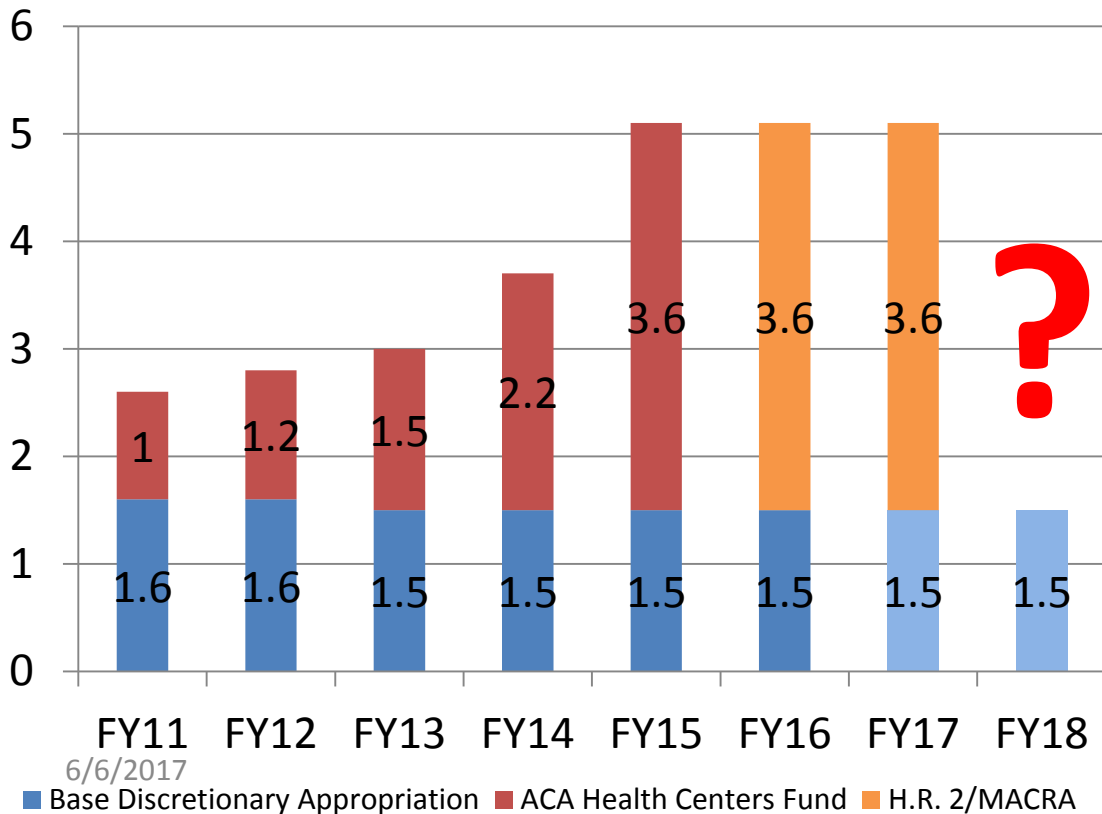
Annual Appropriations, or “Discretionary”

- Annual, up to Congress to determine amount
- Prior to ACA, this was the only source of funding for CHC program
- Cut several times, backfilled with mandatory funds

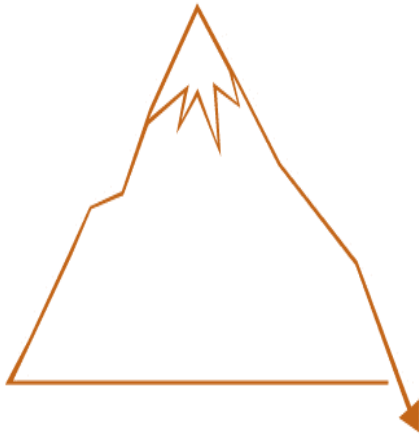
\$1.5 billion/year (FY17)

The Health Centers Funding Cliff

Community Health Center 330 Funding: FY 2011 - FY 2018



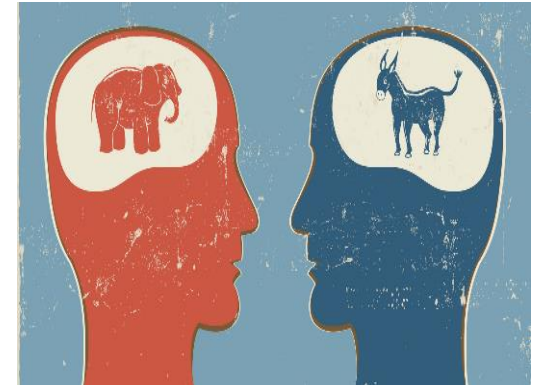
- **70% cut to 330 funds= \$138 M in NYS**
- NHSC, THCGME also at risk
- HRSA's analysis:
 - **2,800 sites closed**
 - **9+ million patients lost**
 - **50,000+ jobs lost**



Cliff WILL happen if Congress does not act by September 30th. Limited vehicles, and all will be controversial.



Other Key Programs (CHIP being the largest) have the same expiration date. Must be coordinated.



CHCs are bipartisan. But debate over our funding will happen in tandem with other highly divisive debates.