

# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS

## *Commonly Used Acronyms in the Health Center Industry*

AAP	American Academy of Pediatrics
AAFP	American Academy of Family Physicians
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
ACA	Affordable Care Act
ACO	Accountable Care Organization
AHEC	Area Health Education Center
APHA	American Public Health Association
BBA	Balanced Budget Act
BHW	Bureau of Health Workforce
BPHC	Bureau of Primary Health Care
CBPR	Community Based Participatory Research
CBO	Congressional Budget Office
CDC	Centers for Disease Control
CEEP	Community Health Center Capital Enhancement and Equipment Program
CHIP	Child Health Insurance Program
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
COPC	Community Oriented Primary Care
DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services
EHR or EMR	Electronic Health or Medical Record
FQHC	Federally Qualified Health Center
FTCA	Federal Tort Claims Act
GME	Graduate Medical Education
HCCN	Health Center Controlled Network
HCPC Code H	(Health Care Financing Administration) Common Procedure Coding System
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
HMO	Health Maintenance Organization
HPSA	Health Professions Shortage Area
HRSA	Health Resources Services Administration
ICD-9, 10, etc.	"International Statistical Classification of Diseases" (medical classification system)
IDS	Integrated Delivery Systems
IDS	Increase Demand for Services
ISDI	Integrated Service Delivery Initiative
JCAHO	Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
MCO	Managed Care Organization
MSO	Management Service Organization
MUA	Medically Underserved Area
NAP	New Access Point
NHSC	National Health Service Corps
PACE	Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly
PCA	Primary Care Association
PCER	Primary Care Effectiveness Review
PDPA	Prescription Drug Purchase Assistance Program
PEERS	Patient Experience Evaluation Report System
PHS	Public Health Service
PPS	Prospective Payment System
PSO	Provider Sponsored Organization

RHC	Rural Health Clinic
ROR	Reach Out and Read
SDOH	Social Determinants of Health
SNAP	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as Food Stamps)
UDS	Uniform Data System
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
WIC	Women, Infants, and Children Program