



Established in 1987, the Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations (AAPCHO) is a not-for-profit national association representing community health organizations primarily serving Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders (AA&NHPIs) in the United States, particularly the medically underserved. Based in San Leandro, California, AAPCHO is governed by a national Board of Directors composed of a representative from full organizational members of the Association. AAPCHO is primarily supported by federal and foundation grants.



#### WE REPRESENT

AAPCHO represents community based organizations, predominantly health centers, across the United States. AAPCHO members are located in communities with high concentrations of medically underserved AA&NHPIs, and are at the forefront in providing community responsive, financially affordable and culturally and linguistically appropriate primary health care services.

#### OUR MISSION

To promote advocacy, collaboration and leadership that improves the health status and access of AA&NHPIs within the United States, its territories and freely associated states, primarily through our member health centers.

#### OUR VISION

To be a national leader and critical voice for AA&NHPI-serving health centers and consumers, ensuring that our communities have better access to affordable, high quality, and culturally and linguistically proficient health care.

#### HOW HEALTH CENTERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

##### Cost Effectiveness

Health centers provide cost-effective, high quality health care. In fact, studies show that total health care costs for health center patients are on average 30% lower than other providers serving the same population.

##### Improving Access

Health centers bring health care providers, services, and facilities to people and areas often not served by other providers.

##### Accountability

Under the U.S. Public Health Service Act, health centers must meet strict, uniform, high national standards of accountability.

##### Development of the Economy

Health centers challenge communities to take ownership in developing innovative programs to meet special community health needs.

##### Enhancing Opportunities

Health centers contribute to the strength and well-being of their communities by providing cost-effective care, and by keeping both children and workers healthy.