

# BECOME A COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER ADVOCATE

## What does it mean to be an advocate?

- Use your voice to spread the word about the importance of Community Health Centers.
- Stay educated about local, state, and federal policies that may impact Community Health Center patients and communities.
- Show support for the Community Health Center mission and movement.

## How do I get started?

- Sign up for the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) Health Center Advocacy Network at [www.hcadvocacy.org](http://www.hcadvocacy.org).
- Get involved in your state's Community Health Center advocacy through your State Primary Care Association (SPCA).
  - Colorado (CCHN): [www.cchn.org/policy-and-advocacy](http://www.cchn.org/policy-and-advocacy).
  - Montana (MPCA): [www.mtpca.org/policy](http://www.mtpca.org/policy).
  - North Dakota & South Dakota (CHAD): [www.communityhealthcare.net/policy](http://www.communityhealthcare.net/policy).
  - Utah (AUCH): [www.auch.org](http://www.auch.org).
  - Wyoming (WYPCA): [www.wypca.org](http://www.wypca.org).
- Check out the CHAMPS Advocacy Webpages.
  - Community Health Center Program Education & Outreach [www.CHAMPSonline.org/resources/cross-disciplinary-resources/community-health-center-program-education-outreach](http://www.CHAMPSonline.org/resources/cross-disciplinary-resources/community-health-center-program-education-outreach)
  - Education & Advocacy Communications Resources [www.CHAMPSonline.org/resources/cross-disciplinary-resources/community-health-center-program-education-outreach/education-advocacy-communications-resources](http://www.CHAMPSonline.org/resources/cross-disciplinary-resources/community-health-center-program-education-outreach/education-advocacy-communications-resources)
  - Voter Registration & Ballot Measure Advocacy Resources [www.CHAMPSonline.org/resources/cross-disciplinary-resources/community-health-center-program-education-outreach/voter-reg-ballot-measure-advocacy](http://www.CHAMPSonline.org/resources/cross-disciplinary-resources/community-health-center-program-education-outreach/voter-reg-ballot-measure-advocacy).

## QUESTIONS?

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