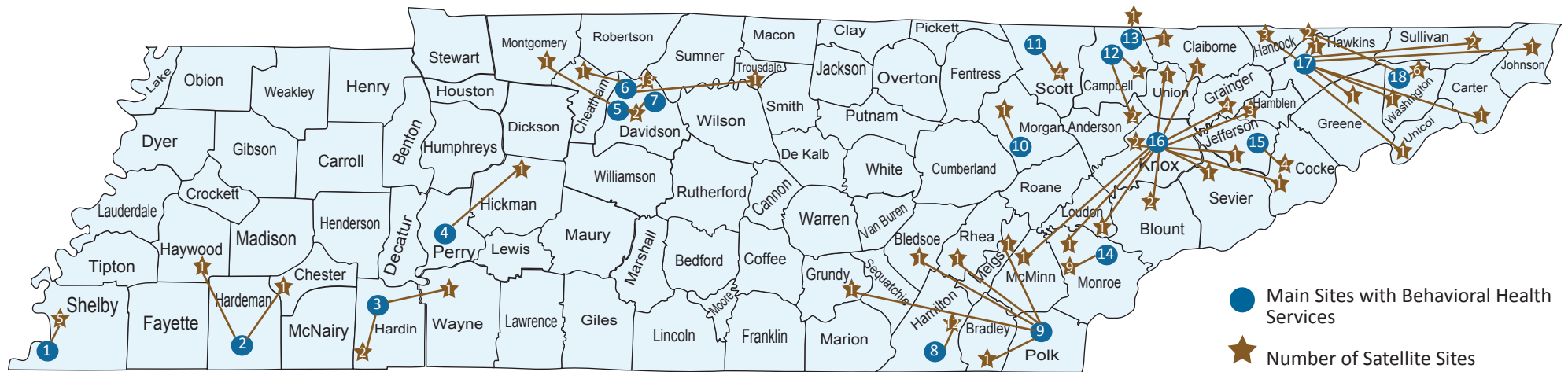


Tennessee Primary Care Association

Community Health Centers are Expanding Access to Behavioral Health Services for Tennesseans

These FQHCs offer one or more of these behavioral health services: mental health treatment and screening, 24-hour crisis intervention, substance abuse services, and/or substance abuse screenings. They served over 18,000 Tennesseans in 2007 with over 90,000 service encounters.



Organization Main Site

1. Christ Community Health Services
2. Hardeman County Community Health Center
3. Lifespan Health
4. Perry County Medical Center
5. Matthew Walker Comprehensive Health Center
6. United Neighborhood Health Services, Inc.
7. University Community Health Services
8. Homeless Health Care Center of Chattanooga Health Department
9. Ocoee Regional Health Corporation
10. Morgan County Health Council, Inc.
11. Mountain People's Health Councils, Inc.
12. Community Health of East Tennessee
13. Dayspring Family Health Center
14. Chota Community Health Services
15. Rural Medical Services, Inc.
16. Cherokee Health Systems
17. Rural Health Services Consortium, Inc.
18. ETSU College of Nursing Clinics

- When a patient has a mental health concern, they are most likely to see their primary care physician or pediatrician
- On those occasions when the PCP determines that the patient needs the services of a mental health professional, referral is frequently seen as the only option.
- These referrals are unsuccessful most of the time due to stigma and waiting lists for the behavioral health providers.
- By combining the best traditions of primary care (adult, family practice, pediatric) and mental health services the integrated health care team is able to treat the whole person - mind and body so all patient needs are met.
- Let's ensure integrated primary care and behavioral health services are available to all Tennesseans.

