LB855 Harmonize Federally Qualified Health Center Services and Rural Health Clinic Services under the mandatory Medicaid benefits in state statute, mirroring federal requirements.

### **Basic information**

Both Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Clinics are required by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid in all states' Medicaid Programs, so LB855 should have no additional costs to the state.

LB855 is necessary to harmonize our statutes with federal law, eliminate arbitrary gaps in the current statutes.

### NE §68-911 currently mirrors federally required Medicaid services, except for Federally Qualified Health Centers, and Rural Health Clinics

Mandatory Benefits under Federal Law				
Inpatient	Nursing Facility	Rural Health	Family planning	Transportation
hospital services	Services	Clinic services	services**	to medical care*
Outpatient hospital services	Home health services		Certified	Tobacco
		Federally	Pediatric Family	cessation
		Qualified Health	Nurse	counseling for
		Center services	Practitioner	pregnant
			Services	women**
EPSDT	Physician Services		Freestanding	
			Birth Center	
		T -1	services (when	
		Laboratory and X-ray services	licensed or	
			otherwise	
			recognized by	
			the state)**	
*Included in §68-911(2) with other optional benefits				

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## **Federally Qualified Health** Centers (FQHC)

Nebraska's seven FOHCs are nonprofit. community-based organizations that provide high quality medical, dental, behavioral, pharmacy, and support services to persons of all ages regardless of their economic or insurance status.

Nebraska's community health centers provide comprehensive, culturally appropriate primary care to over 107,000 patients statewide at 70 different service locations.

Nearly 47% of health center patients are uninsured and 93% are low income.

# Rural Health Clincs (RHC)

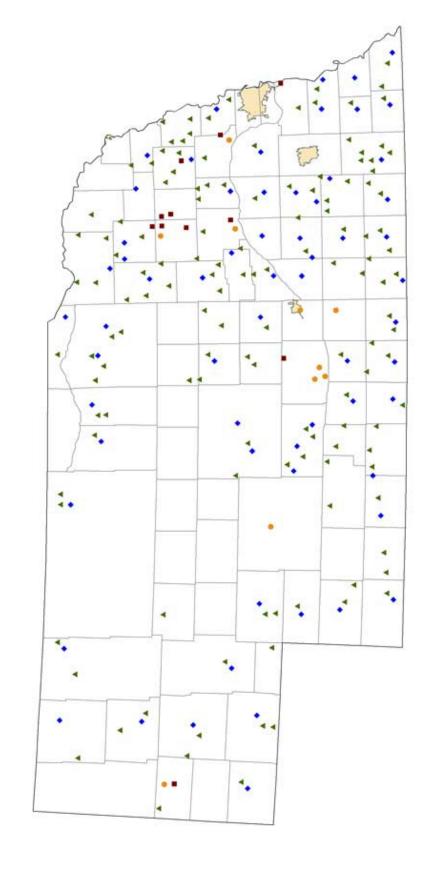
The Rural Health Clinics Program was developed in response to the unmet needs of Medicare and Medicaid recipients in underserved areas of rural America.

Rural health clinics provide access to primary care services at over 140 locations in underserved communities in rural Nebraska. In many counties, RHCs are the only provider that accepts Medicaid patients.

On the back of this page is a map of Nebraska's rural health care facilities, including RHCs.

<sup>\*\* §68-911(1)(</sup>k) identifies pregnancy-related services as a required service

# Selected Rural Healthcare Facilities in Nebraska



Federally Qualified Health Center Site Outside of Urbanized Area Critical Access Hospital

KHI DUD

Rural Health Information Hub

Short Term/PPS Hospital Outside of Urbanized Area

Rural Health Clinic

U.S. Census Bureau Urbanized Area Data Source(s): data.HRSA.gov, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, October 2021