

School Based Health Centers Save the State Money!

*An investment in School Based Health Centers,
is an investment in the health of a child and the future of Connecticut!*



Comparison Of Per Visit Costs

Average Cost of treatment for Asthma:

Emergency Room ¹	\$1,631
Urgent Care	\$153
SBHC ²	\$100

¹ER visits average 4.5 Hours; includes visit, breathing treatment, medications

²Students receive treatment and return to class!

Department of Public Health SBHC Funding: 2011– 2018

Sites grew from 66 to 96 from 2011-2016

FY 2011	\$10.44 Million
FY 2013	\$11.35 Million
FY 2015	\$12.04 Million
FY 2016 *	\$11.39 Million
FY 2017	\$10.91 Million
FY 2018 **	\$8.11 Million

* 3 sites closed due to budget cuts

** reduction under July 2017 Executive Order

Results From Loss of Public Funds

- Service and Staff Reductions
- Potential Closure of Additional Sites

"My son visits the Center daily for medical reasons. If it were not for this Center, I would have to pick him up and go to the emergency room each time, and without transportation. My son can attend more school because there is available care".

-Parent of Hartford elementary student with asthma



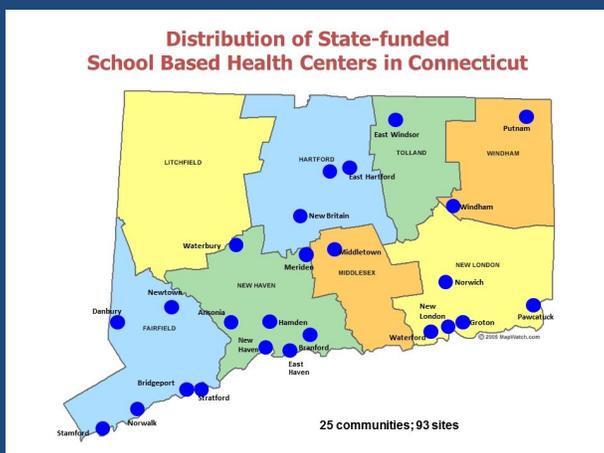
Healthy Kids Make Better Learners

The Connecticut Association
of School Based Health Centers

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Restore Funding for School Based Health Centers

Distribution of State-funded
School Based Health Centers in Connecticut



- 93 State-funded centers in 25 Communities
- 44,000 students access Healthcare
- 131,000 visits annually at Centers
- 96.5% of students return to class following treatment

Key Services

- Comprehensive Physical Exams
- Mental Health Counseling and Therapy
- Diagnosis/Treatment of Chronic Diseases
- Oral Hygiene
- Treatment for Illness and Injury

Benefits of Care

- Keeps Students in School, Lowers Absenteeism
- Saves Connecticut money by reducing ER visits
- SBHCs improve academic performance, increase attendance, and reduce dropout rates
- Manages Asthma, Diabetes, Obesity, and other Chronic Diseases
- Prevents Mental Health Crises

¹Cost estimates are based on Cigna internal analysis of national 2013 averages