

Pediatric Pulmonary Centers (PPCs) Fact Sheet

PROGRAM PURPOSE

The Pediatric Pulmonary Centers (PPCs) serve as models of excellence in interdisciplinary training, systems integration, and research. PPCs provide a critical link in assuring that the next generation of health care providers contribute to MCHB's mission to assure access to care for maternal and child health (MCH) populations by developing interdisciplinary leaders who improve the health status of infants, children, and youth with chronic respiratory and sleep-related conditions.

PPCs achieve this objective by addressing five aims:

1. Providing interdisciplinary leadership training at the graduate and post-graduate levels in pediatric pulmonary medicine, nursing, nutrition, social work, and at least one additional discipline
2. Engaging with families as full partners to support family-centered practice, policies, and research
3. Increasing access to health services through innovative methods, such as telehealth, collaborative systems of care (i.e. medical homes), and distance-learning modalities
4. Providing technical assistance, consultation, continuing education, and subject matter expertise to facilitate academic-practice partnerships
5. Supporting diverse and underrepresented trainees and faculty, and increasing the cultural responsiveness and skills of trainees and faculty to address health disparities in underserved communities

PROGRAM IMPACT

Trainees

In FY 2022, PPC programs trained 43 long-term trainees, 177 medium-term trainees, and 197 short-term trainees.

Over 20% of long-term trainees are from underrepresented racial groups and over 23% are Hispanic/Latino.

In FY 2022, 77% of PPC program graduates (5 years following completion of program) were engaged in work related to MCH populations and 93% demonstrated field leadership in academic, clinical, public health practice, and/or public policy and related activities.

Faculty

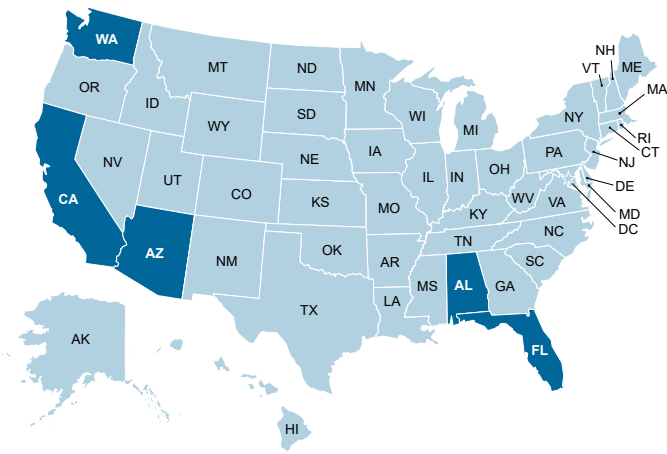
In FY 2022, PPC faculty provided 413 technical assistance activities to 2,283 participants, offered 170 continuing education events to 13,173 participants, and published 142 articles in peer-reviewed journals.

Title V

In FY 2022, PPC programs reported collaborating with state Title V (MCH) agencies or other MCH-related programs on 2,321 activities in areas of service, training, continuing education, technical assistance, product development and research.

Collaboration

PPCs engage families in the development, implementation, and evaluation of training activities, public health programs, policy initiatives, and research projects. They collaborate on national projects, such as online training modules on cultural competence and a network of community-based asthma programs, designed to meet the unique needs of their regions.



PROGRAM LOCATIONS

Alabama

- [University of Alabama at Birmingham](#)

Arizona

- [University of Arizona, Tucson](#)

California

- [Children’s Hospital of Los Angeles](#)
- [University of California, San Francisco](#)

Florida

- [University of Florida, Gainesville](#)

Washington

- [University of Washington, Seattle](#)

DIVISION OF MCH WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (DMCHWD)

DMCHWD, part of the Health Resources and Services Administration’s (HRSA) Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB), provides national leadership and direction in educating and training our nation’s current and future leaders in maternal and child health (MCH). The Division also provides leadership through state and community-based capacity building programs.

Special emphasis is placed on the development and implementation of interprofessional, family- and person centered, community-based and culturally responsive systems of care across the entire life course.

DMCHWD supports programs established in federal legislation ([Title V of the Social Security Act](#), the [Autism CARES Act](#), and [§ 330M of the Public Health Service Act \(42 USC 254c-19\)](#), as added by the [21st Century Cures Act \(P.L. 114-255\)](#) and amended by the [Bipartisan Safer Communities Act \(P.L. 117-159\)](#)) to complement state and local health agency efforts. DMCHWD partners with state MCH programs, academic institutions, professional organizations, and other health training programs of the federal government to ensure that MCH workforce development programs are grounded in emerging and evidence-based practices.

DMCHWD Training Website: mchb.hrsa.gov/training

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