

# Federally Qualified Health Centers: THE HEART OF HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

## Uncompensated Care Program Funding for Uninsured Visits

- **\$54.4 Million in contingency funding to fill the gap created by the loss of 2015 Federal Indigent Care Funding**

New York State did not secure from CMS the renewal of the Clinic Uncompensated Care Program federal match. The match expired at the end of 2014 and as a result, FQHCs and other safety net providers are experiencing a **50% cut in 2015 indigent care funding**. If the match is not secured, this 50% gap will continue into 2016-17.

## Investments in Community-Based Providers to Support Transformation Efforts

- **Allocate \$49M of the proposed Health Care Facility Transformation Funding to Community Health Care Providers**
- **Create a \$88.5M Essential Community Health Care Provider Fund Exclusively for Community Health Care Providers**
- **Add \$20M to the Community Health Care Revolving Capital Fund**

The SFY 2015-16 budget allocated less than 4% of the nearly \$1.7 billion in new health care funding to non-hospital community-based health care providers, including FQHCs.

To align with the State's goal of reducing unnecessary hospitalizations by 25%, a **minimum of 25% of all health care investments** should be allocated to community health care providers.

## Health Care for New York's Most Vulnerable: Migrant Farmworkers

- **Appropriate \$430,000 for Migrant Health Care programs**

The Executive Budget appropriates \$406,000 to Migrant Health Care programs. Adding \$24,000 would restore funding to SFY 2012-13 levels for these critical programs.