



**Pillars Community Health**

Healing. Caring. Educating.

## Media Fact Sheet

**About Us:** Pillars Community Health is a nonprofit provider of health and social services, one of only a few nonprofits in the state of Illinois to integrate primary medical and dental care with mental health, early education, and social services. The organization is the result of a merger in January 2018 between Pillars and Community Nurse Health Center. We can trace our history back to 1921 through predecessor agencies and have a history of innovating to provide quality, evidence-based care for our patients and clients.

**Mission/Vision:** Pillars Community Health provides health, social and educational services to build strong, healthy communities. We envision communities where all people have equal access to the care they need, when they need it.

### Services:

- Community Health Center Services:
  - Medical
  - Dental
  - Behavioral Health and Psychiatry
- Behavioral Health and Support Services
  - Outpatient Mental Health
  - Addictions
  - Crisis Team
  - Grief Support
  - Employment
  - And more
- Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services (including a domestic violence shelter)
- Head Start, Early Head Start, and Child Care
- Prevention Education, Health Education, and Outreach
- Benefits Assistance
- The Community Shop (resale shop in La Grange)

**Locations:** Pillars Community Health has 10 locations in the western and southwestern suburbs, including La Grange, La Grange Park, Berwyn, Hickory Hills, and Western Springs. Several of our services are also provided in community settings including homes, schools, police stations, and emergency rooms.

**Staff:** Pillars Community Health has more than 300 staff. We employ doctors, nurses, dentists, social workers, counselors, therapists, teachers, and more.

**Increasing Access:** We are committed to eliminating barriers to care such as language, income, or stigma. To address the cultural diversity of our patients and clients, we have many bilingual staff (English-Arabic, English-Spanish) and use language assistance lines and sign language interpreters in the health center. Some services are available free of charge; others are offered on a sliding fee scale (meaning the amount you pay depends on your income). We accept Medicaid, Medicare, and many commercial insurance plans.

**Revenue and Funding Sources:** Pillars Community Health is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization with a revenue of approximately \$21 million. We receive funding from a variety of sources including Community Health Center and Head Start federal funding and other federal, state, and local government funding; foundation funding; and generous donations from individuals, corporations, and community groups.