



## Directory of HRSA Health Care for the Homeless Grantees

**HCH Directory - Alabama**

### **Birmingham Health Care, Inc.**

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### **Project Description**

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Birmingham Health Care (BHC) provides comprehensive urgent, acute, and primary health care services with linkages to community providers when needed. BHC is accredited by JCAHCO for both its ambulatory and behavioral health care services and is licensed by the Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

#### **Services**

Medical services include urgent and primary care, treatment of acute and chronic illness, physical exams, family planning, diabetes testing and care, immunizations, flu vaccinations, x-rays, blood pressure monitoring, health education, nutrition counseling, well child check-ups, HIV and TB screening and education, optometry services, treatment for Black Lung, asthma, chronic bronchitis and emphysema, and referrals for specialty care. Dental services include emergency, primary, and preventive dental services for children and adults, treatment and x-rays, replacement of missing teeth, crowns, bridges, and partials. Behavioral health services include case management, intensive outpatient substance abuse treatment, mental health counseling, on-the-job job training, outreach, transportation, and child development services.

#### **Linkages**

Linkages include the county indigent care hospital, public health department, Mental Health Authority, local homeless shelters, and inpatient substance abuse treatment facilities. BHC works closely with local businesses, universities, specialty clinics, churches, and other faith-based groups to provide seamless health care. BHC played an integral role in establishing a system to connect homeless services in Birmingham, known as Metropolitan Birmingham Services for the Homeless (MBSH).

## Statistics

Estimated homeless population: 3,320 Patients served: 7,250

## Subcontractor(s):

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## **Project Description**

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Franklin Primary Health Center operates the H.E. Savage Health Care for the Homeless Program, which provides multidisciplinary services to individuals who are homeless or are at risk of being homeless, in a downtown urban “store front” clinic. These services are provided through linkages with seven community health centers and other agencies which also provide services to persons who are homeless.

## **Services**

Services include primary health care, pediatrics, OB/GYN, referrals to specialty clinics, optometry, dental, x-ray, labs, and a 24-hour emergency on-call provider. Medications are provided through Franklin’s Pharmacy, Catholic Social Services, and prescription assistance programs. Outreach medical services are provided on-site at 15 Place (multi-service center) and The Breakfast Club (soup kitchen) located in a downtown church. In addition, behavioral health specialists, medical social workers, outreach case managers, and support staff are available to provide comprehensive services. Substance abuse assessment and referral services, as well as mental health services, are provided by licensed and credentialed professionals. Social services also include food, medications, assistance with housing, and additional referrals to community agencies. HCH also provides a dedicated van service.

## **Linkages**

Mental health services are provided on-site and by referral to the Mobile Mental Health Center. Residential

substance abuse treatment is provided by referral to the Waterfront Rescue Mission, Salvation Army, Wings of Life, Serenity Care, Home of Grace for Women, Peachford Program, and Franklin Primary Health Center's Substance Abuse Program. Other linkages include Vocational Rehab Services, Goodwill Services, Veterans Administration, Social Security, and 15 Place Homeless Multi-Service Center. Transitional housing is provided through Catholic Social Services, Sybil Smith Village, Mobile Mental Health, and Volunteers of America Homeless Program.

### **Statistics**

Estimated homeless population: 2,500 Patients served: 1,546