

# Quality Improvement for Critical Access Hospitals



## HRSA's Medicare Beneficiary Quality Improvement Project (MBQIP)

*Improving quality of care for rural populations*

Launched in 2010 to provide Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) with specialized technical assistance in data collection and strategies for improving the quality of care delivered to patients living in rural areas <http://www.ruralcenter.org/tasc/mbqip>

96%

CAHs submitting quality measures in one of the four MBQIP domains

### MBQIP Domains

Patient Safety/  
Inpatient

Outpatient  
Care

Patient  
Engagement

Care  
Transitions

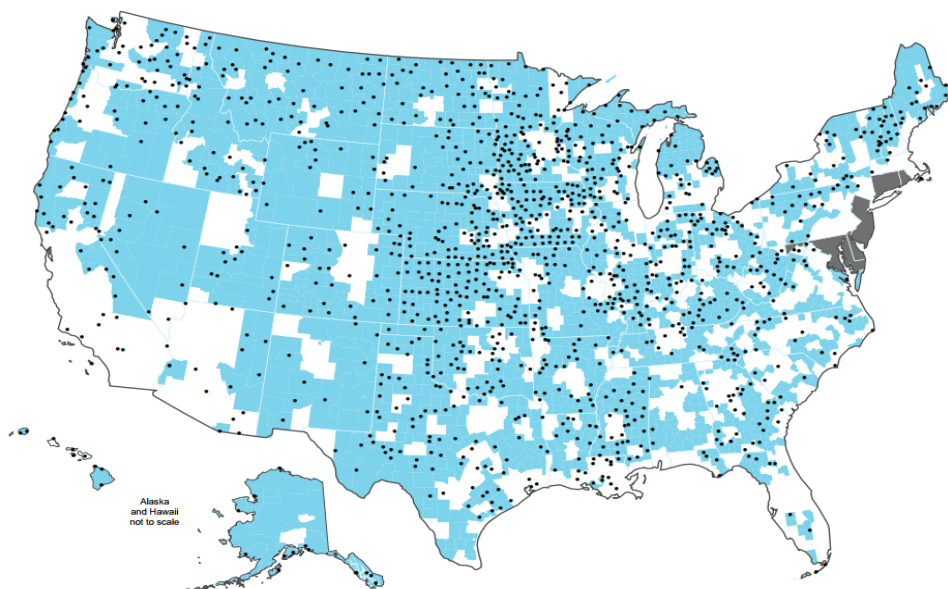
## Location of Critical Access Hospitals



Over 1,340 CAHs in the U.S.\* across 45 states (represented by the black dots)



57 million people currently live in non-metropolitan counties (highlighted in blue)



\*As of July 12, 2017. Information gathered by the Flex Monitoring Team funded by FORHP: <http://www.flexmonitoring.org/data/critical-access-hospital-locations/>\*



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