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“Health centers are providing more comprehensive services than ever before,” said Michaud. “I am pleased that the Department of Health and Human Services has awarded this funding to the Penobscot Community Health Center. It will compliment the good work already being done there and further promote increased access to health care for Mainers.”

For more than four decades, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) has provided grant support for Health Centers that provide high-quality preventive and primary health care to medically underserved residents in inner cities and isolated rural areas. According to Department of Health and Human Services, one of every 19 people living in the U.S. now relies on a HRSA-funded clinic for primary care. Health Centers support over 105,000 jobs, including physicians, nurses, dentists, and other health professionals

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