

Immigrants Are Major Contributors to North Carolina's Health Services

*An estimated **78,000** immigrants work in North Carolina's health services, making up **9%** of North Carolina's health services workforce.*

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost North Carolina's health services. Some 46,000 immigrants, or about 58% of all immigrants in North Carolina's health services, are U.S. citizens. About 20,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 3,000 are temporary immigrants on a nonimmigrant visa.

\$4.5 billion

Annual combined income from immigrant health services workers

Dreamers—undocumented immigrants who came to the U.S. as children before 2021 and are either in school or have graduated from high school—number 3,000 workers in North Carolina's health services. Some 1,000 are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

\$1.7 billion

Annual combined taxes paid by immigrant health services workers

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—number 1,000 workers in North Carolina's health services.

Meanwhile, an estimated 3,000 immigrants working in North Carolina's health services are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim.

6,000

Self-employed immigrant health services workers

Immigrant groups protected from deportation—DACA recipients, TPS holders, people seeking asylum, and those waiting for a permanent residency visa—**have access to work permits, making up an estimated 5,000 health services workers in North Carolina.**