Community Health Worker Funding in Ohio
Key Facts from the 2018 Ohio Community Health Worker (CHW) Statewide Assessment

EXAMPLES OF FUNDING MECHANISMS FOR CHWs IN OHIO

**GRANTS** fund a majority of CHWs in Ohio
- CHWs funded from grants reported job insecurity and limitations in their scope based on the priorities of the grant

**INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT** reported to be received by 37% of employers surveyed
- The Ohio Department of Medicaid allows **MANAGED CARE PLANS** to have the flexibility to use any provider they deem necessary to advance population health outcomes
- Most employers from Managed Care Plans feel their funding mechanisms for CHWs are sustainable

EMPLOYER REPORTED SOURCES OF CHW REIMBURSEMENT

- 51% Medicaid
- 49% Medicaid Managed Care (Pathways HUB contracts)
- 24% Private Health Insurance
- 14% Medicare
- 6% State Children’s Health Insurance Program

EMPLOYER SUSTAINABILITY CONCERNS

- 74% of employers surveyed reported that their greatest concern regarding the sustainability of CHW programs is funding uncertainty
- 80% are uncertain or feel their funding mechanisms are not sustainable
- 20% feel their funding mechanisms are sustainable

Find more information on the 2018 Community Health Worker Statewide Assessment at [http://grc.osu.edu/OhioCHWs](http://grc.osu.edu/OhioCHWs)

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