



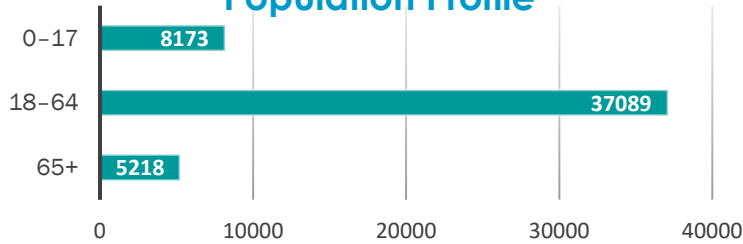
# Washington Rural County Medicaid Workforce Report

## Whitman County

Established in 1871, Whitman is the 10<sup>th</sup> largest county in Washington state covering 2,159 square miles. It has a population of 47,873. The city of Colfax the county seat and Pullman is the largest city. The county falls within the boundaries of the Better Health Together Accountable Community of Health (ACH) Region.

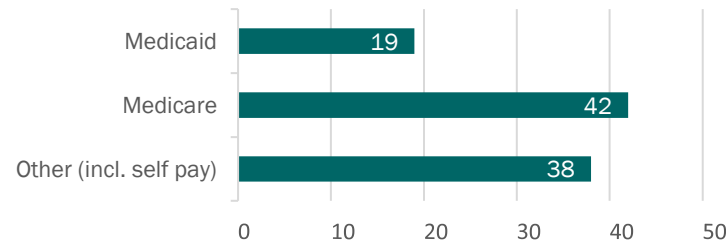
Source<sup>1</sup>: Employment Security Department, county-profiles; HCA, ACH Regions Map

### Population Profile



Source<sup>2</sup>: OFM, WA Data&Research, Population Estimates, 2020

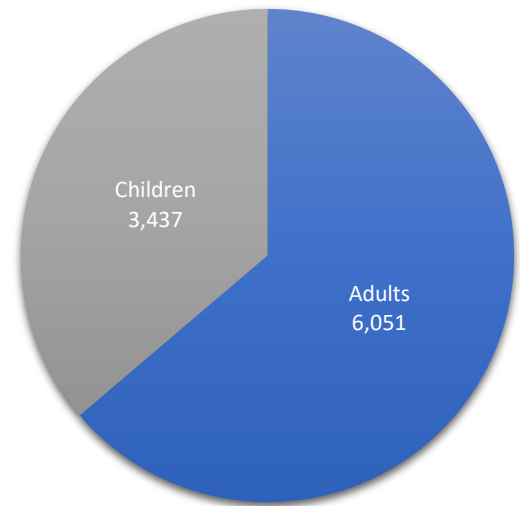
### Hospital Payer Mix %



Source<sup>3</sup>: DOH HospitalFinancialData 2023

### Medicaid Program Enrollment

for 2023



Source<sup>4</sup>: Apple Health Client Eligibility Dashboard

## Licensed In-County Workforce

Represents all physicians, nurses, maternal care providers, master level behavioral health and substance use disorder professionals with an active WA credential in the county (does not incl. professionals with an associate/trainee credentials).

Profession Type	Count
ARNP (NP, ANP, FNP, GNP, PNP, WHNP)	20
ARNP-CNM	2
Dentist	17
Licensed Midwife	2
Licensed Practical Nurse	25
Marriage&Family Therapist	1
Medical Doctor (incl. Psychiatry)	57
Mental Health Counselor	25
Osteopathic Physician (incl. Psychiatry)	13
Physician Assistant	10
Psychologist	29
Registered Nurse	266
Social Worker	20
Substance Use Disorder Professional	4

Source<sup>5</sup>: DOH Licensing Database; Washington Medical Commission (As of 4/23/2024)

## Health Service Systems

This section is a list of county institutions and resources that provide health care services at the local level to meet the health needs of the population. The following are links to source web pages to provide more information about the facilities in the county.

### [Federally Qualified Health Centers \(FQHC\)](#)

- None

### [Rural Health Clinics \(RHC\)](#)

- Palouse Health Center

### [Critical Access Hospitals \(CAH\)](#)

- Pullman Regional Hospital
- Whitman Hospital and Medical Center

### [Behavioral Health Agencies \(BHA\)](#)

- Palouse Recovery Center
- Palouse River Counseling Center-Main
- Palouse River Counseling Center-Pullman

### [Nursing Homes](#)

- Colfax of Cascadia
- Pullman Care

### [Assisted Living \(ALF\)](#)

- Bishop Place Senior Living
- Community Pride
- La Dow Court Assisted Living
- Regency Pullman
- Tekoa Care Center
- The Courtyard at Colfax

# Whitman County At-a-Glance

## Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) and Maternal Care Target Area (MCTA)

Healthcare providers in Washington are surveyed to determine if a shortage of eligible types that serve the low-income, disadvantaged populations exist. Areas with these designations receive scores based on a combination of data gathered during the surveying process and national datasets. These federal designations allow eligible facilities and providers access to numerous federal and state workforce incentive programs. There are three main HPSA categories: behavioral health, dental health, and primary care. MCTAs are supplementary scores added only to an existing primary care designated area. If you would like more information about HPSAs, MCTAs or the Medicaid Provider Survey, [contact our office](#). **Note: A provider may work at multiple locations. Provider/FTE counts are based on each location of service.**

Primary Care survey	
Number of physicians	26
Physician FTE	20.6
Number serving Medicaid	17
Number serving MFW/S	7
Number serving homeless	7
Number with sliding scale	4
Number serving AI/AN	8

Maternal care survey	
Number of MCTA provider (incl. OB/GYN)	4
MCTA FTE	2.5
Number serving Medicaid	3
Number serving MFW/S	0
Number serving homeless	0
Number with sliding scale	0
Number serving AI/AN	3

Dental survey	
Number of dentists	13
Dental FTE	9.4
Number serving Medicaid	6
Number serving MFW/S	2
Number serving homeless	0
Number with sliding scale	1
Number serving AI/AN	4

Behavioral health survey	
Number of psychiatrists	2
Psychiatric FTE	1.2
Number serving Medicaid	1
Number serving MFW/S	0
Number serving homeless	0
Number with sliding scale	0
Number serving AI/AN	0

Source<sup>6</sup>: DOH County Medicaid Provider Survey



## Health Workforce Investments

Health Workforce Investments represents the number of clinicians and students currently participating in federal and/or state loan repayment programs and the [J-1 Visa Waiver Program](#). The [National Health Service Corps \(NHSC\) Loan Repayment Program](#) and the [Washington Student Achievement Council \(WSAC\)](#), connect healthcare professionals interested in loan repayment or scholarship opportunities with rural and urban underserved employers. They are open to a range of different healthcare professionals seeking employment at approved sites in Washington. For more information about workforce recruitment and retention, [contact our office](#).

Medical workforce	
NHSC (LRP/SP/S2S) awardees	0
WSAC (FHP/SHP/BHP) awardees	0
Obligated J1-Visa Waivers	2

Dental workforce	
NHSC (LRP/SP/S2S) awardees	0
WSAC (FHP/SHP/BHP) awardees	0
Obligated J1-Visa Waivers	N/A

Behavioral Health workforce	
NHSC (LRP/SP/S2S) awardees	4
WSAC (FHP/SHP/BHP) awardees	0
Obligated J1-Visa Waivers	0

Source<sup>7</sup>: NHSC & WSAC Field Strength Reports



## Data Notes and Resources

Data published in this report is current as of document publication date of April 30, 2024

### List of Source web links:

- Source<sup>1</sup>: <https://esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/county-profiles> & <https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/healthier-washington/accountable-communities-health-ach>
- Source<sup>2</sup>: <https://www.ofm.wa.gov/washington-data-research/population-demographics/population-estimates/estimates-april-1-population-age-sex-race-and-hispanic-origin>
- Source<sup>3</sup>: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/DataandStatisticalReports/HealthcareinWashington/HospitalandPatientData/HospitalFinancialData/YearEndReports/2017HospitalYearEndReports>
- Source<sup>4</sup>: <https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/apple-health-medicare-reports#apple-health-enrollment-reports>
- Source<sup>5</sup>: <https://fortress.wa.gov/doh/providercredentialsearch/> & <https://wmc.wa.gov/>
- Source<sup>6</sup>: not privy due to personally identifiable and financial information.
- Source<sup>7</sup>: Field Strength reports are not privy due to personally identifiable information.

### List of Acronyms:

- ACH—Accountable Communities of Health
- AI/AN—American Indian/Alaskan Native
- DOH—WA State Department of Health
- HCA—WA State Health Care Authority
- WSAC—WA Student Achievement Council
- HRSA—Health Resources & Services Administration
- SDB—Shortage Designation Branch
- OFM—Office of Financial Management
- ARNP—Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner
- SUD—Substance Use Disorder Professional
- MFW/S—Migrant Farm Worker/ Seasonal
- LRP—Loan Repayment Program
- SP—Scholar Program
- S2S—Student-to-Service
- FHP—Federal Health Loan Repayment Program
- SHP—State Health Loan Repayment Program
- BHP—Behavioral Health Loan Repayment Program