

By creating new access points for screening and services, and enlisting new partners within the healthcare safety net, the Foundation aims to create a more comprehensive system of support for [survivors of domestic violence](#). Awarding core operating grants to California's community health centers is one way to help ensure that these frontline providers have the flexible funds they need to serve and respond to many of the most vulnerable Californians - including those experiencing abuse.

Below are key findings related to domestic violence as reported by our 2014–2015 Core Support Initiative grantees.

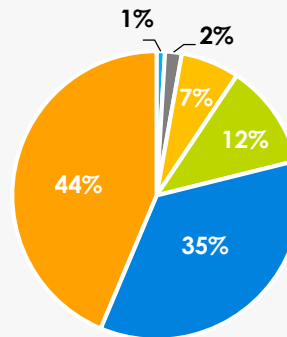


Since 2003, Blue Shield of California Foundation has provided [general operating support](#) to community health centers (CHCs) across the state. Between 2014 and 2015, **217 CHCs** received core support grants.

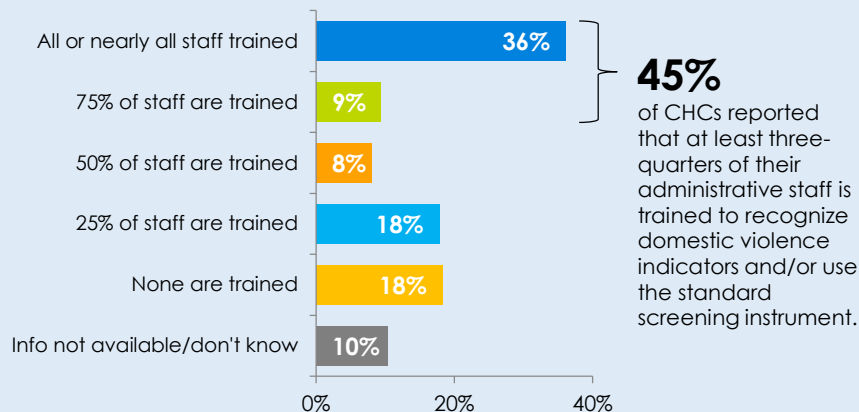
Screenings for Exposure to Domestic Violence

The percentage of CHCs that screen all of their patients for domestic violence has risen year-by-year from 39% in 2012 to 44% in 2014.

- All patients screened for possible exposure to domestic violence (DV)
- Patients always screened when the clinician suspects exposure
- Patients sometimes screened when the clinician suspects exposure
- Information not available/don't know
- Patients rarely screened when the clinician suspects exposure
- Patients are never screened for exposure



Staff Training to Recognize Domestic Violence



Tracking Referrals



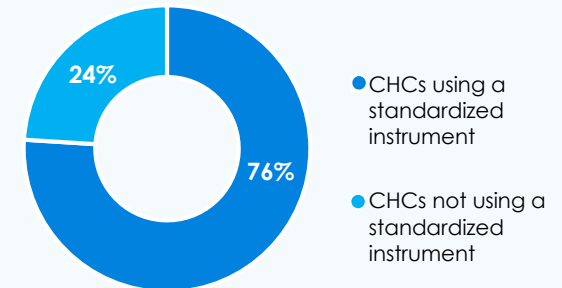
26% of CHCs provide direct patient referrals to domestic violence service agencies.

Total number* of referrals made: **1,417**

*Note: some clinics refer but do not collect tracking data

Use of Standardized Assessment Instrument

The vast majority of CHCs (76%) have a standardized assessment instrument (either written, verbal, or electronic) that they use to assess patient needs related to domestic violence.



Assessment Instrument Use by CHC Operating Budget Size

