Public Health Institute of Metropolitan Chicago (PHIMC) enhances the capacity of public health and healthcare systems to promote health equity and expand access to services. Through organizational development, system transformation, fiscal management, and program implementation, PHIMC leads efforts to strengthen the public health infrastructure in Illinois.

PHIMC administers National Health Corps Chicago (NHC Chicago), an operating site of the National Health Corps (NHC) AmeriCorps program. NHC’s mission is to foster healthy communities by connecting those who need it most with health and wellness education, benefits, and services, while developing tomorrow’s compassionate health leaders.

“PHIMC’s supportive leadership has strengthened the National Health Corps Chicago, giving organizations like Erie Family Health Center the capacity to reach more community members in need of health services and education.”

- Dr. Lee Francis, President & CEO
  Erie Family Health Center

Host Site Partner Model
As the NHC Chicago operating site, PHIMC identifies strong organizational partners to host its NHC Chicago members. 2019-20 partners include:

- Advocate Children's Hospital
- Advocate Trinity Hospital
- Erie Family Health Center
- Friends of the Park
- Girls in the Game
- Heartland Health Centers
- Illinois Eye Institute at CPS Princeton School
- Illinois Eye Institute, Diabetes Eye Care Center
- Northwest Side Housing Center
- Proviso Partners for Health - PHIMC
- Respiratory Health Association
- Southwest Organizing Project

NHC Chicago members improve health outcomes in underserved communities through building host site partners’ organizational capacity to provide efficient, high-quality services and to reach new populations.

The Public Health Impact
Each NHC Chicago member commits to 1700 hours of service over a 46-week term of service.

During the 2015-16 service year, members provided health services to 24,350 people in Chicago communities:

- Health Education: 9,699 people
- Access to Care: 7,684 people
- Screening & Testing: 6,539 people
- Primary and Preventative Health Care Services: 4,428 people

Member Experience
In addition to hands-on public health experience serving Chicago communities, NHC Chicago members engage in training, professional development, and ethic of service reflections. NHC Chicago aims to provide a transformational experience that fosters the next generation of health leaders committed to reducing health disparities.

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