Uniform Data System (UDS) - NMHC

The Uniform Data System (UDS) is an integrated reporting system through which grantees report data concerning patient demographics, staffing and utilization, selected diagnoses and services rendered, quality of care indicators, health outcomes and disparities, finances, and revenues. The data collected through UDS are analyzed to ensure compliance with legislative mandates, report program accomplishments, and justify budget requests to the U.S. Congress. The data help to identify trends over time, enabling HRSA to establish or expand targeted programs and identify effective services and interventions to improve the health of underserved communities and vulnerable populations. UDS data are compared with national data to look at differences between the U.S. population at large and those individuals and families who rely on the health care safety net for primary care. UDS data also inform Nurse Managed Health Center Program grantees, partners and communities about Nurse Managed Health Centers and their patients.

The end-to-end process of UDS reporting and review is accomplished through a web application that is integrated with HRSA’s Electronic Handbooks (EHB). The UDS report is a performance report, submitted annually to report data collected during the previous calendar year.

For more on UDS for Nurse Managed Health Centers in the HRSA Electronic Handbooks, please go to https://grants3.hrsa.gov/2010/WebTrainingInternal/Interface/CTB/UDS_TA_Slides_for_NMHC.htm