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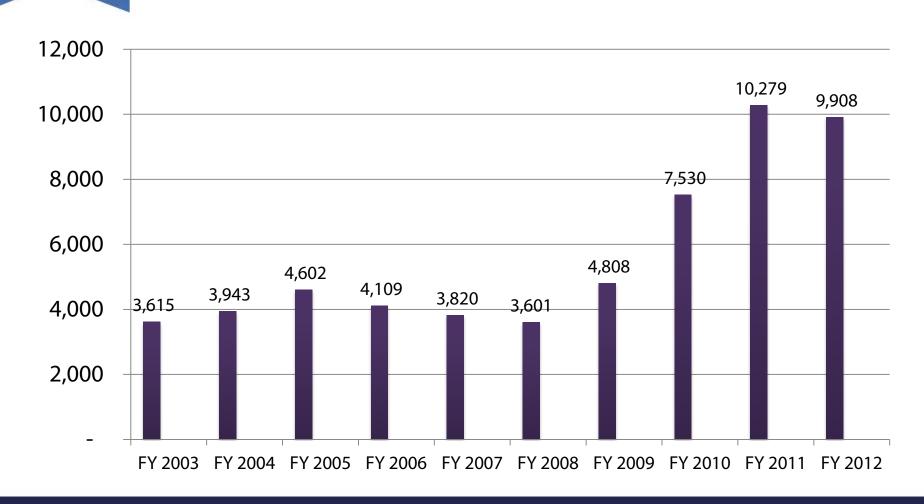
NHSC Field Strength NAC January 2013 Update

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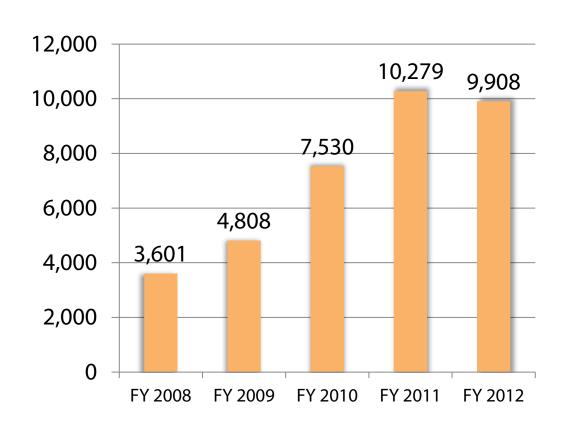
10-Year History







Impact of American Reinvestment Recovery Act and Affordable Care Act Funding

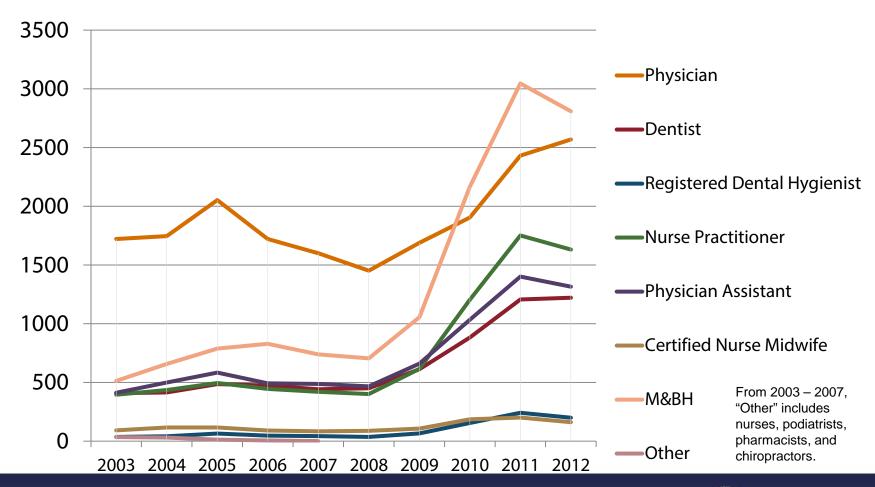


- ARRA and ACA funding have allowed for the Corps' historic growth
- •In 2011, the Corps had 3 sources of funding (annual appropriations, ARRA, and ACA funds); and the field strength was at its highest
- •The 2012 field strength is almost 3X the size of 2008's field strength, when the Corps had only annual appropriations





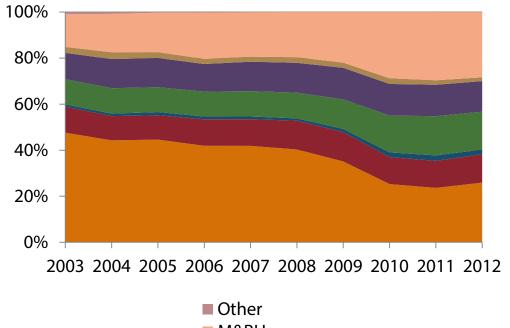
NHSC Field Strength 2003 - 2012







NHSC Field Strength Proportions



- M&BH
- Certified Nurse Midwife
- Physician Assistant
- Nurse Practitioner
- Registered Dental Hygienist
- Dentist
- Physician

- Over the years, Oral Health disciplines, PAs, NPs, and CNMs have maintained their proportions in the Corps
- •In general, Mental & Behavioral Health representation in the Corps has grown, while physicians have decreased.

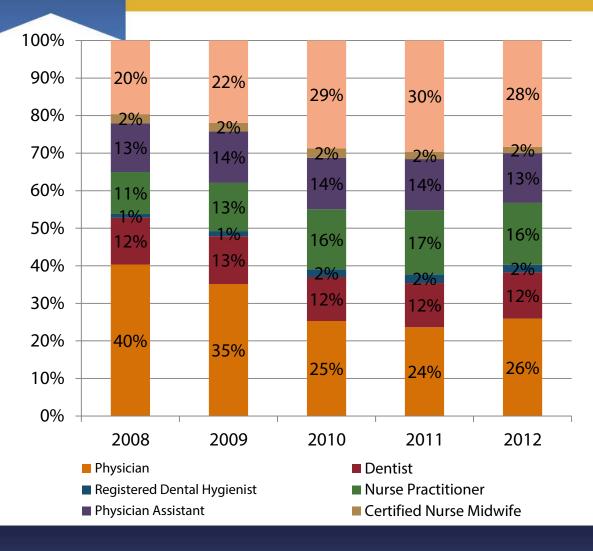
From 2003 – 2007, "Other" includes nurses, podiatrists, pharmacists, and chiropractors.







Field Strength Proportions 2008 - 2012



Physicians and Dentists are the only two disciplines that have experienced an increase in percentage in the Corps from 2011 to 2012

- •Physicians have grown from 23.7% to 25.9%
- •Dentists have grown from 11.7% to 12.3%

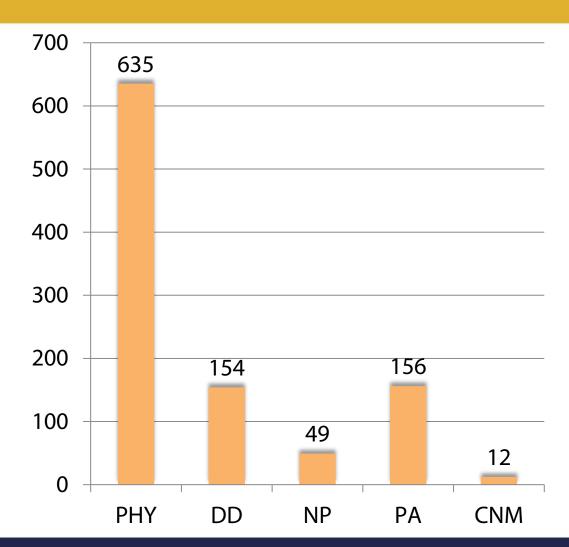




NHSC 2012 Pipeline

In addition to the NHSC Field Strength, over 1,000 NHSC students and residents are in the pipeline to expand the next generation of providers in underserved areas.

The NHSC Pipeline includes students who are still in school, students in post-graduate training, and students who are looking for placement.







2012 Field Strength Diversity

RACE	
Caucasian	72%
African American	13%
Asian or Pacific Islander	7%
American Indian or	1%
Alaskan Native	
None Selected	9%
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Hispanic	10%
Non-Hispanic	20%
None Selected	70%

Within disciplines:

- African American physicians represented 17% of Corps physicians, exceeding their 6.3% share in the national physician workforce
- Hispanic physicians represented 16% of Corps physicians, compared to only 5.5% in the national physician workforce
- American Indian/Alaskan Native physicians represented 1% of Corps physicians, larger than their 0.5% share in the national physician workforce
- Hispanic dentists represented 14% of Corps dentists, compared to only 7.9% in the national dental workforce





Health Professional Shortage Areas

HPSAs are based on shortages of primary medical care, dental or mental health providers and are used by HRSA, other Federal Agencies, and States to prioritize recruitment and retention of primary health professionals and for enhanced physician reimbursement rates for practicing providers in these designated shortage areas.

As of December 27, 2012, there are:

- **5,848 Primary Care HPSAs** with 56.8 million people living in them. It would take 15,297 practitioners to meet their need for primary care providers.
- **4,585 Dental HPSAs** with 45 million people living in them. It would take 9,060 practitioners to meet their need for dental providers.
- **3,802 Mental Health HPSAs** with 90.6 million people living in them. It would take 5,834 practitioners to meet their need for mental health providers.





Discussion Questions

