



# Pinellas County Health Plan

**Low Income Pool Council Presentation  
December 15, 2008**

# **Health and Human Services Department - Mission**

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**To improve the quality of life for all residents of Pinellas County by providing, coordinating and advocating for health care and essential human services for those most in need in our community**

# History of Success

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- FY2002-09 Pinellas County committed \$158,233,232 in IGTs and Certified funds to AHCA for the UPL / LIP programs
  - Generating an additional \$28,424,518 for indigent health care services
  - Resulting in over \$80 million in hospital payments for County plan enrolled clients and uncompensated inpatient and ED care
- FY2002-08 Pinellas County has paid over \$45 million in inpatient hospital bills for Medicaid clients (separately funded & paid)

# “Nothing endures but Change”

Heraclitus (540 BC – 480 BC)

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- 1959 County contracts with Mound Park Hospital (now Bayfront Hospital) to provide medical services to the low income
- 1968 County opens first medical clinic
- 1988 – Mobile Medical Van Program started, now serves both homeless and low income
- 1996-97 County closes clinics and contracts health care with a private health care network
- 2001 County contributes \$ to UPL program
- 2008 Medical Home Model

# **Pinellas County Health Plan – Vision / Goals**

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- **Improve access to primary care, specialty care and oral health services**
- **Reduce unnecessary use of hospital inpatient and emergency room services**
- **Improve client's health status so they can seek assistance from an employment case manager and find a job, or pursue alternative benefits for the fully disabled**

# Medical Home Model

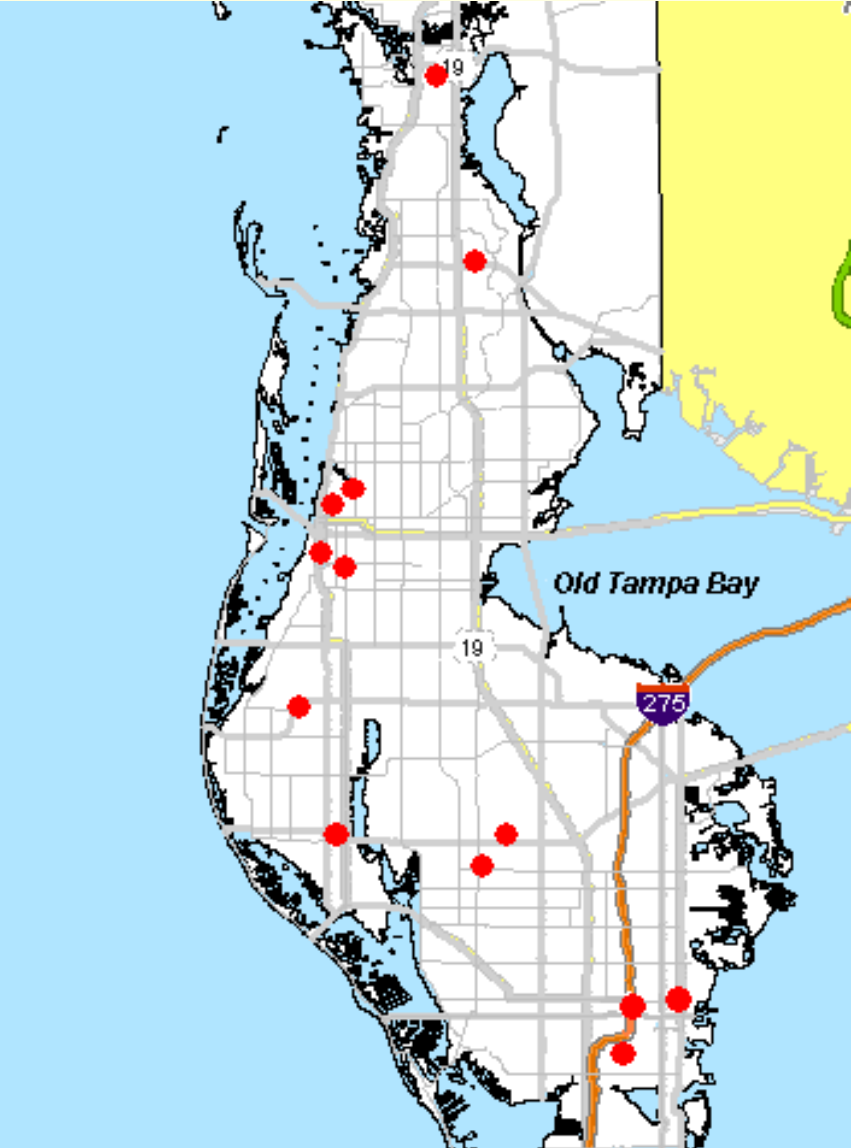


# Plan Eligibility

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- **Pinellas County Resident**
- **Between the ages of 18 and 64**
- **Uninsured and not eligible for other public assistance programs**
- **Federal income guidelines (100% FPL)**
  - **Asset test for services beyond primary**
- **Be a U.S. citizen or legal resident**

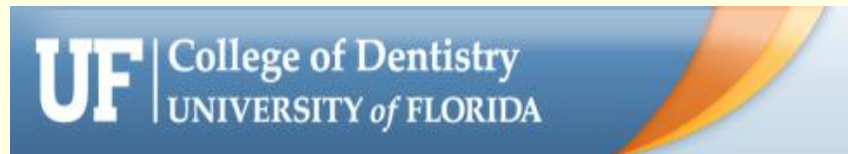
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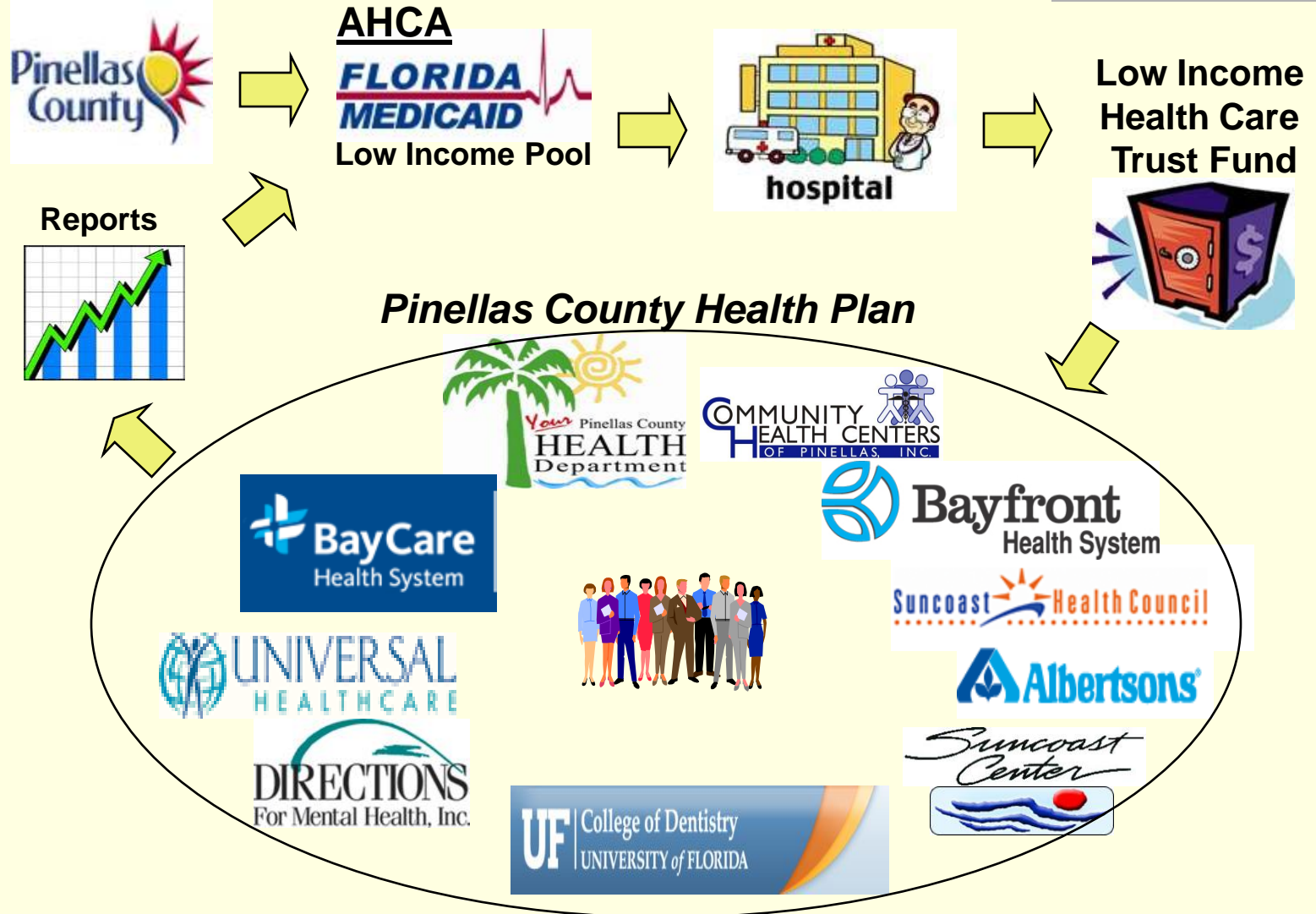
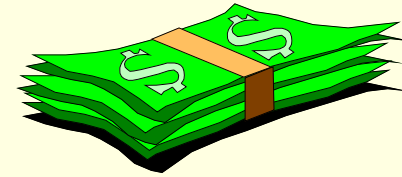
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# “Pinellas Plan” Partners



# Follow the Money



# Take-away

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- History of successful collaboration with Pinellas County government
- Pinellas County government is committed to our shared mission of providing health services to the low-income uninsured
- The Pinellas County Health Plan can help you achieve your goal of expanding services to the low-income uninsured