

WELCOME!

Illinois Community Health Worker Policy Update & How You Can Get Involved

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Land Acknowledgement

We recognize and acknowledge that we live and work in the land of the Peoria (Pea-Or-E-ah), Miami (My-Am-E), Kickapoo (KICK-a-poo), Potawatomi (Pot-tah-WAH-tah-mee), Nations.

These lands were the traditional territory of these Native Nations prior to their forced removal. They continue to carry the stories of their struggles for survival and identity today on these and other lands.

As organizations located in the Chicagoland area, we are obligated to hold these histories and contemporary struggles in our mind today as we talk about community, belonging, and health.

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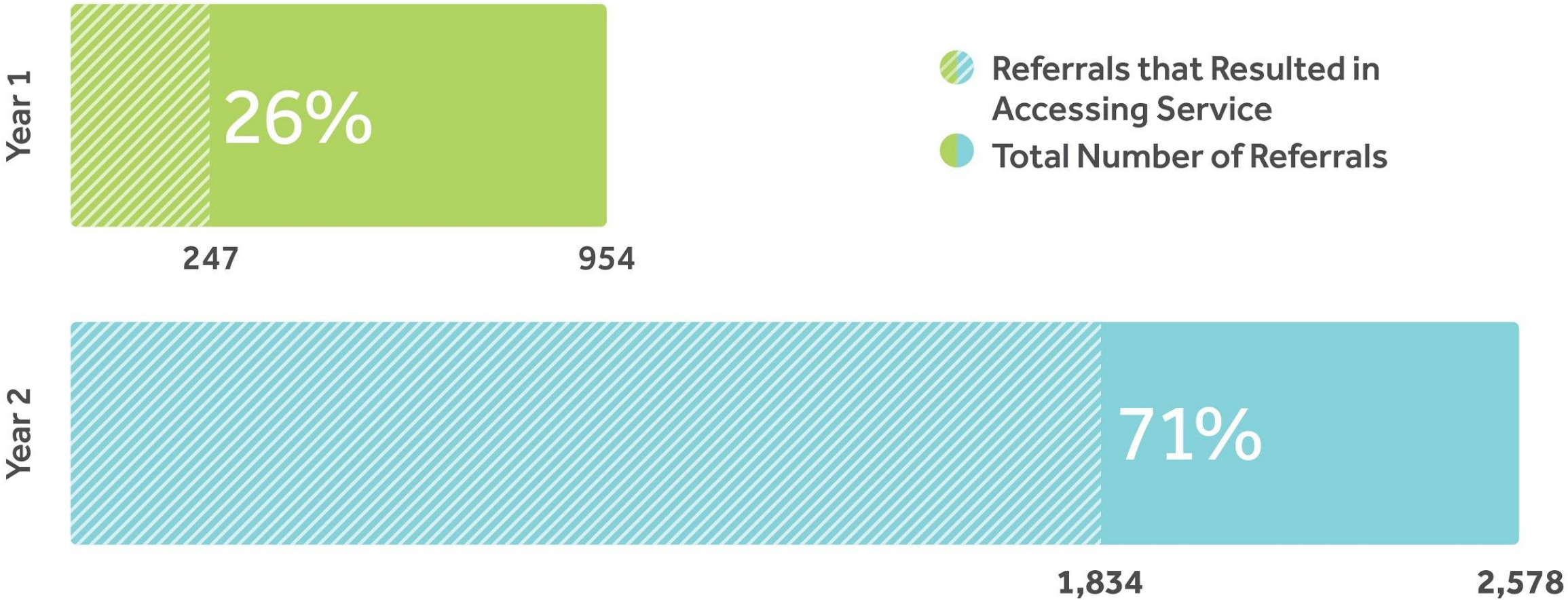
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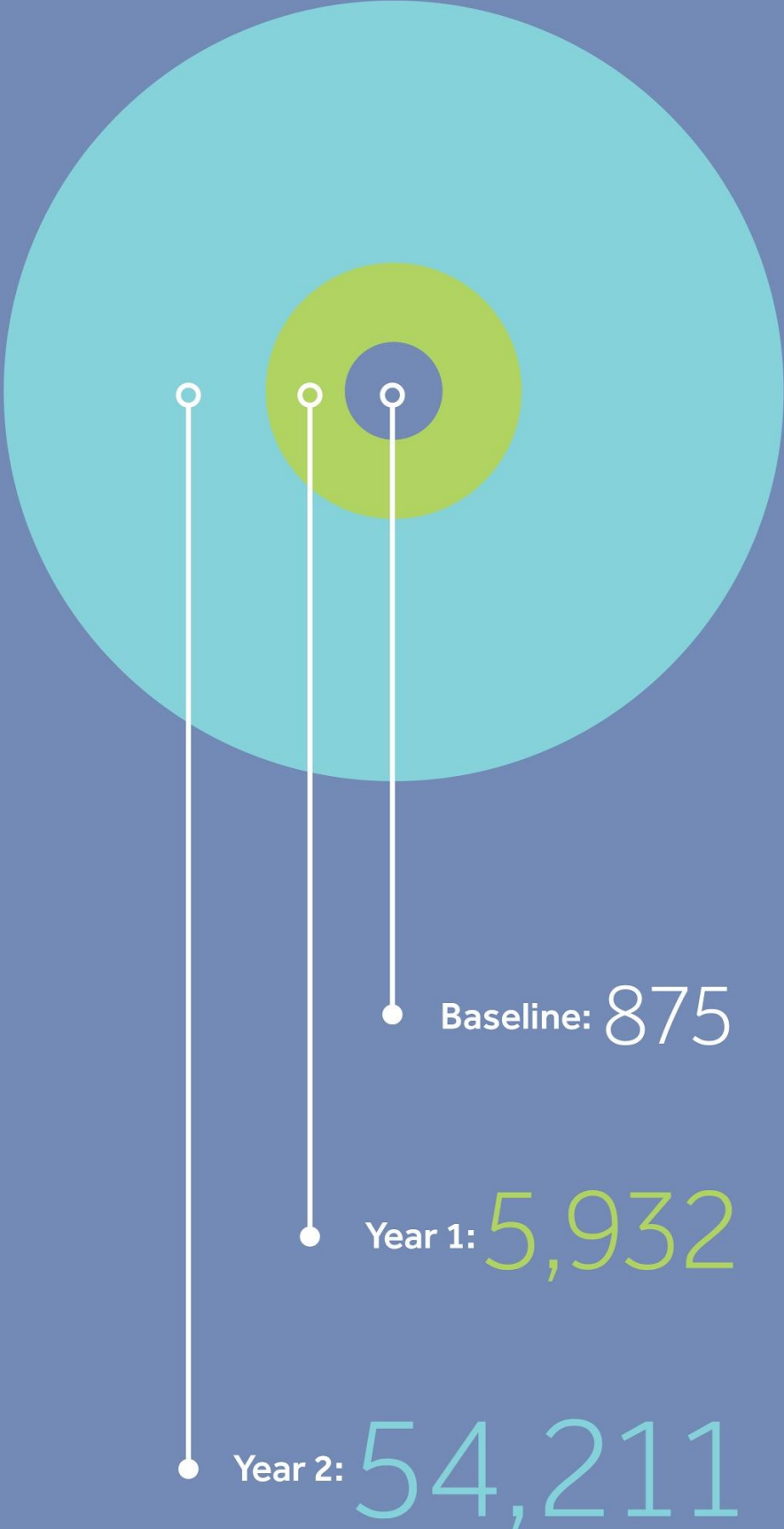
Spotlight on CHWs

CHW Pilot Year 2 Data

Closed-Loop Referrals



New Contacts



Illinois CHW Legislation

HOUSE
BILL **158**

SENATE
BILL **336**



TRAINING



CERTIFICATION



REIMBURSEMENT

WHAT THIS MEANS NOW FOR:

CHWS

CHW EMPLOYERS

CHW ALLIES⁷

LOCAL OPPORTUNITIES

FUNDING EXAMPLES

CAREER

PATHWAYS

PUBLIC & PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

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Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) serves suburban Cook County*

- CCDPH Community Health Worker Initiative
- Funding secured through end of 2026
- Concurrent Internal & External Phases

Key Takeaways:

- Committed to supporting CBOs in hiring and training of CHWs, interorganizational collaboration and information-sharing, and advancement of advocacy for CHW policy changes.
- Funding opportunity will be announced by this Spring if not earlier
- Establishing of the suburban Cook County CHW learning collaborative

*Cook County exclusive of Chicago, Evanston, Oak Park, Skokie, and Stickney Township - 2.5 million people in 125 municipalities

please put your questions in the chat

Q&A

**MORE
QUESTIONS?**

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LINKS & RESOURCES

WWW.NACHW.ORG

WWW.SINAICHICAGO.ORG

Learn more about the pilot:

[*“Trusted Messengers: Year 2 Learnings of Community Health Worker Pilot in Suburban Cook County”*](#)

“The HUB” WWW.HEALTHCONNECTIONHUB.ORG

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