WE WANT TO ADVOCATE WITH YOU!

The Public Justice Center is working with Community Health Workers (CHWs) and other advocates to build a coalition that will advocate for reimbursement of CHW services and work to address other inequities in the field.

The coalition’s advocacy will be shaped by the experiences and expertise of Maryland’s CHW community and their priorities.

CHWs play a crucial role in improving health outcomes for Maryland’s low-income patients, but they report facing a host of barriers in their work, including lack of stable funding sources and respect and recognition as an important member of the patient care team.

TOGETHER WE CAN CHANGE THIS!

CHWs reduce racial and economic health inequalities and have a unique understanding of the communities they serve. They go beyond medical issues and the doctor’s office to promote overall well being.

CHWs reduce the rate of hospital readmissions. Every dollar invested in CHW interventions yields $2.47 in annual returns to the average Medicaid payer.

AND YET...

70-80% of CHW positions are funded by inconsistent or time-limited sources like grants and pilot programs. CHWs are underappreciated, underpaid, and underutilized.

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