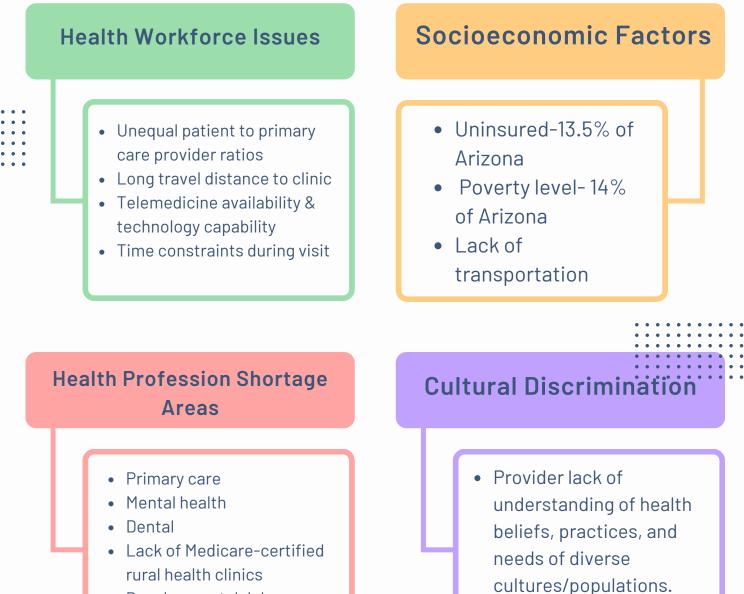
BARRIERS TO HEALTHCARE IN ARIZONA



• Developmental delay specialist.

Language barrier

Economic Stability Poverty-14% of

- Arizona
- Unemployment
- Lack of high school

Geographic Isolation

- Rural and frontier communities
- Long travel times
- Border patrol



Medical cost



Strategies for Improving **Health Access**

- Incentivize providers to work in designated healthcare shortage areas and specialties.
- Develop more discounted/sliding scale clinics, mobile clinics, and programs to assist individuals with financial barriers.
- Leverage telehealth availability in all communities.
- Develop community-based initiatives to educate and engage people in healthcare services.
- Provide healthcare professionals with cultural competency training.
- Implement health literacy campaigns for patients to navigate the healthcare system.
- Implement interventions that increase high school graduation rates.
- Develop and implement programs and policies that make food, housing, healthcare, and education more affordable.
- Employment program, career counseling, jobs, education opportunities to lowincome and unemployed populations.

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