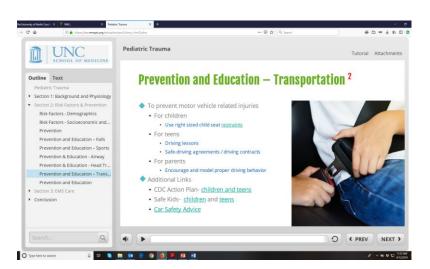


# **Project Goal**

- ► Improve EMS care for children through the use of performance improvement feedback tools
  - Trauma
  - Respiratory Distress
  - Sepsis

► Audience: EMS Systems and their providers in North Carolina

► Timeframe: September 2016 - August 2019







#### Partners

- UNC School of Medicine
- State Advisory Panel
- NC Office of EMS
- > ESO Solutions
- > AHEConnect
- Eight NC EMS Systems
- > NREMT



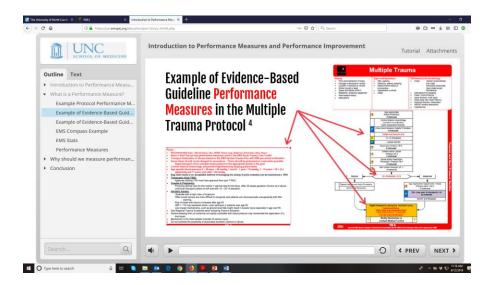


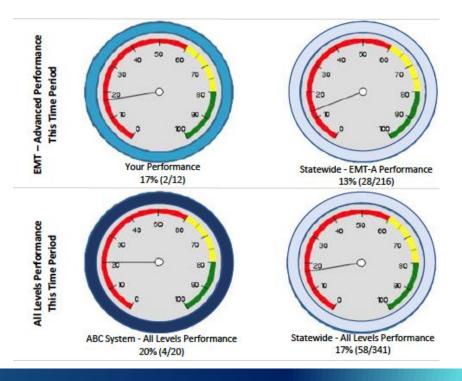




## **Project Activities**

- 2017 & 2019 State Advisory Panels
- Social media campaign
- Performance Adherence Reports
- Online educational courses
- Focus groups
- EMS provider change in performance





### Deliverables to-date...

- State Advisory Panel
- ► PARs
- ► Education
- Social Media Campaign
  - Assessed national EMS use of social media
  - ► Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn
  - Regularly posting
  - Beginning to target providers with personalized messages to encourage
     PAR use



## State Advisory Panel

#### Members:

NC Office of EMS staff, NCEMSC Program staff, EMS providers, EMS administrators, pediatric and EM physicians, a school nurse, a parent, and a teen



#### Purpose:

- > 2017
  - > Shared goals, methods, & deliverables
  - Acquired feedback on online educational courses, PARs, social media campaign
- > 2019
  - > Shared progress to date & challenges
  - > Discuss further recommendations and future direction



## PAR Reports

- ➤ Identified 13 performance measures based on NC EMS protocols
  - Protocols used:
  - Multiple Trauma
  - > Trauma & Burn Destination Plan
  - Suspected Sepsis
  - Pediatric Asthma / Respiratory Distress
  - Pediatric Airway
  - > Pediatric Allergic Reaction

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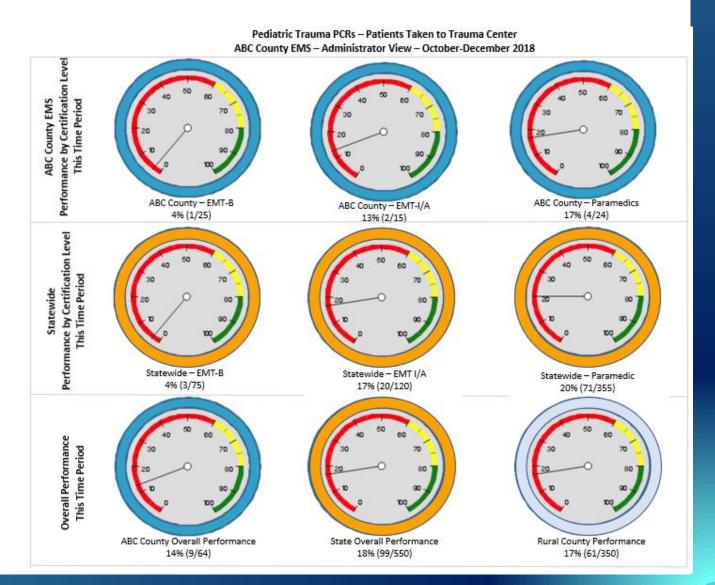
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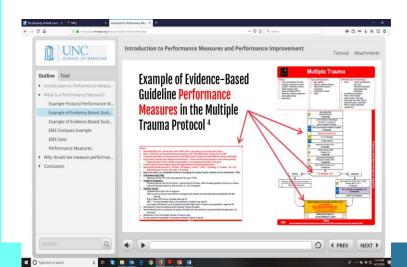
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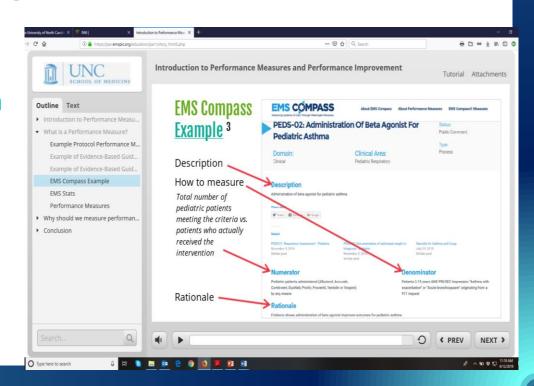
- Originally releasing 3 pediatric PARs
  - ► Developed 3 equivalent adult versions
- ► Provider & admin views
- ► Released early 2019
- Tracking any changes to EMS protocols



#### Education

- Originally releasing 5 courses, developed 4 and 1 user manual
  - Introduction to Performance Measures & Performance Improvement
  - Performance Adherence Reports for Respiratory Emergencies
  - Performance Adherence Reports for Sepsis
  - Performance Adherence Reports for Pediatric Trauma





#### Education

- Originally releasing 3 podcasts, developed 4 w/ another on the way!
  - ► Episode 1: Pediatric Trauma
  - ► Episode 2: Pediatric Upper Respiratory Distress
  - ► Episode 3: Pediatric Lower Respiratory Distress
  - ► Episode 4: Pediatric Head Trauma
  - ► Episode 5: Pediatric Sepsis

## Social Media Campaign

- Active presence on the following social media platforms:
  - Facebook
    - ▶ 199 followers; 322 posts
  - Twitter
    - ► 156 followers; 631 tweets
  - Instagram
    - ► 59 followers; 228 posts
  - ► LinkedIn
    - 47 connections; 139 posts

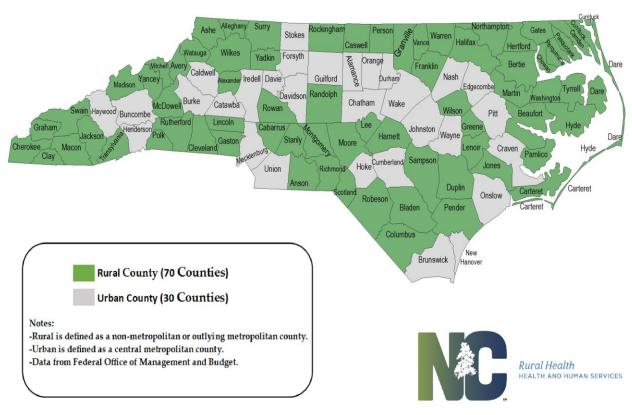




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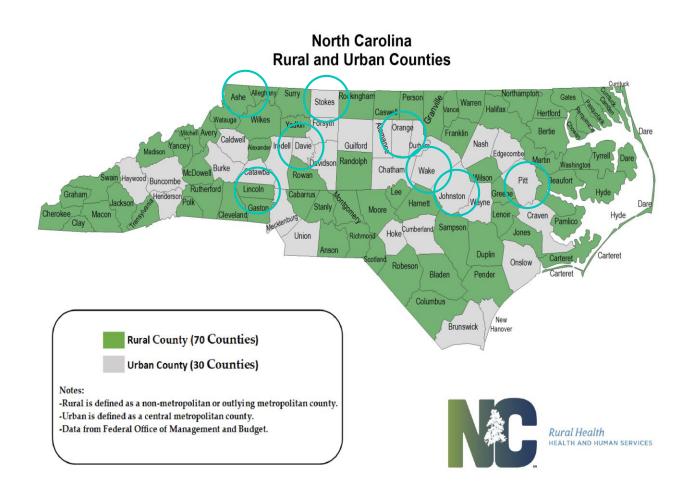
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#### North Carolina Rural and Urban Counties



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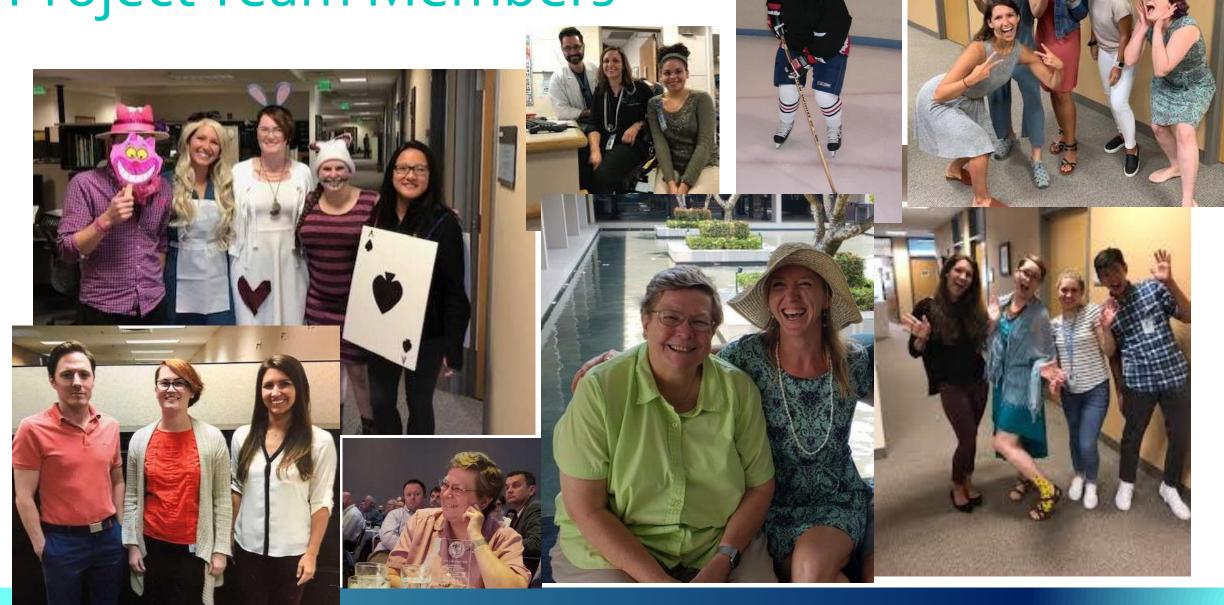
- Focus groups
  - ► Fall 2019
  - EMS providers and administrators
  - What do EMS and admin identify as useful, as barriers, and as necessities to performance improvement?
- ► Education and PAR access
  - How often are these accessed by providers and admin?
- ► EMS Provider Change in Behavior
  - ► NC EMS records



# Future of the project

- ► Phase 2 Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator (PECC) Project
- Develop a standard PECC position
- ► Implement PECCs in 10 rural counties
  - Providing training, peer community support, online portal
- Develop an alert system
- More PARs
  - Focus on national performance measures
- More education
  - Shorter, more focused on performance





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