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The Northeast Texas Regional Healthcare Partnership (RHP 1)

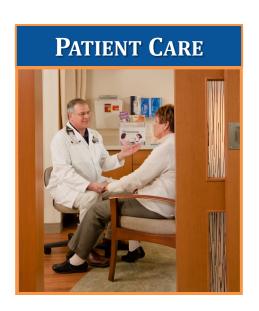
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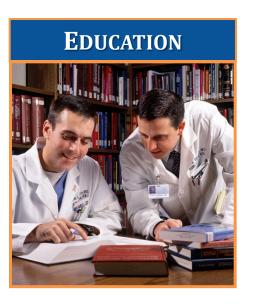




- As the only academic medical center in rural Northeast Texas, we serve a region the size of West Virginia, a population of over 1.3 million, and have an annual impact of nearly half a billion dollars.
- We exist to meet the needs of our region and State through our three-part mission:







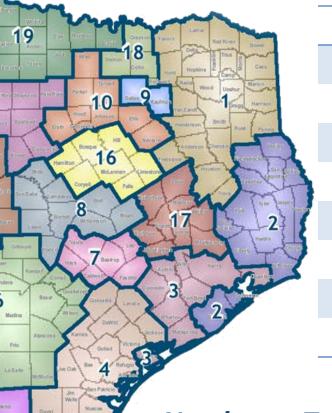




- UT Health Northeast has three roles in the 1115 Waiver:
 - **Anchor**: Administrator for the Northeast Texas Regional Healthcare Partnership, roughly \$456 million partnership with three dozen providers, including hospitals, mental health authorities, and public health departments
 - **Provider**: Responsible for \$155 million in DSRIP projects
 - IGT Entity: Provides the non-federal share of waiver payments based on Federal Medical Assistance Percentages (FMAP)



Northeast Texas



	Northeast Texas	Texas
Population	1.3 million	25.1 million
Counties	28	254
Rural Population	53.9%	17.5%
Median Age	41	33.6
Per Capita Income	\$19,386	\$24,870
Bachelor's Degree	13.2%	25.8%
Minority Population	24.8%	29.6%
Hispanic Origin	13.1%	37.6%

Northeast Texas is older, poorer, less well educated and at greater risk of early death than the state average.

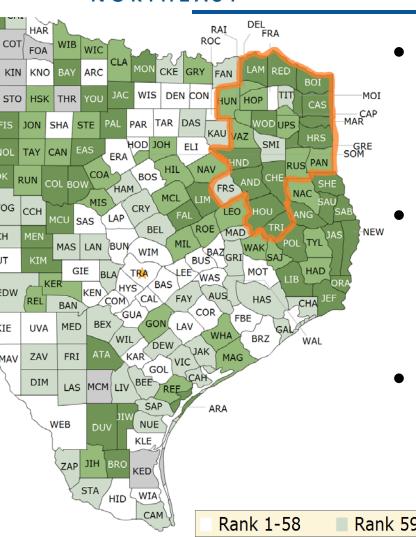


Healthcare Challenges

- Primary Care Workforce: In some areas, the ratio of patients to primary care providers is five times worse than the statewide average and eight times worse than the national benchmark.
- Behavioral Health Workforce: The ratio of patients to mental health providers in some communities is nearly 25,000 to 1, seven times worse than the state average.
- Mental/Behavioral Health: An estimated 85,000 individuals in the region have a serious mental illness and 113,000 need treatment for substance abuse but do not receive it. *The region has a suicide rate 65% higher than the rate for Texas.*



Health Outcomes & Risk Factors



- **Health Outcomes:** Over half of counties in Northeast Texas are in the bottom quartile of counties in health outcomes.
- **Health Risk Factors:** Over one third of counties in Northeast Texas are in the bottom quartile of counties in health risk factors.
- **Potentially Preventable** Hospitalizations: \$2.8 billion in unnecessary charges from 2005-2010.

Rank 59-116

Rank 117-174

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Not Ranked



Projects by Provider Types

• The regional health plan includes projects by a diverse provider base

Provider Type	Total Providers	Total Projects	% of Plan Projects
Public Hospital or Academic Health Science Center	9	41	39.8%
Privately Owned or Controlled	10	38	36.9%
Local Mental Health Authority	5	22	21.4%
Public Health Department	2	2	1.9%



Regional Health Plan

 Clear focus of the regional health plan is on addressing the most pressing community needs

Community Need	Total Projects	Total Value	% of Plan (Value)
Primary & Specialty Care	37	\$183.2m	41.99%
Behavioral Health Services	21	\$78.5m	17.99%
Care Navigation (ED Use)	13	\$46.8m	10.72%
TOP 3 PROJECT AREAS:	71	\$308.5m	70.7%



Sample Projects

- **Primary/Specialty Care:** Creation of medical homes, expanded hour clinics, pediatric obesity interventions, emergency room diversion programs, pediatric asthma.
- Behavioral Health: Crisis stabilization centers, jail diversion projects, behavioral-physical health integration, technology infrastructure to better coordinate care.
- Other: Community health worker training, potentially preventable admissions/readmissions reduction programs, cancer screening and early detection.



Initial Outcomes

- At least 500,000 new encounters for patients in underserved rural communities.
 - At least 50,000 encounters in behavioral health
 - Primary care, care coordination, and medical home account for the largest amount of new encounters and individuals served
- Provider-level quality indicators are trending upwards.
 - Primary Care & Chronic Disease Management
 - Potentially Preventable Admissions & Readmissions



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