



# Project ECHO<sup>®</sup> (Extension for Community Health Outcomes)

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**At ECHO, our mission is to democratize medical knowledge and get best practice care to underserved people all over the world.**

**Our goal is to touch the lives of 1 billion people by 2025.**

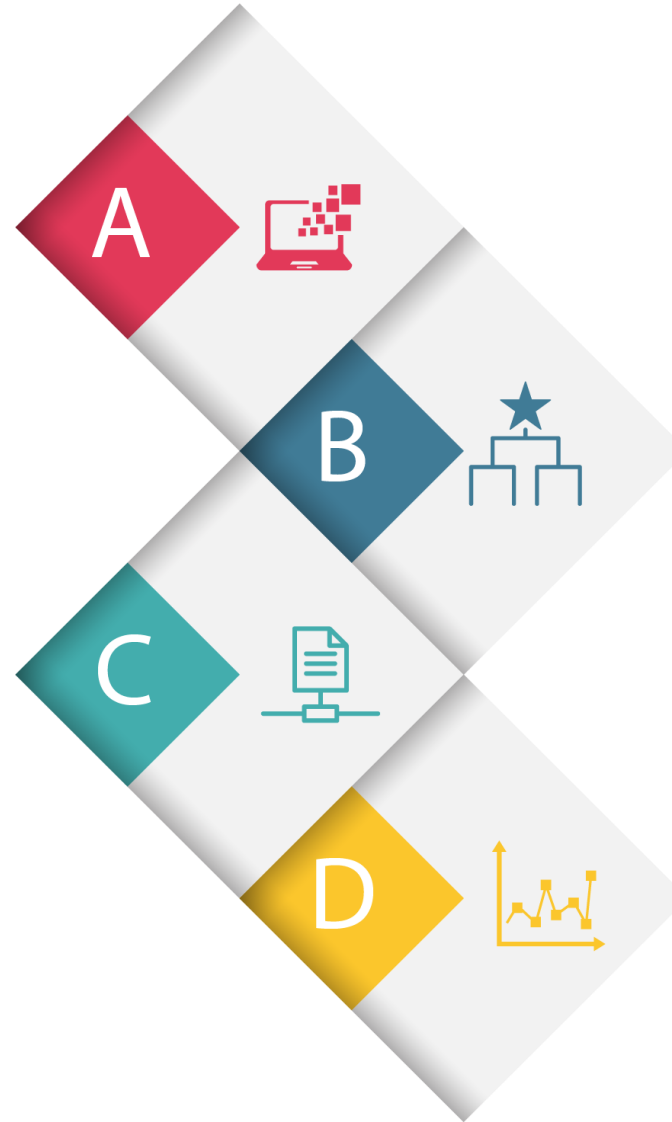
Project  
**ECHO**®

**Moving Knowledge Instead of  
Patients and Providers**



# The ECHO Model

**A**mplification – Use **T**echnology to leverage scarce resources



Share **B**est Practices to reduce disparity

**C**ase Based Learning to master complexity

Web-based **D**atabase to **M**onitor **O**utcomes

# Benefits to Rural Clinicians

- No cost CMEs and Nursing CEUs
- Professional interaction with colleagues with similar interest
  - Less isolation with improved recruitment and retention
- A mix of work and learning
- Access to specialty consultation with GI, hepatology, psychiatry, infectious diseases, addiction specialist, pharmacist, patient educator



ECHO Whale



PCA Española



Baton Rouge



Pecos Valley MC



DOH Las Cruces



SBRT-First Choice South Vc

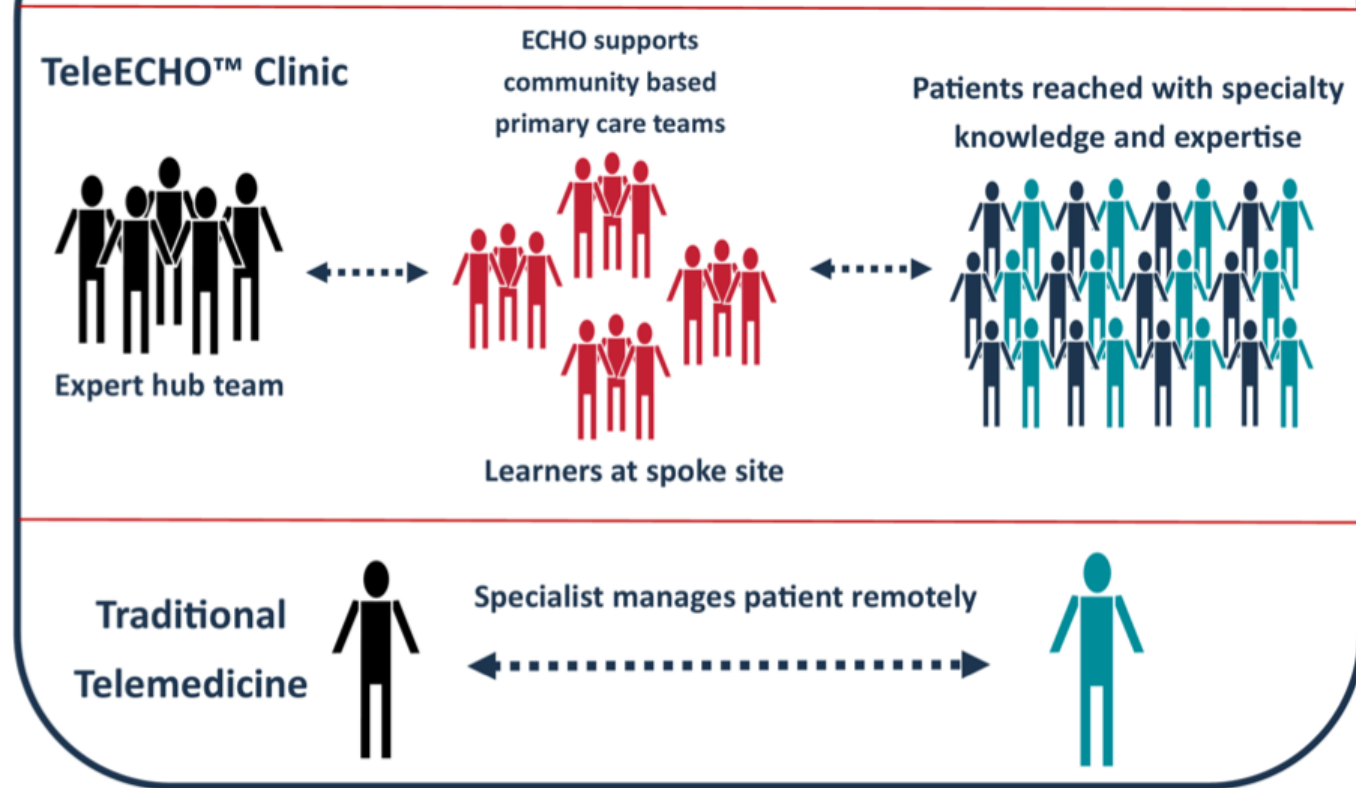


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# ECHO vs. Telemedicine



**ECHO model is not ‘traditional telemedicine’.**

**Treating Physician retains responsibility for managing patient.**

# Project ECHO Clinicians

## HCV Knowledge Skills and Abilities (Self-Efficacy)

scale: 1 = none or no skill at all 7= expert-can teach others

Community Clinicians N=25	<u>BEFORE</u> Participation MEAN (SD)	<u>TODAY</u> MEAN (SD)	Paired Difference (p-value) MEAN (SD)	<u>Effect Size</u> for the change
1. Ability to identify suitable candidates for treatment for HCV.	2.8 (1.2)	5.6 (0.8)	2.8 (1.2) ( $<0.0001$ )	2.4
2. Ability to assess severity of liver disease in patients with HCV.	3.2 (1.2)	5.5 (0.9)	2.3 (1.1) ( $< 0.0001$ )	2.1
3. Ability to treat HCV patients and manage side effects.	2.0 (1.1)	5.2 (0.8)	3.2 (1.2) ( $<0.0001$ )	2.6

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4. Ability to assess and manage psychiatric co-morbidities in patients with hepatitis C.	2.6 (1.2)	5.1 (1.0)	2.4 (1.3) ( $<0.0001$ )	1.9
5. Serve as local consultant within my clinic and in my area for HCV questions and issues.	2.4 (1.2)	5.6 (0.9)	3.3 (1.2) ( $< 0.0001$ )	2.8
6. Ability to educate and motivate HCV patients.	3.0 (1.1)	5.7 (0.6)	2.7 (1.1) ( $<0.0001$ )	2.4

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<b>Overall Competence (average of 9 items)</b>	<b>2.8* (0.9)</b>	<b>5.5* (0.6)</b>	<b>2.7 (0.9) (<math>&lt;0.0001</math>)</b>	<b>2.9</b>

Cronbach's alpha for the BEFORE ratings = 0.92 and Cronbach's alpha for the TODAY ratings = 0.86 indicating a high degree of consistency in the ratings on the 9 items.

Arora S., Kalishman S., Thornton K., et al. *Hepatol.* 2010;52(3):1124-33.

# Clinician Benefits

(Data Source; 6 month Q-5/2008)

Benefits N=35	Not/Minor Benefits	Moderate/Major Benefits
Enhanced knowledge about management and treatment of HCV patients.	3% (1)	97% (34)
Being well-informed about symptoms of HCV patients in treatment.	6% (2)	94% (33)
Achieving competence in caring for HCV patients.	3% (1)	98% (34)

# Project ECHO

## Annual Meeting Survey

	Mean Score (Range 1-5)
Project ECHO® has diminished my professional isolation.	4.3
My participation in Project ECHO® has enhanced my professional satisfaction.	4.8
Collaboration among agencies in Project ECHO® is a benefit to my clinic.	4.9
Project ECHO® has expanded access to HCV treatment for patients in our community.	4.9
Access, <u>in general</u> , to specialist expertise and consultation is a major area of need for you and your clinic.	4.9
Access to <u>HCV specialist</u> expertise and consultation is a major area of need for you and your clinic.	4.9

# Outcomes of Treatment for Hepatitis C Virus Infection by Primary Care Providers

Results of the HCV Outcomes Study

# Participants

- Study sites
  - Intervention (ECHO)
    - Community-based clinics: 16
    - New Mexico Department of Corrections: 5
  - Control: University of New Mexico (UNM) Liver Clinic

# Treatment Outcomes

Outcome	ECHO	UNMH	p-value
	n = 261	n = 146	
Minority	68%	49%	p < 0.01
SVR* (Cure) Genotype 1	50%	46%	ns
SVR* (Cure) Genotype 2/3	70%	71%	ns

\*SVR=sustained viral response

Arora S., Thornton K., Murata G., et al. *N Eng J Med.* 2011;364(23):2199-207.

# Conclusions

- Rural primary care Clinicians deliver Hepatitis C care under the aegis of Project ECHO that is as safe and effective as that given in a University clinic.
- Project ECHO improves access to hepatitis C care for New Mexico minorities.



# ECHO Model™ is Cost Effective

- In 60% of Patients treated for HCV the model was cost savings
- Overall Cost per Discounted Quality of Life Year Gained was less than 3500 dollars
- ECHO creates **value** for all stakeholders of the healthcare system: patients, community clinicians, community clinics, communities, specialty care sites, government and 3rd-party payers

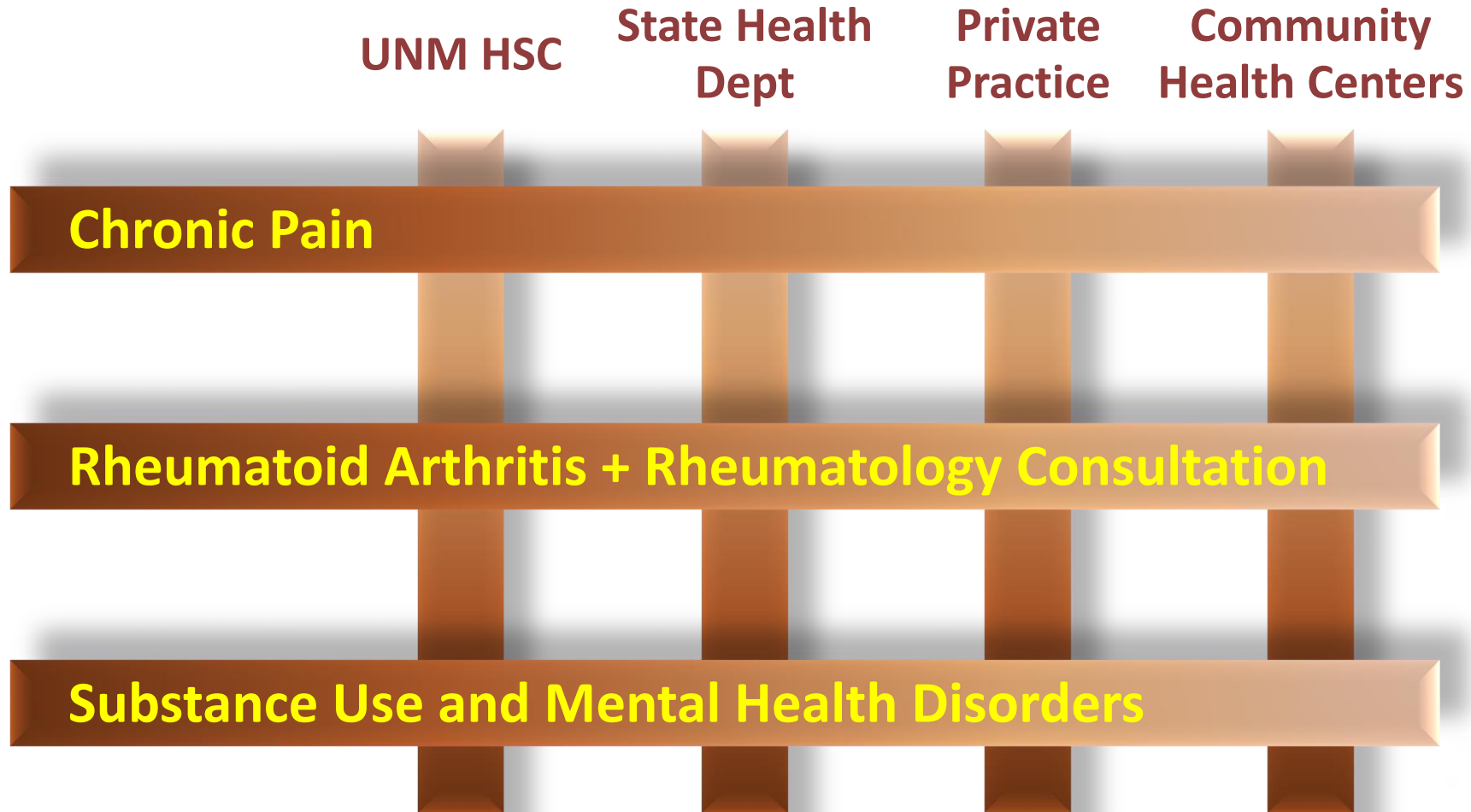
Wong J.B., Thornton K., Carroll C., et al. AADLD Presentation #24, *Hepatology*. 2013;58(S1):330A.

# Disease Selection

- **Common diseases**
- **Management is complex**
- **Evolving treatments and medicines**
- **High societal impact (health and economic)**
- **Serious outcomes of untreated disease**
- **Improved outcomes with disease management**

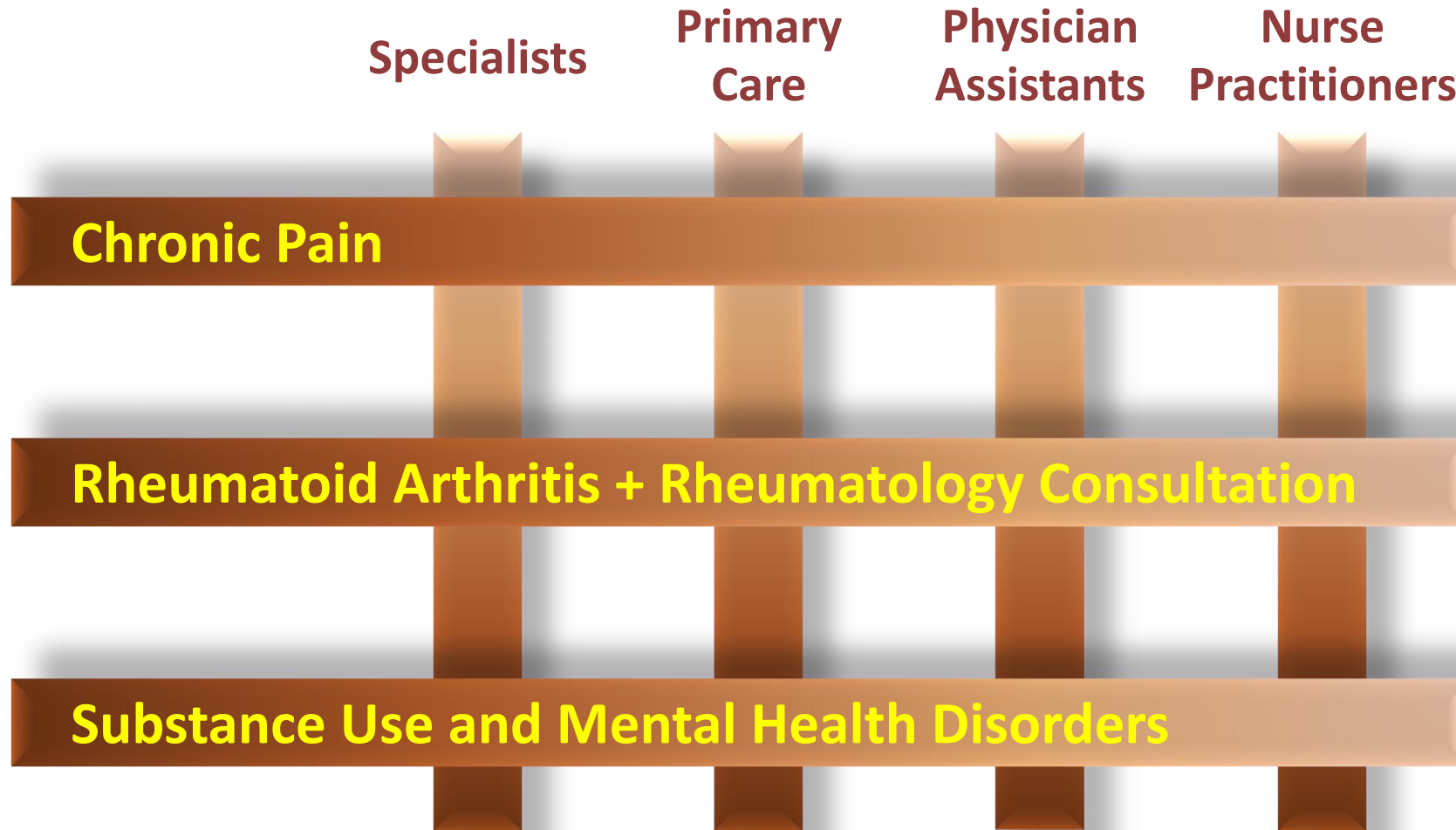
# Bridge Building

## Pareto's Principle



# Force Multiplier

## Use Existing Community Clinicians



# Successful Expansion into Multiple Diseases

MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI
<u>Rheumatology</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bankhurst</li> </ul>	<u>HBV</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thornton</li> </ul>	<u>Community Health Workers</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CHW Team</li> </ul>	<u>CDC Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Struminger</li> </ul>	<u>Opioid Addiction</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Komaromy</li> </ul>
<u>Tuberculosis</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Burgos</li> </ul>	<u>Bone Health</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lewiecki</li> </ul>	<u>Endocrinology &amp; Diabetes</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Bouchonville</u></li> </ul>	<u>Chronic Pain and Opioid Management</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comerci</li> </ul>	<u>Nurse Practitioner/ Certified Midwife Primary Care</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Van Roper</li> </ul>
<u>Cardiology</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Achrekar, Anderson &amp; Yatskowitz</li> </ul>	<u>Crisis Intervention for Community Policing Agencies</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duhigg</li> </ul>	<u>Miners' Wellness</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sood</li> </ul>	<u>Prison Peer Education Program</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thornton</li> </ul>	<u>Integrated Addictions and Psychiatry (IAP)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Komaromy</li> </ul>
<u>Reproductive Health</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Singh</li> </ul>	<u>Seizures and Spells</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Imerman</li> </ul>	<u>Hepatitis C (HCV)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arora</li> </ul>	<u>HIV/ HCV Corrections</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Iandiorio &amp; Thornton</li> </ul>	<u>Antimicrobial Stewardship</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brett, Irizarry &amp; Mercier</li> </ul>

# Project ECHO:

## Views of Participating Providers, Health Workers, And Educators

1 = Strongly Disagree, 5 = Strongly Agree

Benefit	Mean
Through the Project ECHO telehealth clinics, I am <b>learning best-practice care</b> in chronic disease.	4.68
I am <b>connected with peers</b> in the ECHO telehealth clinic whose opinion I respect for professional advice and consultation.	4.55
I <b>learn with guidance</b> from Project ECHO academic specialists in chronic disease management whose knowledge and skills I respect.	4.73
I am <b>connected to and respected by the academic specialists</b> in the ECHO telehealth clinic in which I participate.	4.4
I am <b>developing my clinical expertise</b> through participation in Project ECHO.	4.48
After gaining expertise in the clinical diseases addressed in Project ECHO, I am <b>comfortable teaching others what I have learned</b> .	4.33

Arora S., Kalishman S., Dion D., et al. *Health Aff (Millwood)*. 2011;30(6):1176-84.

Patient Benefit	Mean
My participation in Project ECHO <b>benefits patients under my care</b> whom I co-manage with ECHO specialists.	4.45
The <b>patients</b> under my care whom I co-manage with ECHO specialists <b>receive best-practice care</b> .	4.43
My participation in Project ECHO <b>benefits the patients</b> under my care <b>whom I do not co-manage with ECHO specialists</b> .	4.19
I <b>apply what I have learned</b> about best practices through Project ECHO <b>to all of my patients with similar chronic diseases</b> .	4.45
I <b>feel comfortable applying the principles I learned from Project ECHO to other patients</b> in my practice with similar chronic disease, independently, without presenting them on the network.	4.23

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# ECHO-AGE

Beth Israel Deaconess Boston

- **2:1 Matched Cohort Study**
- **11 nursing homes received ECHO intervention. Matched with 22 controls**
- **Residents in ECHO Age facilities were 75% less likely to be physically restrained**
- **Residents were 17% less likely to be prescribed antipsychotics**

Gordon S.E., Dufour A.B., Monti S.M., et al. *J Am Med Dir Assoc.* 2016;17(6):553-6.



# Geriatric Mental Health ECHO

## University of Rochester NY

- **University of Rochester experts in geriatric psychiatry help train and mentor primary care clinicians in NY**
- **Since 2014, 500 clinicians have participated in their ECHO project funded by AHRQ**
- **There was a 20 % reduction in ED visits**
- **24 % reduction in overall costs**

<https://www.ahrq.gov/news/newsroom/case-studies/201703.html>

# VA SCAN-ECHO for Liver Disease

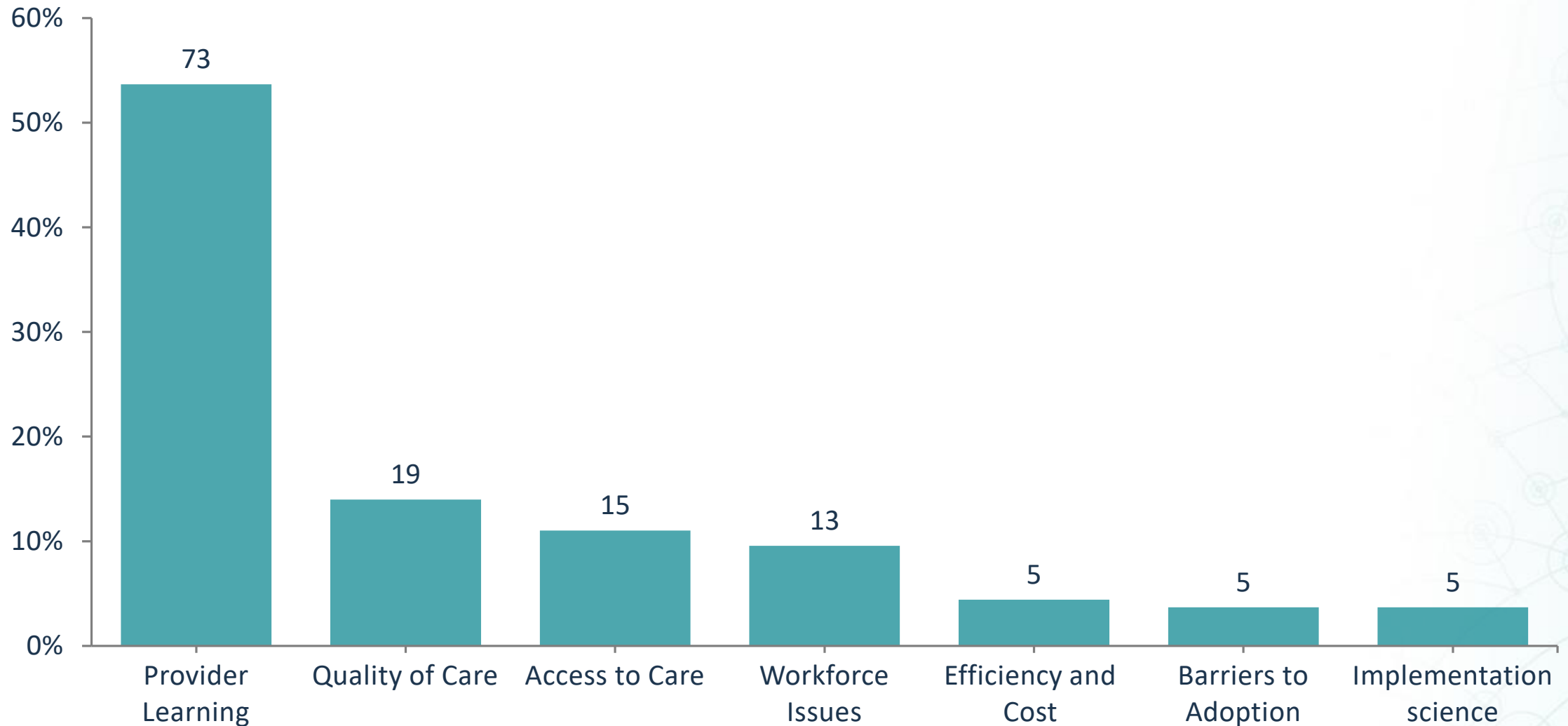
## University of Michigan

513 patients who had a liver SCAN-ECHO visit were found within the cohort. Patients who had completed a virtual SCAN-ECHO visit were more likely younger, rural, with more significant liver disease, and evidence for cirrhosis. Propensity adjusted mortality rates using Cox Proportional Hazard Model showed that a SCAN-ECHO visit was associated with a hazard ratio of 0.54 (95% CI 0.36-0.81,  $p = 0.003$ ) compared to no visit.

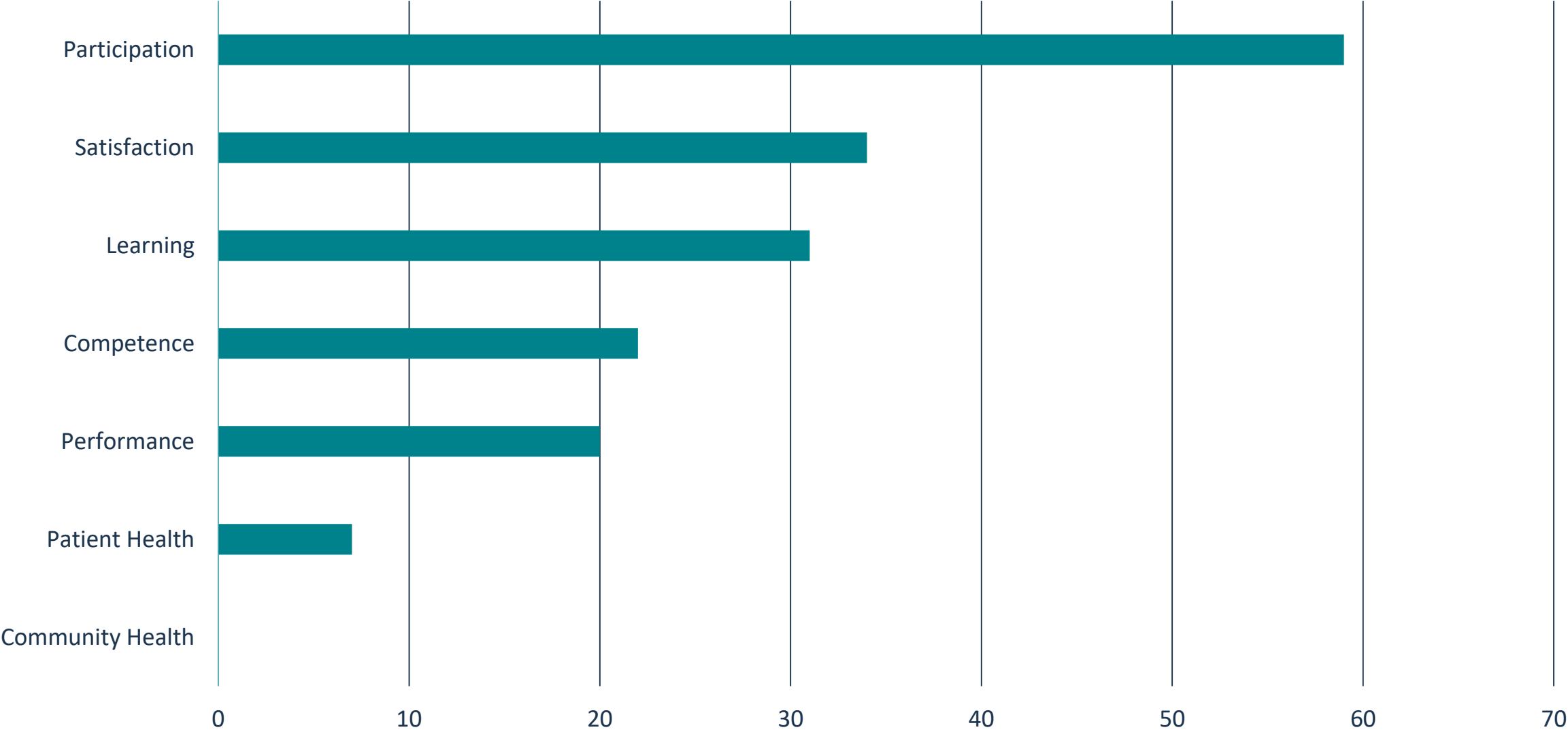
**Virtual Consultations through the Veterans Administration SCAN-ECHO Project Improves Survival for Veterans with Liver Disease** Su. GL, Glass L, et al; *Hepatology* . 2018 May 5. doi: 10.1002/hep.30074

# Peer Reviewed Publications n=116

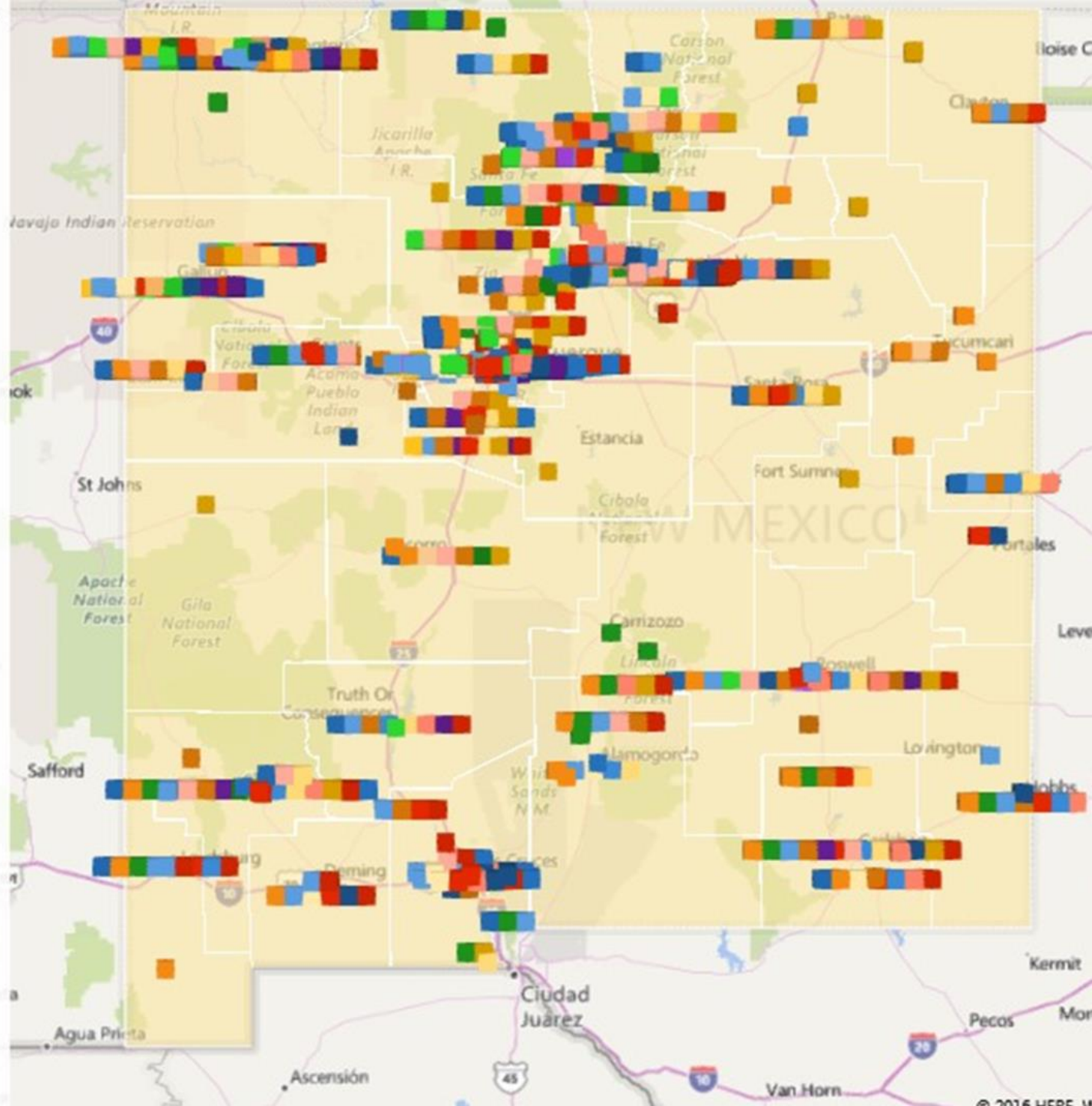
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# ECHO Publications by Moore's Outcome Levels

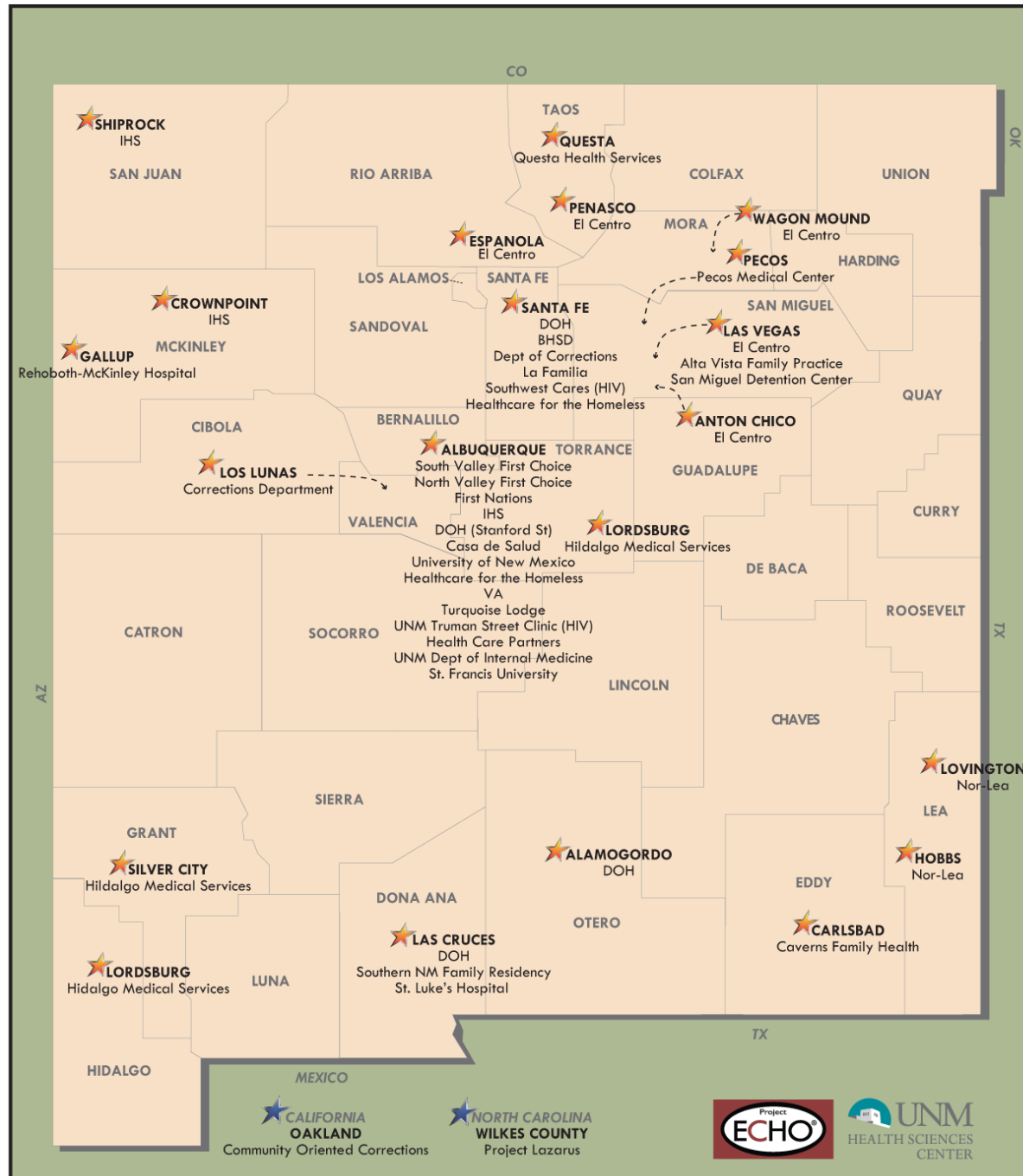


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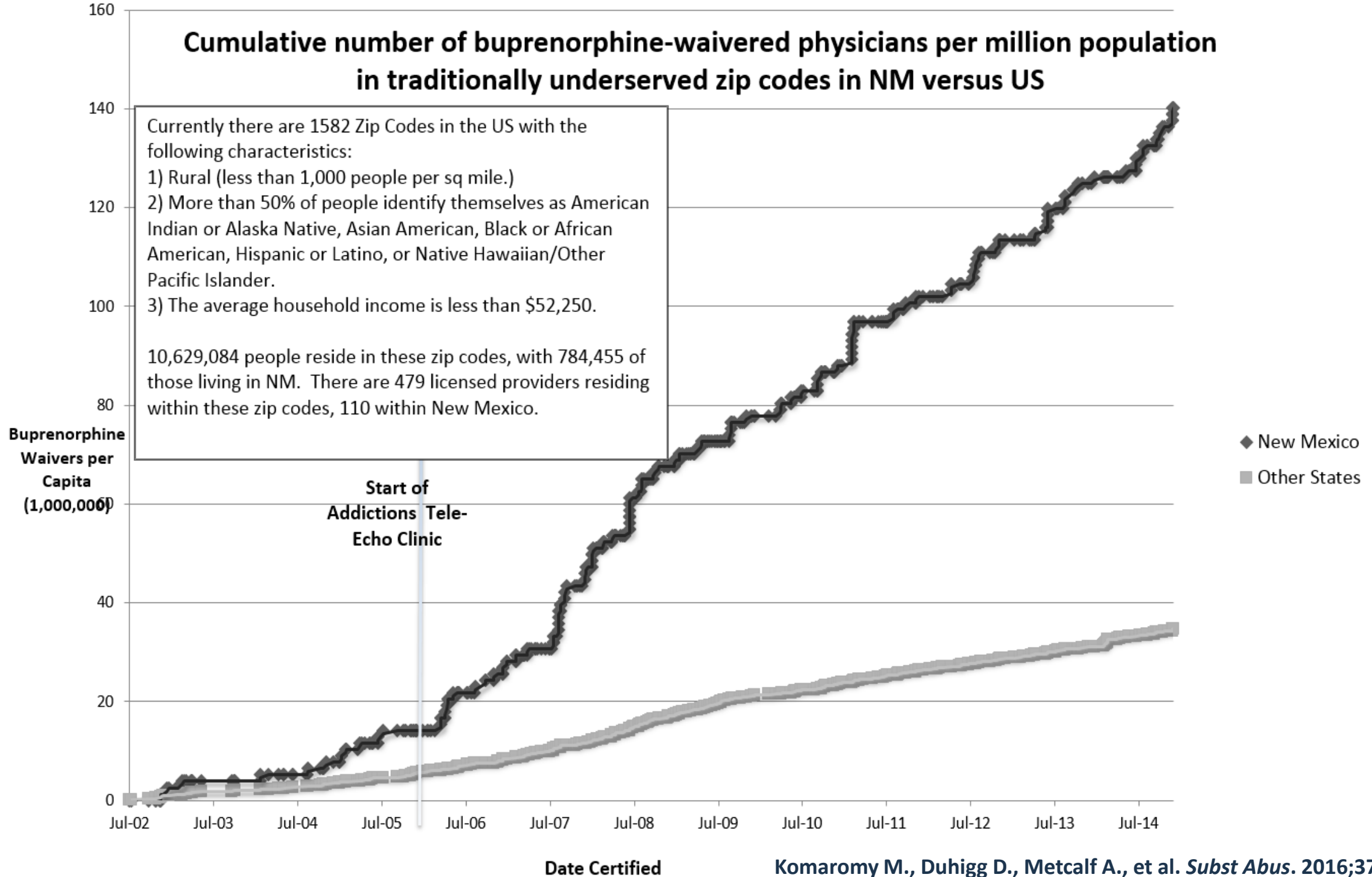


# ECHO Hubs and Spokes: State of New Mexico

# IAP CLINIC PARTICIPATION SITES



# Cumulative number of buprenorphine-waivered physicians per million population in traditionally underserved zip codes in NM versus US



Currently there are 1582 Zip Codes in the US with the following characteristics:

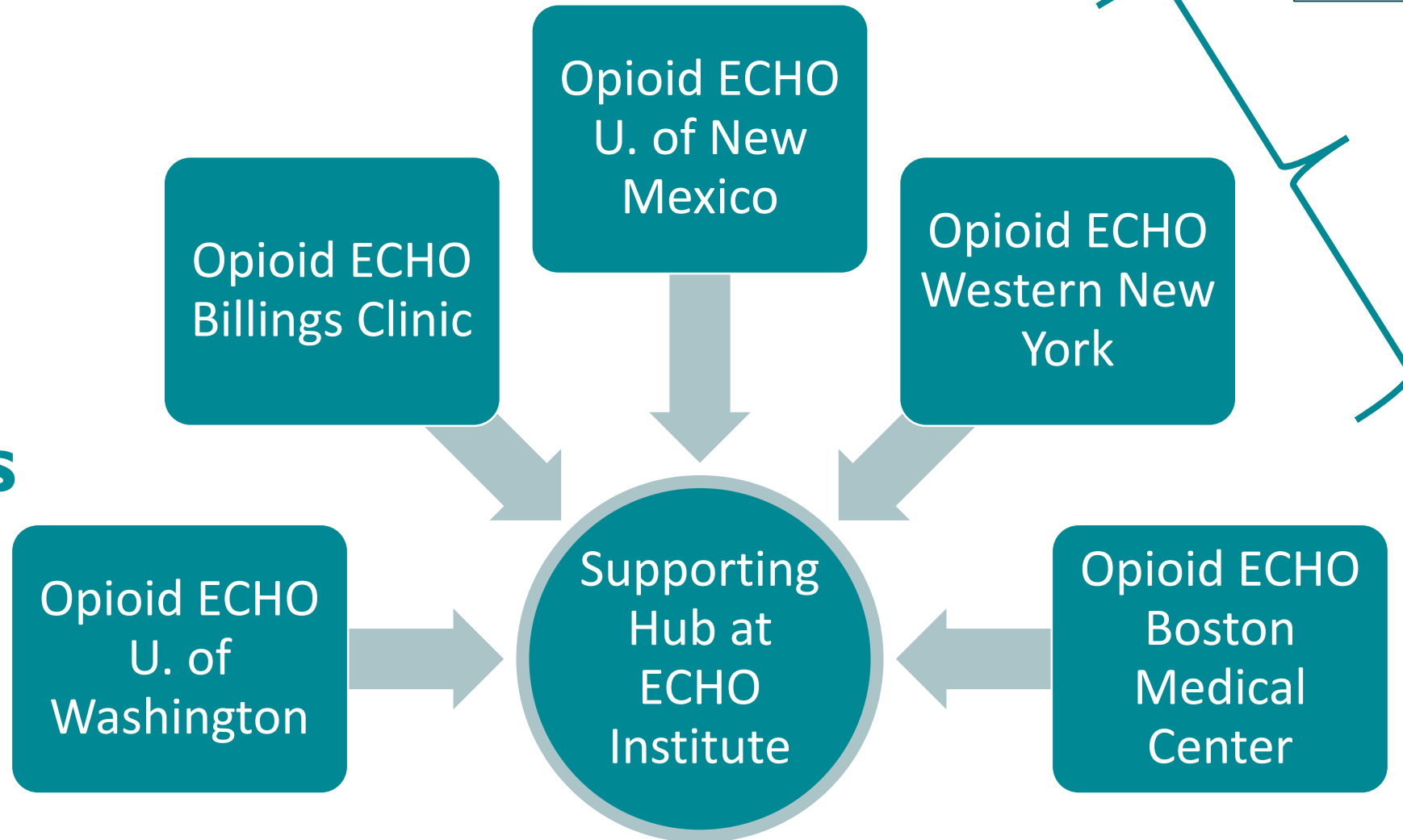
- 1) Rural (less than 1,000 people per sq mile.)
- 2) More than 50% of people identify themselves as American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian American, Black or African American, Hispanic or Latino, or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander.
- 3) The average household income is less than \$52,250.

10,629,084 people reside in these zip codes, with 784,455 of those living in NM. There are 479 licensed providers residing within these zip codes, 110 within New Mexico.

Start of Addictions Tele-Echo Clinic

“Hub-lets” provide specialist teams

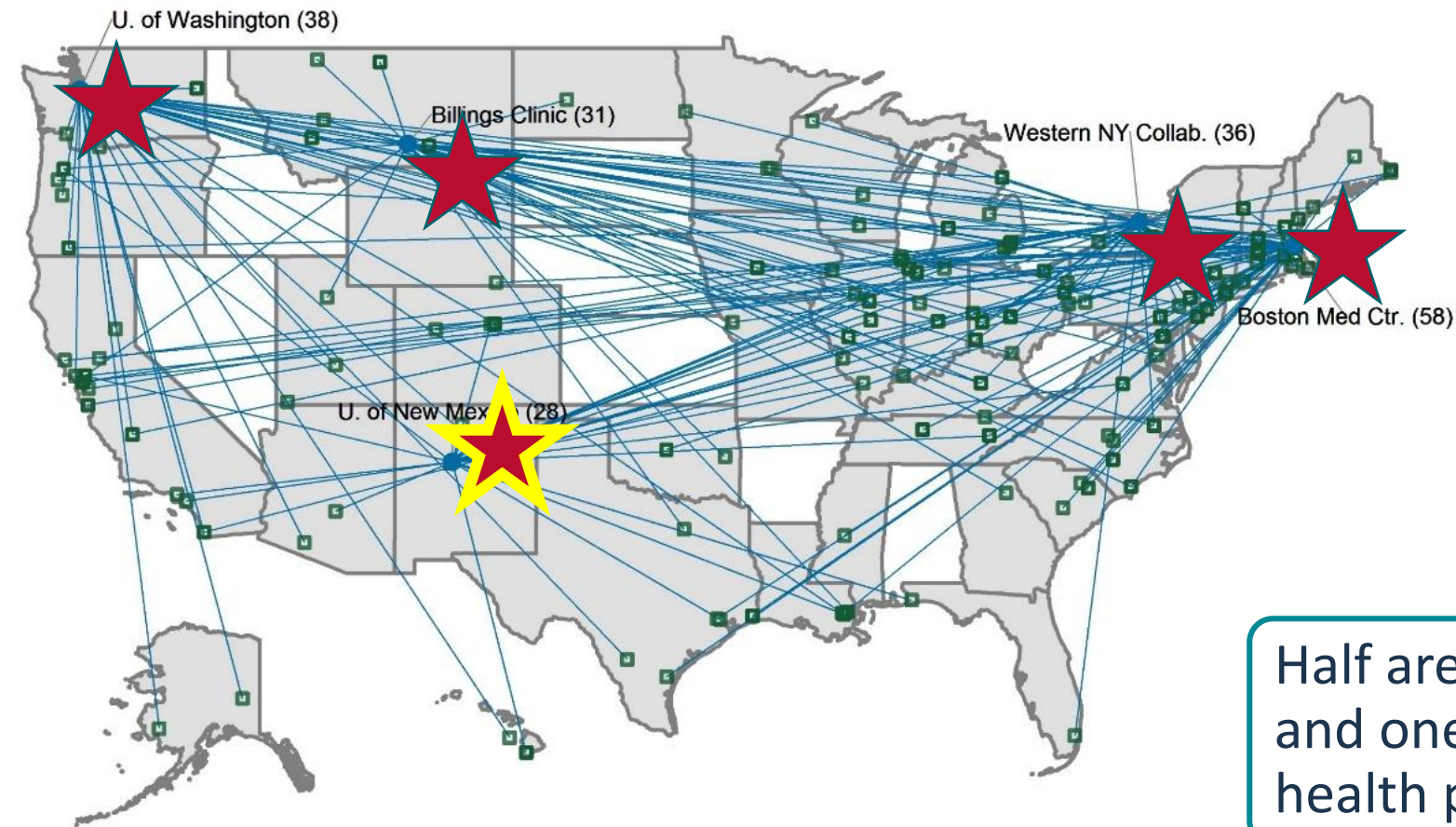
# ECHO Shared Services Model



**Supporting hub** leads development of curriculum and provides IT, evaluation, and admin support, and participant recruitment for all hubs



# HRSA-funded National Opioid ECHO Program



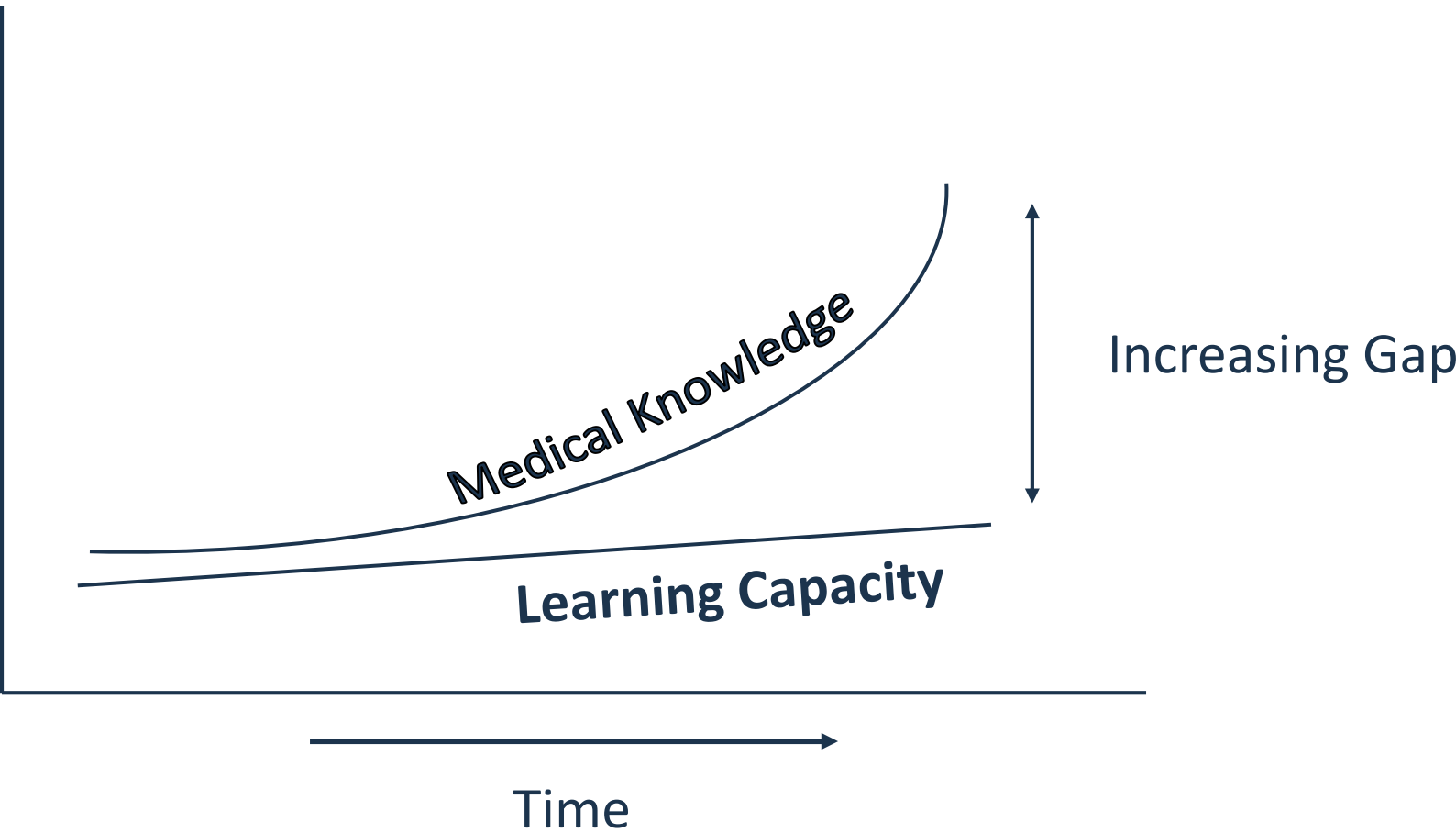
## PARTICIPATION

*Year one*

- 355 participants from
- 147 HRSA-funded health centers

Half are medical providers,  
and one third are behavioral  
health providers

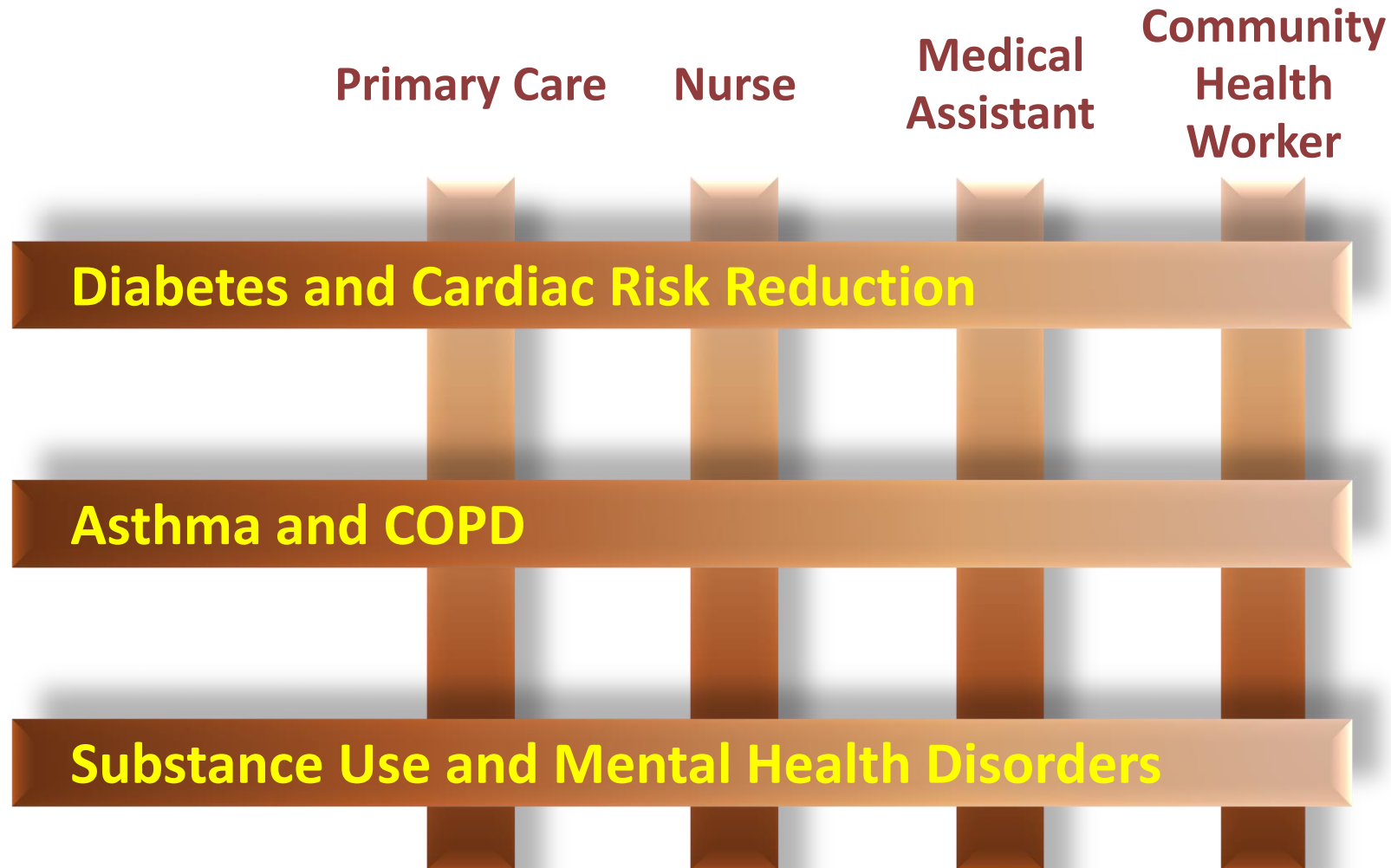
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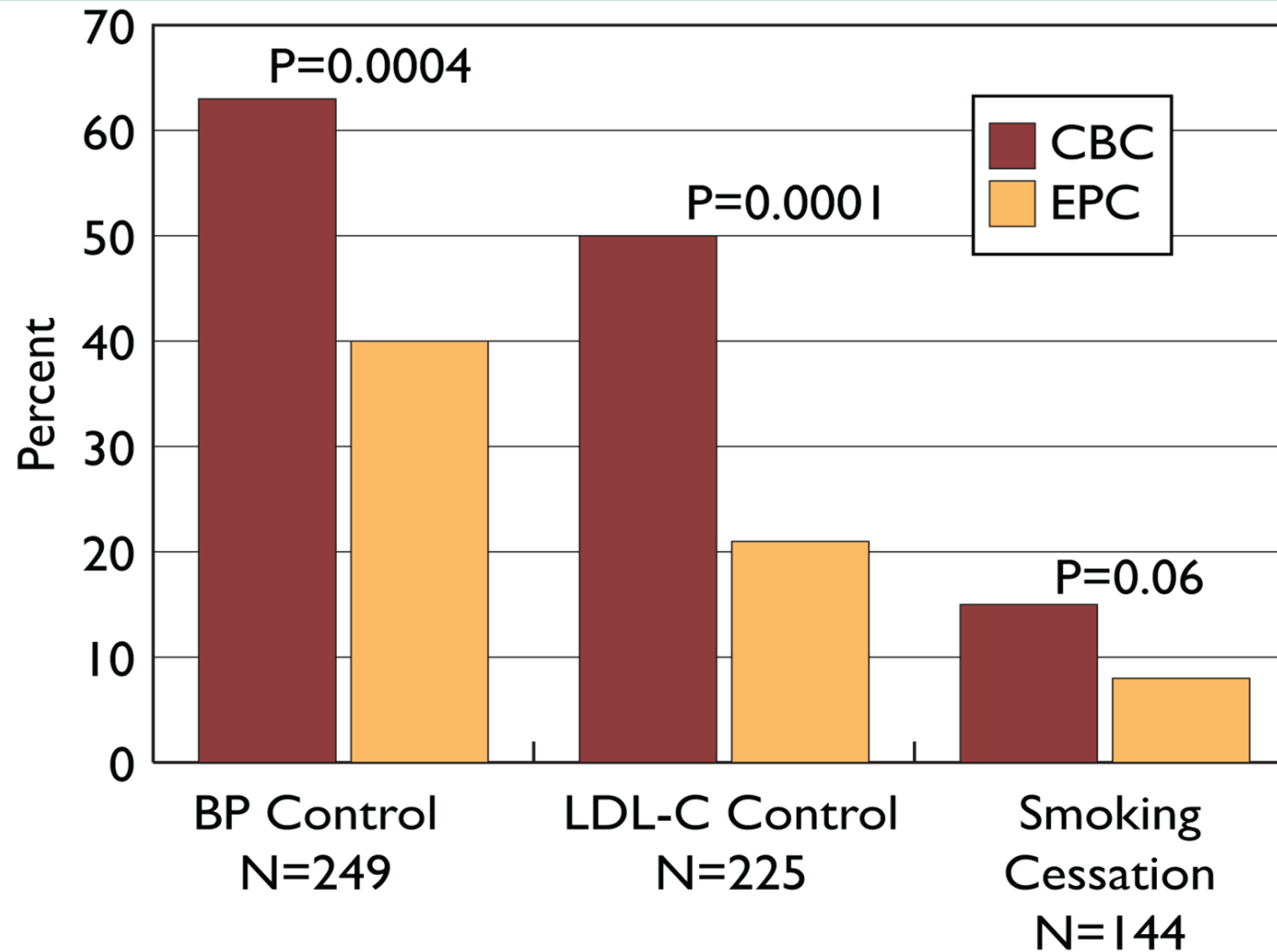
“Expanding the Definition of Underserved Population”

# Force Multiplier

## Chronic Disease Management is a Team Sport



# Community Based Care for Cardiac Risk Factor Reduction was more Effective than Enhanced Primary Care



Becker, D.M., Yanek, L.R., Johnson W.R., et al. *Circulation*. 2005;111:1298-1304.

# Why is a CHW Intervention Effective?

- **Live in Community**
- **Understand culture**
- **Appreciate economic limitations of patient and know community resources available to patient**
- **Often know family and can engage other social resources for patient**
- **Spend more time with patient**

# ECHO CHW Training

## Multiple Tracks

- **CHW Specialist Training**
  - **CREW:** Diabetes, Obesity, Hypertension, Cholesterol, Smoking Cessation, Exercise Physiology
  - **CARS:** Substance Use Disorders
  - **ECHO Care™:** Complex Multiple Diagnoses
  - **Obesity Prevention:** Diet, Exercise, Motivational Interviewing
- **Prison Peer Educator Training**

# Diabetes Specialty CHW Program

- **Narrow Focus — Deep Knowledge**
- **Standardized Curriculum**
  - 3 Day Onsite
  - Webcam/Weekly Video Based Clinics
    - Diet
    - Exercise
    - Smoking Cessation
    - Motivational Interviewing
    - Gentle Nudges
    - Finger Stick
    - Foot Exam
  - Ongoing support via knowledge networks
  - Part of Disease Management Team

# Community Health Workers in Prison

## The New Mexico Peer Education Program

Pilot training cohort, CNMCF Level II, July 27-30, 2009



First day of peer educator training  
Photo consents on file with Project ECHO® and CNMCF



# Graduation Ceremony of First Cohort

The New Mexico Peer Education Program: Pilot training cohort, CNMCF Level II,  
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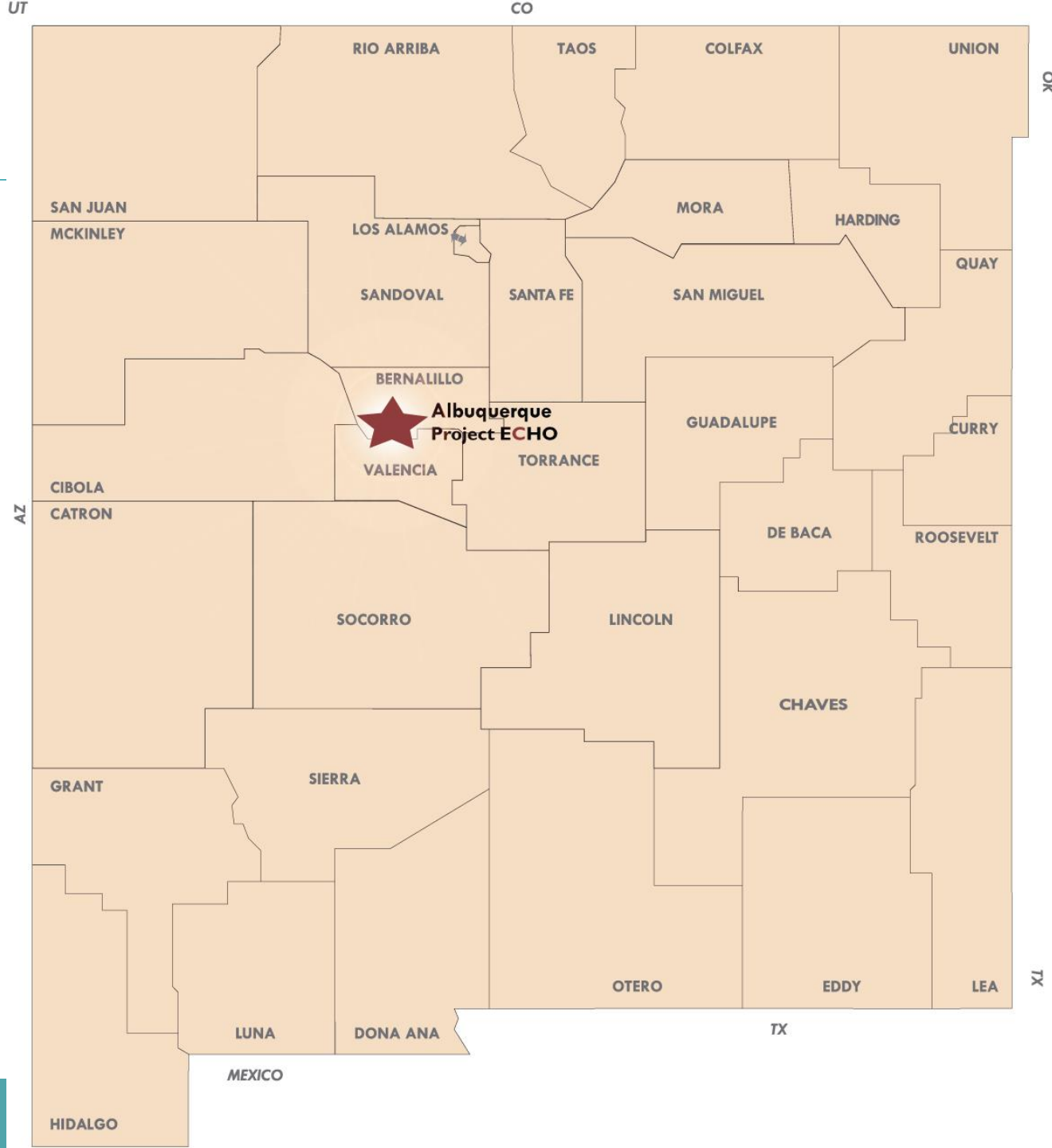
Graduation as Peer Educators

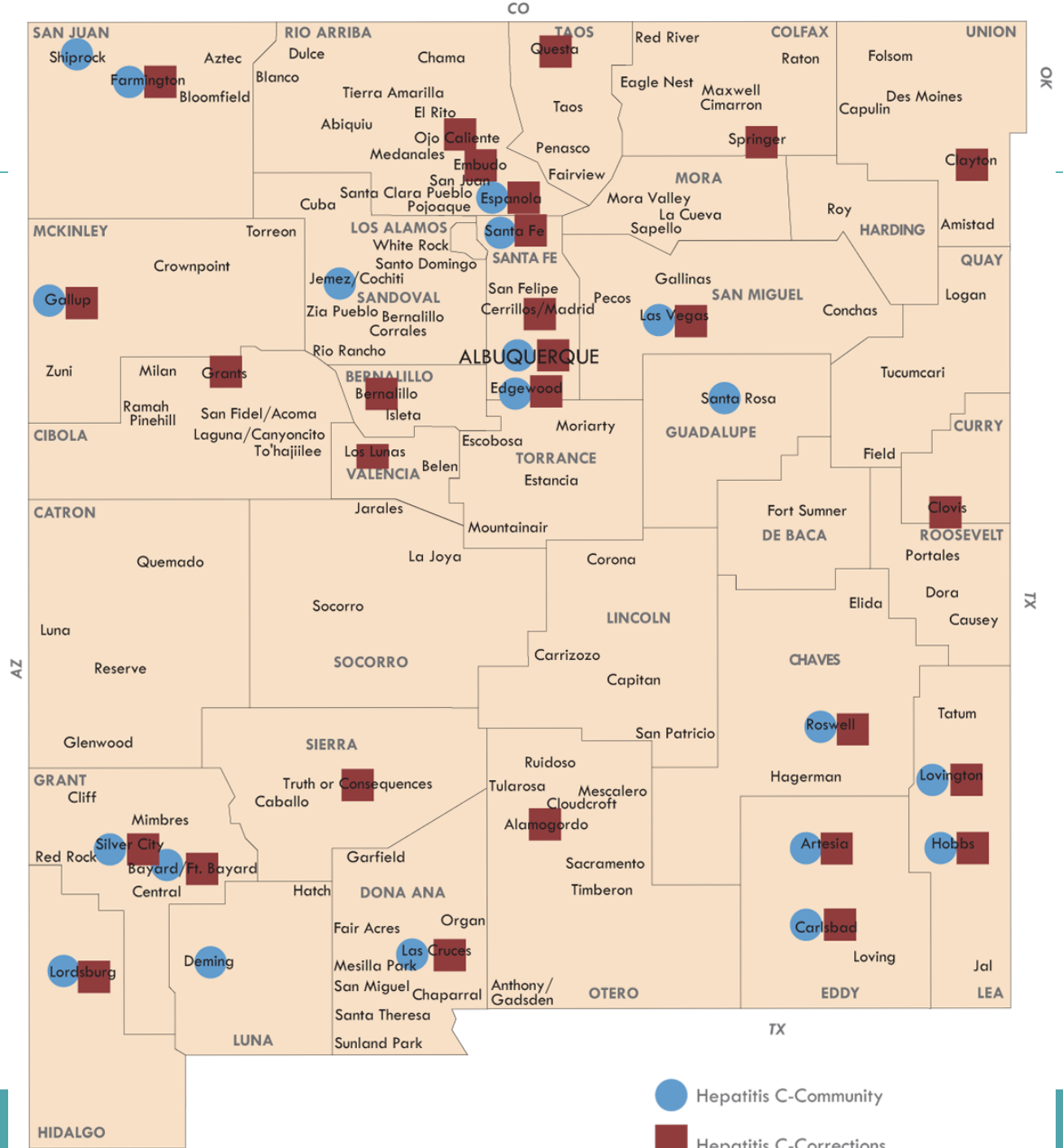
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# Potential Benefits of the ECHO Model

- Quality and Safety
- Rapid Learning and best-practice dissemination
- Reduce variations in care
- Access for Rural and Underserved Patients, reduced disparities
- Workforce Training and Force Multiplier
- Improving Professional Satisfaction/Retention
- Supporting the Medical Home Model
- Cost Effective Care- Avoid Excessive Testing and Travel
- Prevent Cost of Untreated Disease (e.g.: liver transplant or dialysis)
- Integration of Public Health into treatment paradigm

**Democratize Knowledge**

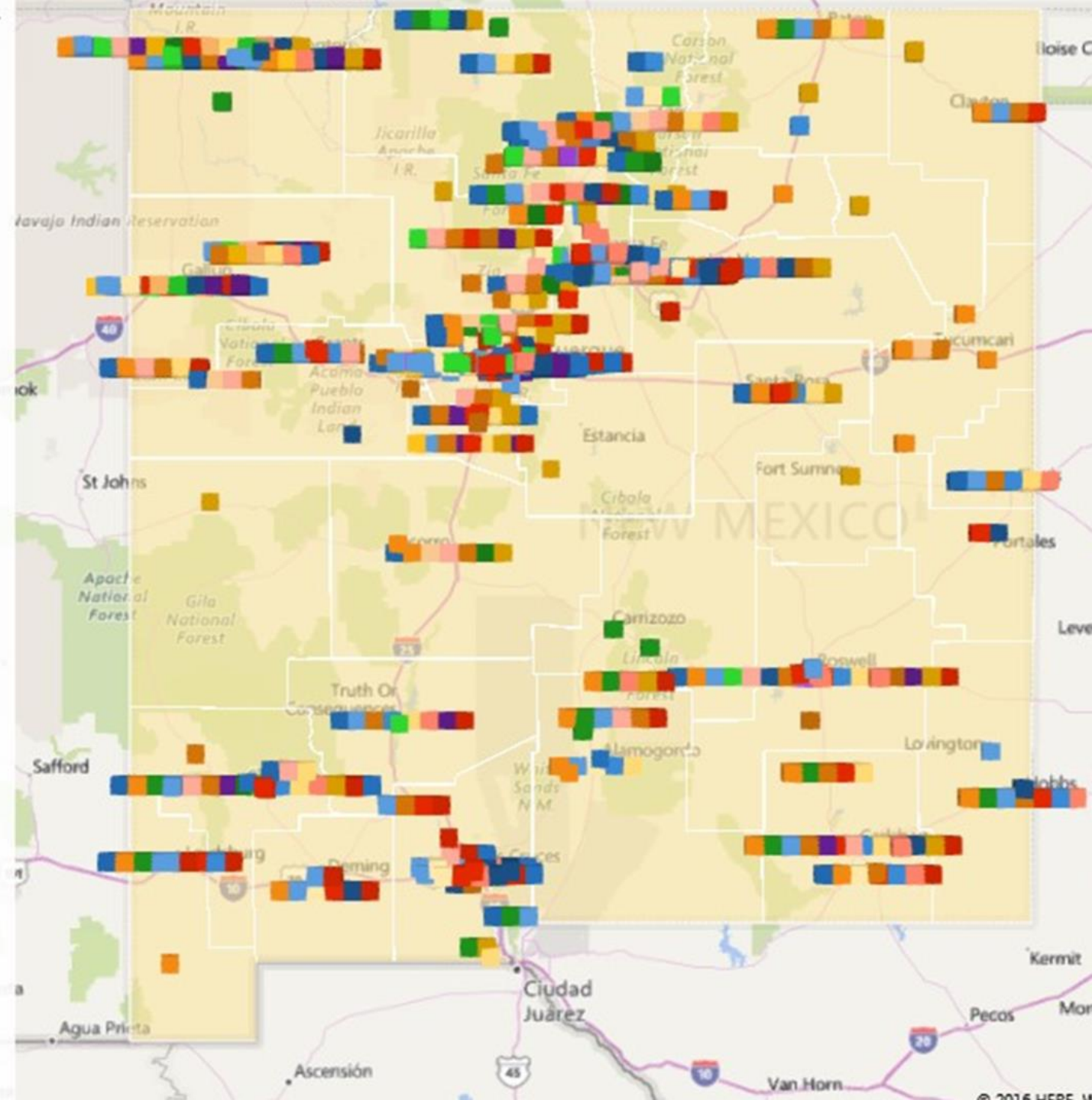




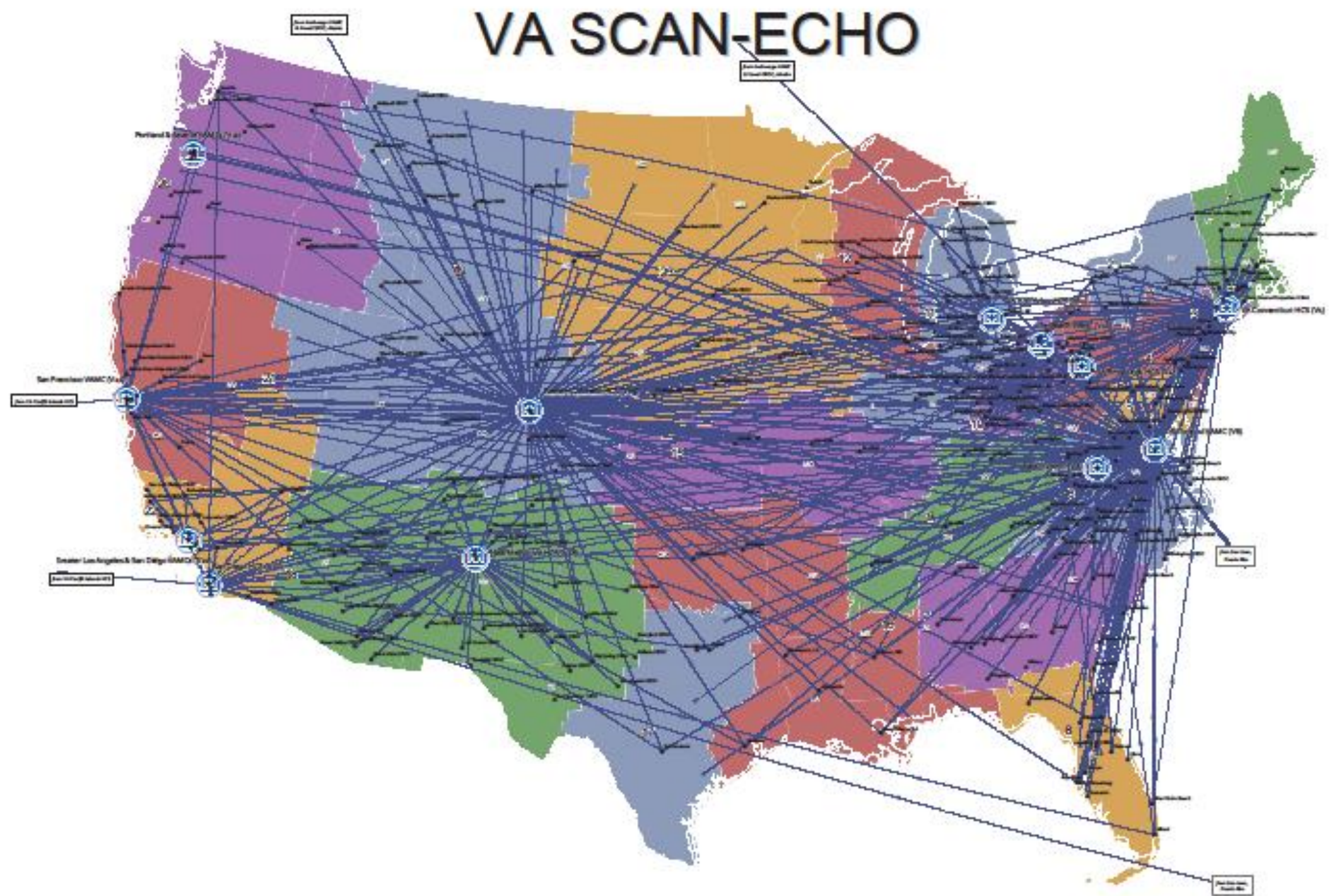
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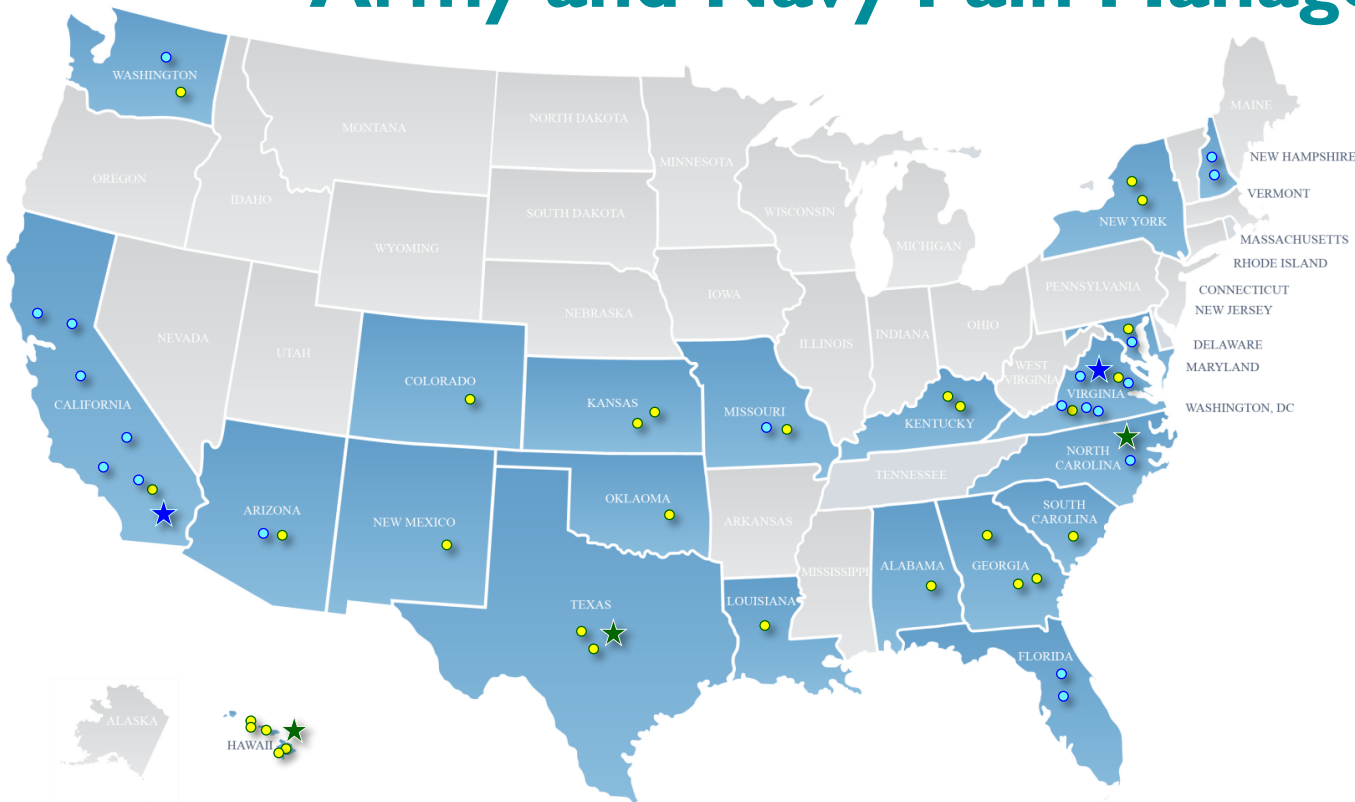
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# VA SCAN-ECHO



# Army and Navy Pain Management ECHO Clinics



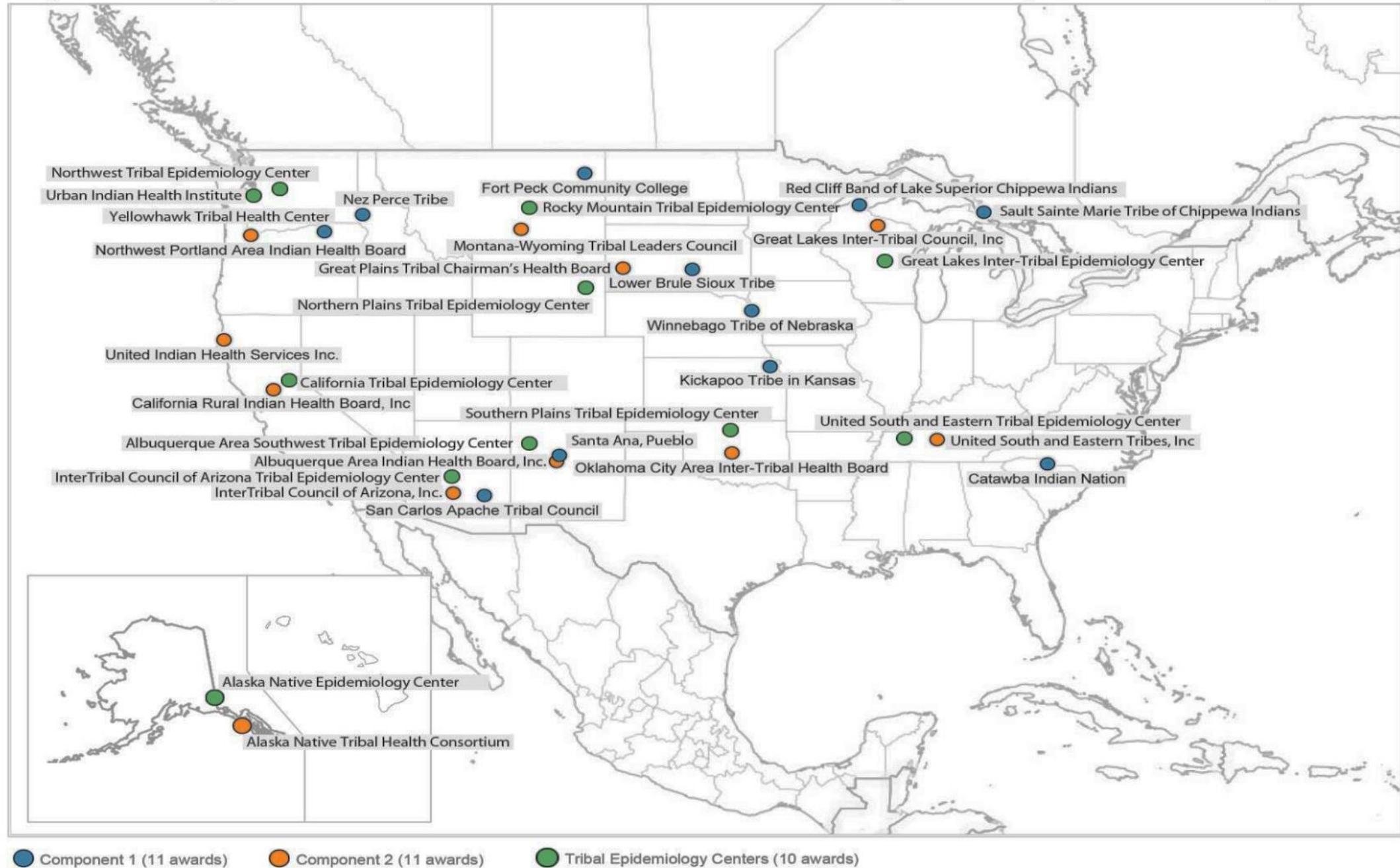
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- **Belgium:**
  - Camp Casey
  - Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE)
- **Germany:**
  - Grafenwoehr
  - Hohenfels
  - Katterbach
  - Landstuhl Regional Medical Center (LRMC)/FHC
  - LRMC/IMC
  - Stuttgart
  - Wiesbaden
  - Vilsack
- **Italy:**
  - Livorno
  - Vicenza
- **Japan:**
  - Camp Zama
- **South Korea:**
  - Camp Casey
  - Camp Humphreys
  - Camp Carroll
  - Camp Walker
  - Brian Allgood Army Community Hospital/ 121st Combat Support Hospital
- **Alabama:**
  - Redstone Arsenal
- **Arizona:**
  - Fort Huachuca
- **California:**
  - Fort Irwin
- **Colorado:**
  - Colorado Springs
- **Georgia:**
  - Fort Gordon
  - Fort Benning
  - Ft. Stewart
- **Hawaii:**
  - Schofield Barracks (Family Medicine and Troop Medical Clinic)
- **Kansas:**
  - Fort Leavenworth
  - Fort Riley
- **Kentucky:**
  - Fort Knox
  - Fort Campbell
- **Louisiana:**
  - Fort Polk
- **Maryland:**
  - Fort Meade
- **Missouri:**
  - Fort Leonard Wood
- **New Mexico:**
  - White Sands Missile Range
- **New York:**
  - Fort Drum
  - West Point
- **Oklahoma:**
  - Fort Sill
- **South Carolina:**
  - Fort Jackson
- **Texas:**
  - Fort Bliss
  - Fort Hood
- **Virginia:**
  - Joint Base Langley-Eustis
  - Fort Lee
- **Washington:**
  - Madigan Army Medical Center

**★ Navy ECHO Hubs:** Navy Medicine East (NME)- Naval Medical Center (NMC) Portsmouth, VA | Navy Medicine West (NMW)- Naval Medical Center San Diego (NMCS), CA

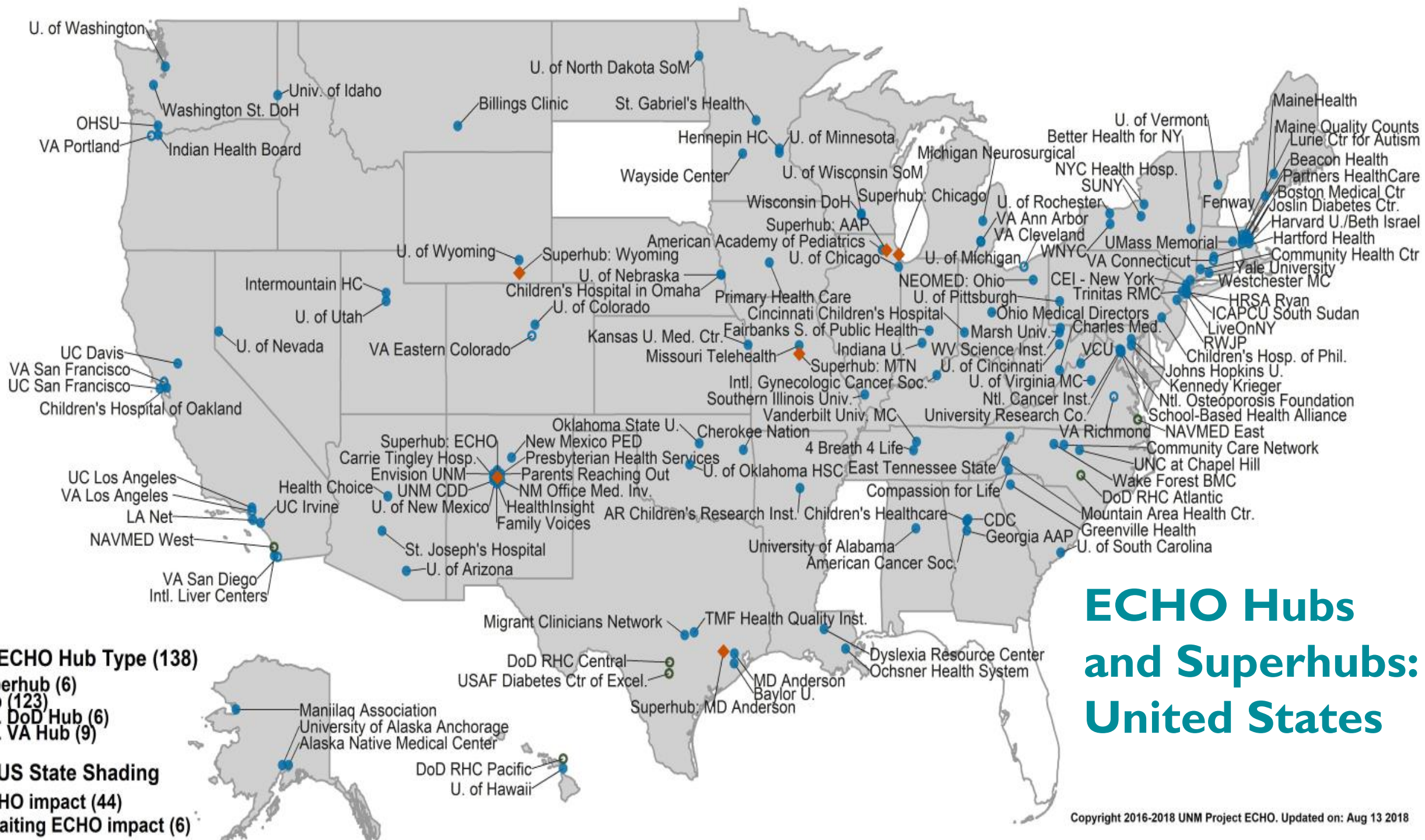
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  - Naval Air Facility El Centro
  - Naval Air Station North Island
- **Florida:**
  - Naval Hospital (NH) Jacksonville
  - Naval Air Station Jacksonville
- **Maryland:**
  - NHC Pax River
- **Missouri:**
  - Behavioral Health Clinic (BHC) Boone
- **North Carolina:**
  - NH Camp LeJeune
- **New Hampshire:**
  - BHC Portsmouth NH
  - Navy Safe Harbor
- **Virginia:**
  - NMC Portsmouth (Case Management, Pain Clinic, Physiatry, Internal Medicine)
  - BHC Oceana
  - TriCare Prime Clinic (TPC) Chesapeake
  - TPC Virginia Beach
  - 633rd Medical Group-Langley

# Comprehensive Approach to Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country Awards (DP14-1421PPHF14) \*\*/22 awards



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US  
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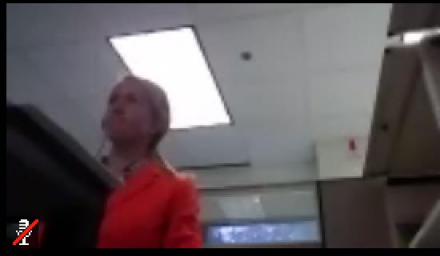
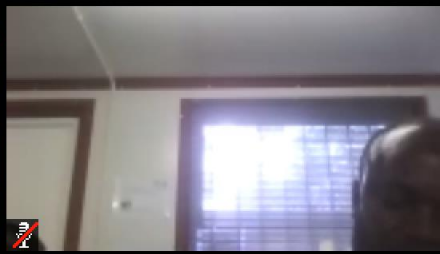


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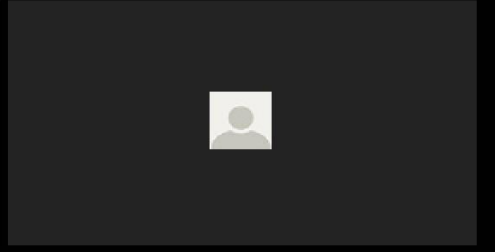
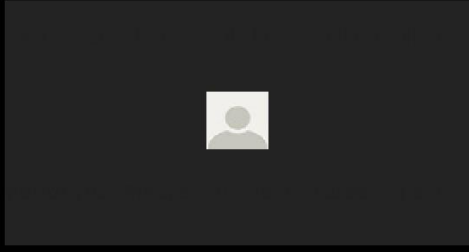


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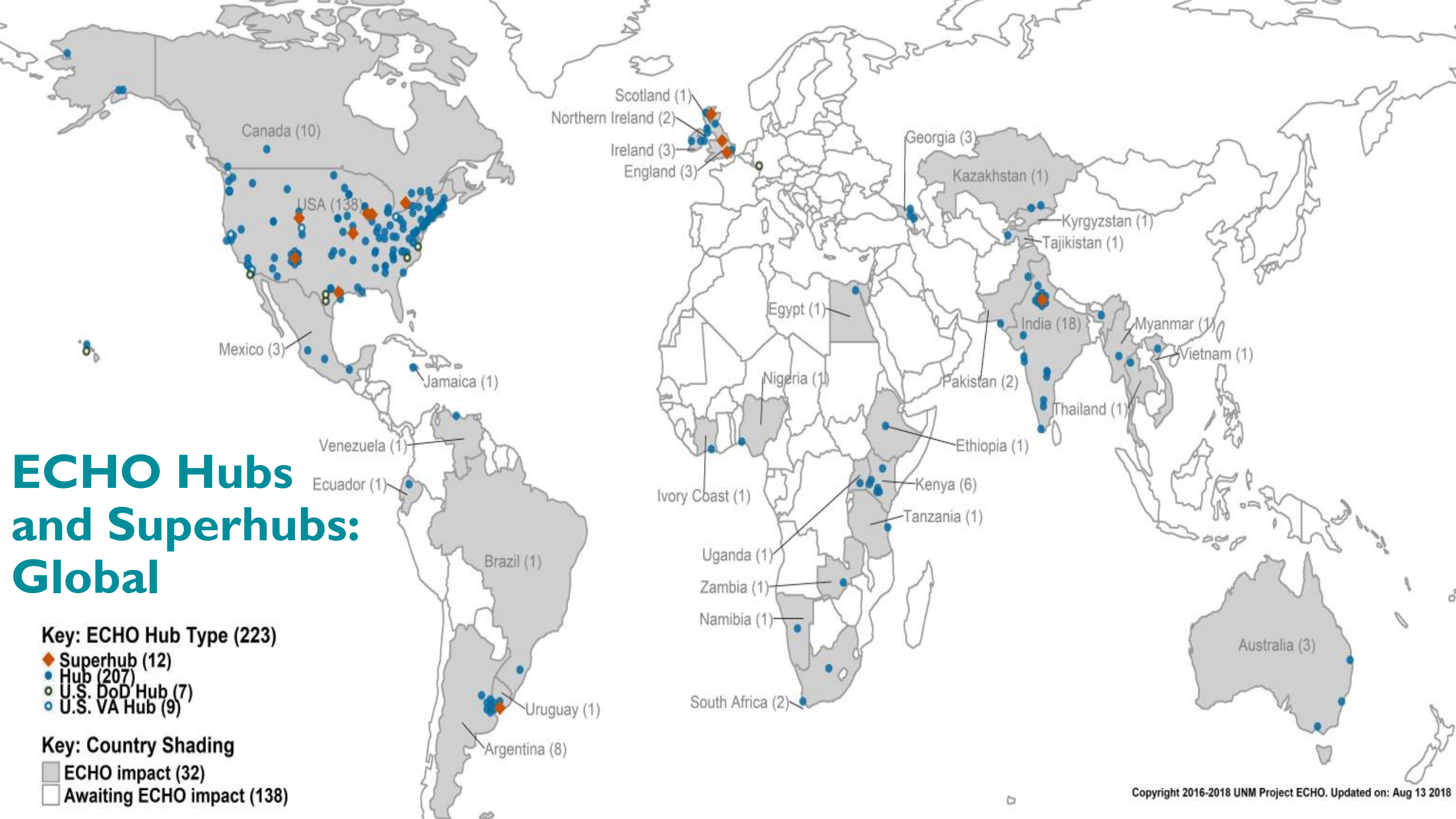
# ECHO Hubs and Superhubs: Global

## Key: ECHO Hub Type (223)

- ◆ Superhub (12)
- Hub (207)
- U.S. DoD Hub (7)
- U.S. VA Hub (9)

## Key: Country Shading

- ECHO impact (32)
- Awaiting ECHO impact (138)



# Cancer: Significant gains, persistent disparities

- While U.S. cancer death rates have declined overall between 1999-2015, stark disparities persist:
  - Cancer death rate for African-Americans is 25 percent higher than for whites
  - Hispanic and Latino patients are more likely to be diagnosed with cancer at later, more dangerous stages of the disease
- A recent study in the journal *Cancer* (August 20, 2018) shows that these disparities particularly affect children:
  - Of 32,000 childhood cancer patient data analyzed, black children were 38-95% more likely to die of nine cancers studied, and Hispanic children were 31-65% more likely to die
  - Socioeconomic status as well as race/ethnicity is a factor, demonstrating that kids living in high-poverty, under-resourced neighborhoods have greater cancer risk

**Sources:** “Why are Black and Latino Kids More Likely to Die of Certain Cancers?” August 20, 2018 ([www.npr.org](http://www.npr.org)); Kehm R, Spector G, Poynter J, et al. “Does Socioeconomic Status Account for Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Childhood Cancer Survival?” *Cancer*, August 20, 2018 (epub ahead of print); NIH National Cancer Institute Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results Program (<https://seer.cancer.gov>)

# Uses of ECHO in Cancer

1. Prevention: Smoking Cessation, HPV vaccination, HCV Treatment, HBV Vaccination and Treatment, sun safety and skin cancer prevention
2. Screening and Early Detection: Dermatology, Breast, Cervical, Colorectal Cancer, Oral and Lung Cancer
3. Pathology Best Practices
4. Cancer Care Navigation
5. Updates in Treatment: Getting the science to the community
6. Tumor Boards
7. Precision Medicine and Cancer Genomics
8. Pain and Toxicity Management
9. Survivorship
10. Palliative Care
11. Population Health: Effective Community Cancer Intervention and Prevention Program Management



# The “ECHO Act” (Expanding Capacity for Health Outcomes Act)

Passed House/Senate by unanimous vote, November-December 2016

Signed into law by President Barack Obama, December 2016

Asks the Secretary of Health and Human Services to study the impact of Project ECHO on:

**Conditions** Mental and substance use disorders, chronic diseases and conditions, prenatal and maternal health, pediatric care, pain management, and palliative care

**Workforce** Implementation of public health programs, including those related to disease prevention, infectious disease outbreaks, and public health surveillance

**Public Health** Health care workforce issues, such as specialty care shortages and primary care workforce recruitment, retention, and support for lifelong learning

**Rural and Underserved Populations** Delivery of health care services in rural areas, frontier areas, health professional shortage areas, and medically underserved areas, and to medically underserved populations and Native Americans



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- Hatch(R)



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- Schatz (D)

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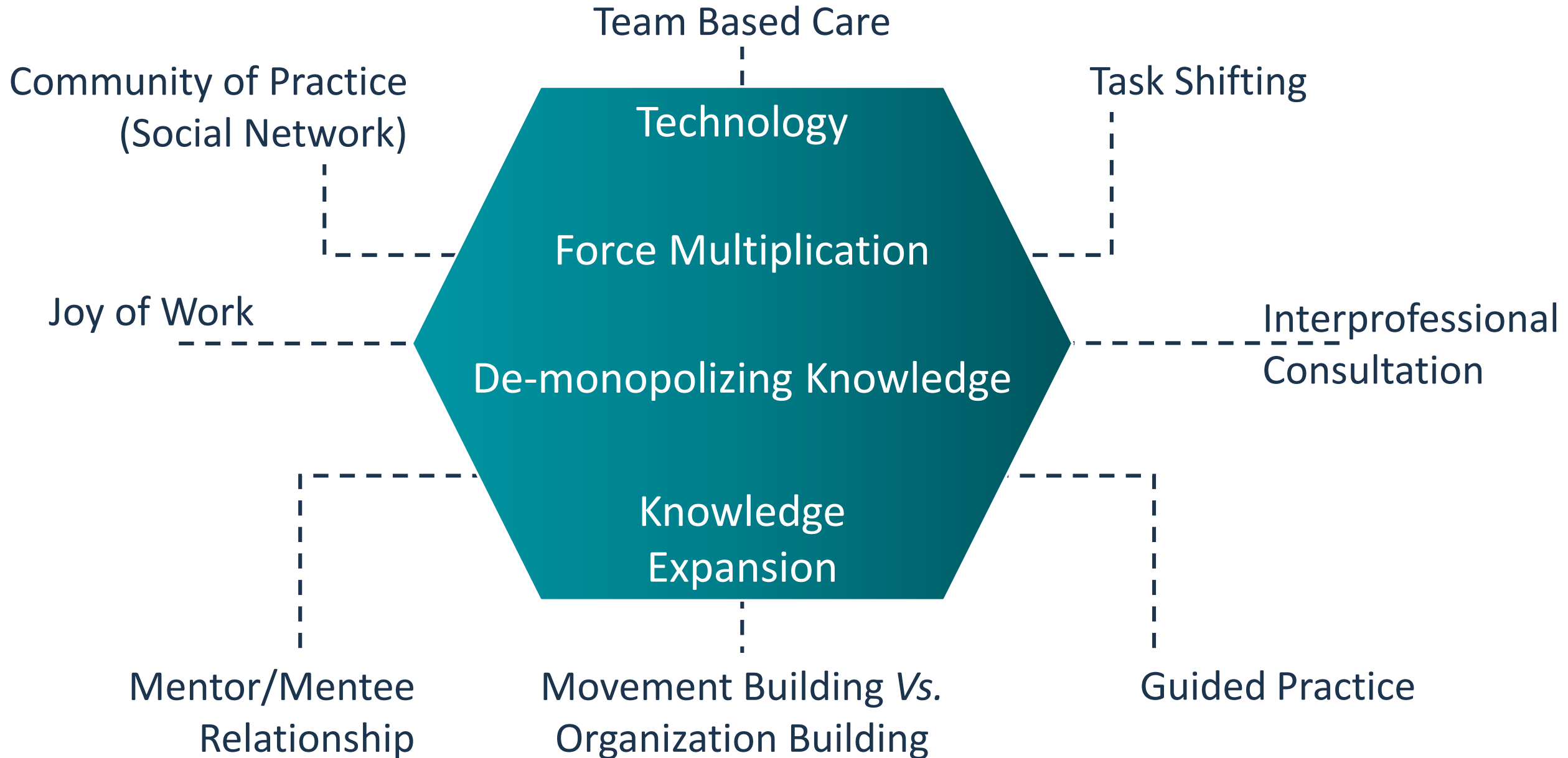


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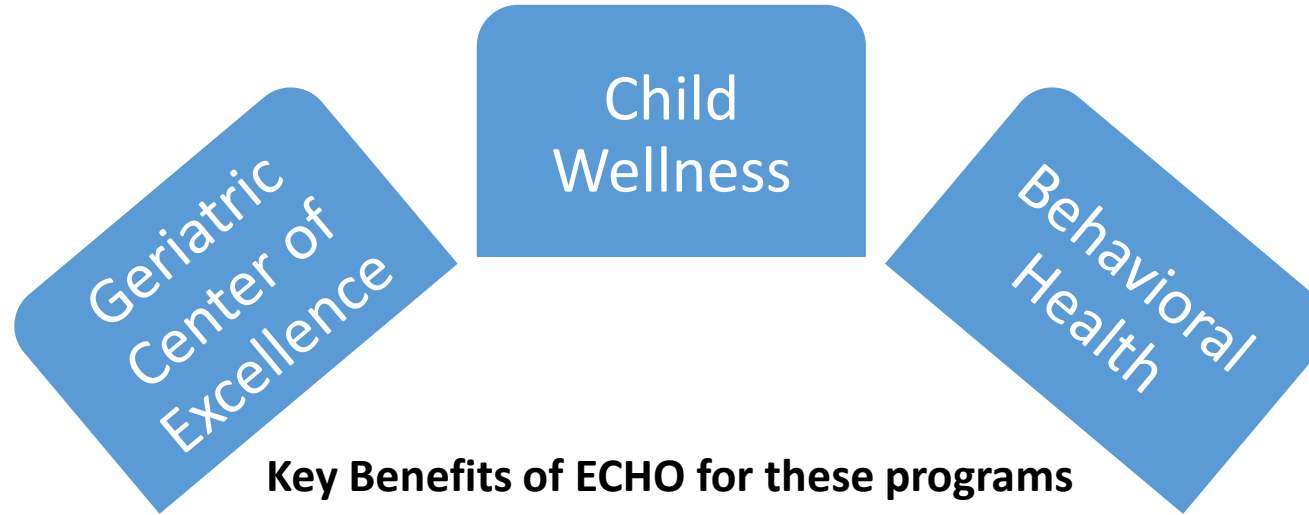
- Sen. John Barrasso (R)



# What Makes ECHO Work?



# ECHO Programs Included in 3 HSC Priority Initiatives



## **Key Benefits of ECHO for these programs**

Expanding Access to care for patients

1. Increasing knowledge for providers and knowledge networks
2. Connecting rural providers with resources and experts
3. Increased provider satisfaction and retention