

North Carolina Health Information Technology Program

2018 Profile (Data from State Fiscal Year 2018 and current as of 6/30/2018)

Program Facts

163

ORH sites that are mandated to connect to the HIE (NC HealthConnex)

93%

ORH sites that have an Electronic Health Record system

87%

ORH sites have a signed Health Information Exchange Participation Agreement

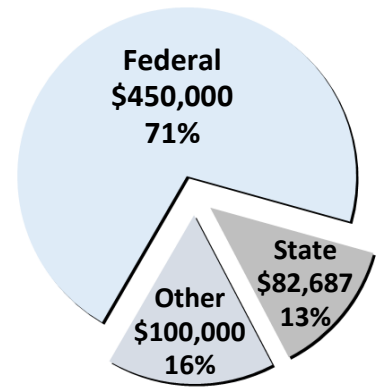
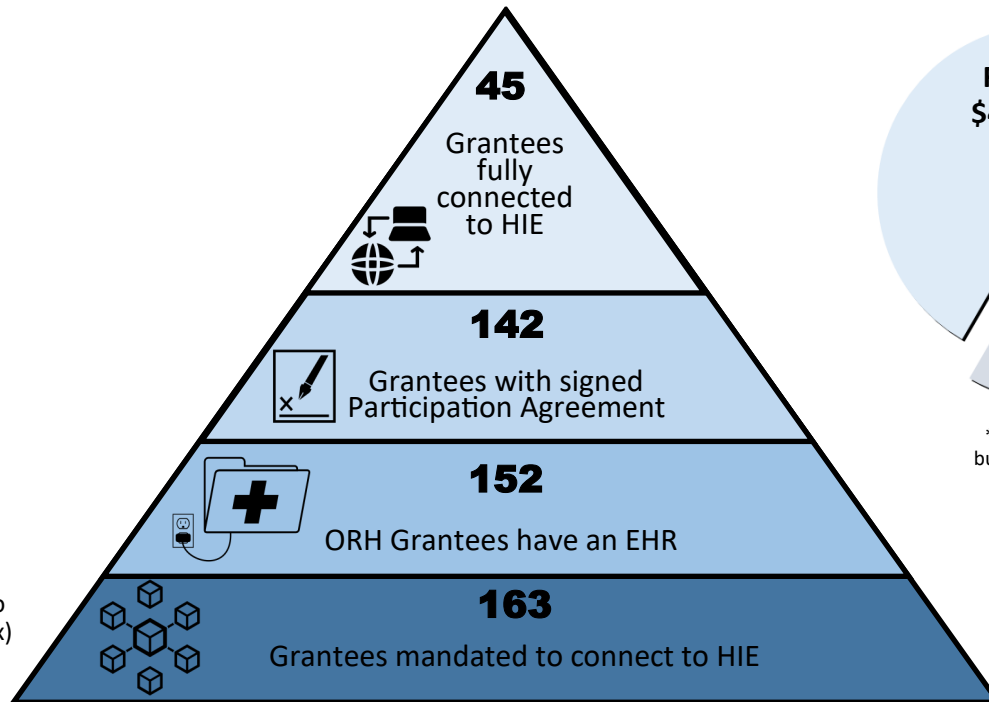
28%

ORH sites have successfully connected to the HIE (NC HealthConnex)

Overview:

The Health Information Technology (HIT) Team at the Office of Rural Health (ORH) strives to assist ORH grantees and safety net partners with using Health Information Technology to help improve patient care. The Health Information Technology Program works directly with the North Carolina Safety Net to assess needs and provide technical assistance throughout the state to improve the use of Electronic Health Record (EHR) Systems and the use of NC HealthConnex, the state designated health information exchange (HIE).

Office of Rural Health Grantee Connection Status and Funding



\*Estimate based on budget reorganization

NC Rural Health Centers: 100% Have EHR, 100% Signed participation agreement, 64% Connected to HIE

NC Farmworker Health Program Sites: 80% Have EHR, 80% Signed participation agreement, 50% Connected to HIE

Critical Access Hospitals: 90% Have EHR, 90% Signed participation agreement, 30% Connected to HIE

NC Community Health Grants and Medication Assistance Sites: 94% Have EHR, 86% Signed participation agreement, 21% Connected to HIE

Importance:

The NC Office of Rural Health (ORH) is committed to assisting underserved communities by improving access, quality and cost effectiveness of health care. Established in 2017 through the NC State Medicaid Health Information Technology plan, the ORH HIT Team works with partners to improve Health Information Technology connectivity for health care providers in rural areas. The ORH HIT Team promotes the use of the state HIE—NC HealthConnex to share and access needed patient health information at the point of care.





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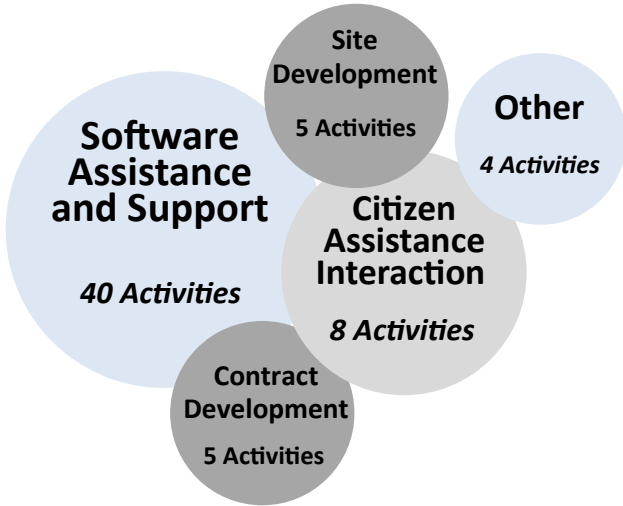
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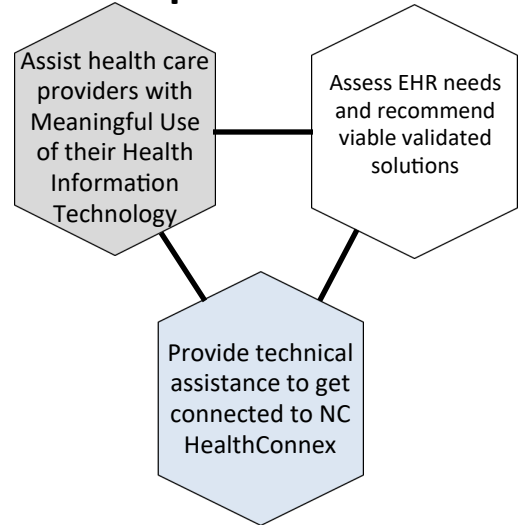
Technical Assistance

62 Activities in 26 Counties

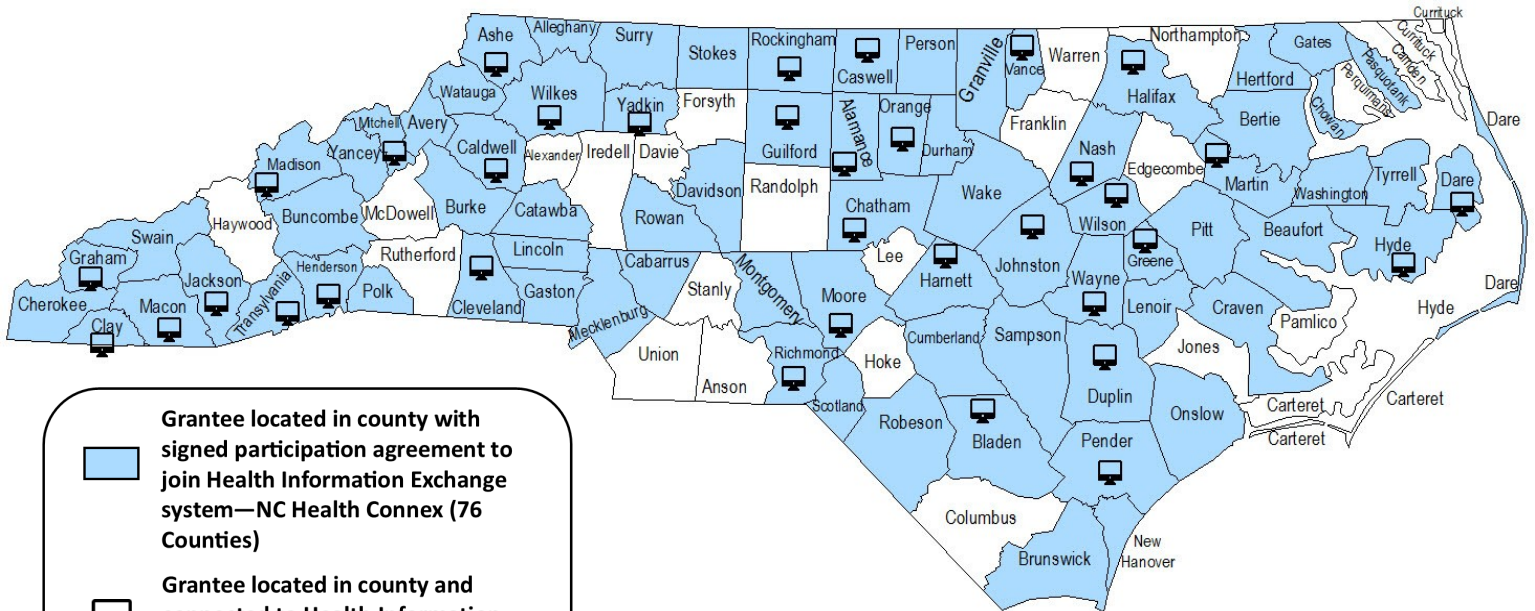
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The NC ORH HIT team can assist safety net and rural health care providers:



Program Reach
77 Counties with grantees that implemented an Electronic Health Record
76 Counties with grantees that have signed a NC HealthConnex Participation Agreement
35 Counties with grantees connected to NC HealthConnex



Grantee located in county with signed participation agreement to join Health Information Exchange system—NC Health Connex (76 Counties)
Grantee located in county and connected to Health Information Exchange—NC Health Connex (35 Counties)

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