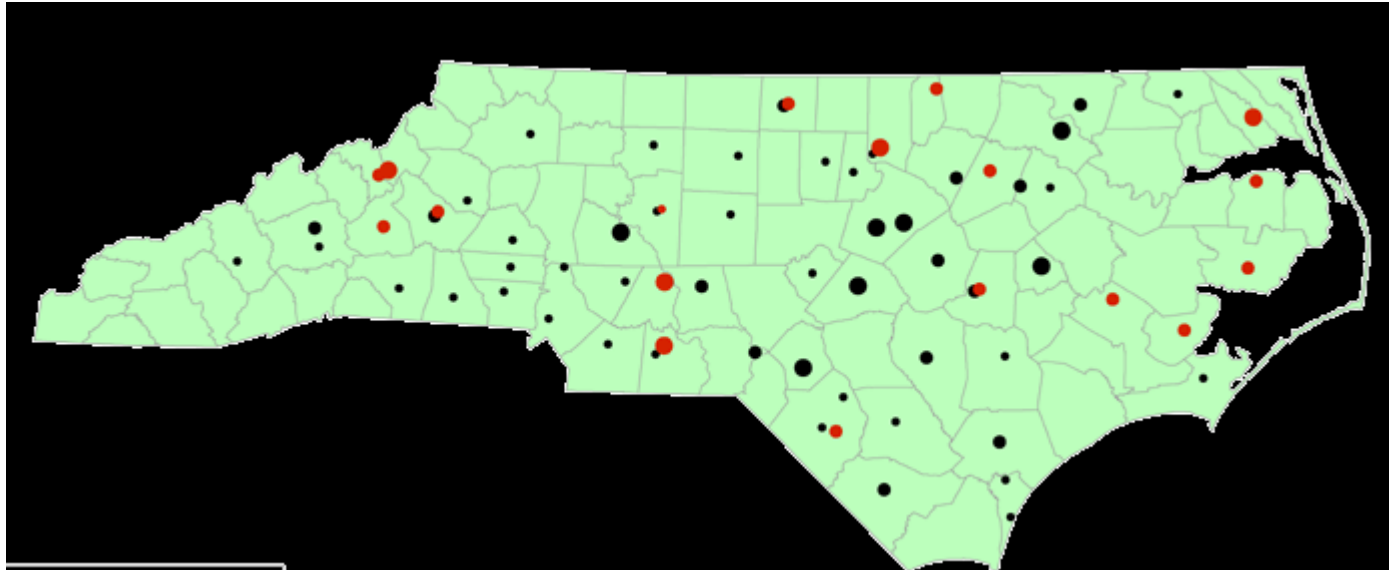


Group Methodology for Patient Volume Reporting

'**Group**' means one or more eligible professionals practicing together at one practice location or at multiple practice locations within a logical geographical region under the same healthcare organization.

A state-wide organization...



If Dr. Jones chooses group methodology and defines the group so that it includes all practice locations of ABC Healthcare across the state, she must attest using the encounters from EVERY professional (eligible professionals such as MDs and non-eligible professionals such as RNs, phlebotomists, etc.) at all practice locations across the state who provided services within the groups' chosen consecutive 90-day reporting period. Please note, EPs are required to report on at least one location with certified EHR technology.

In other words, if an eligible professional defines the group as including every practice location in the state, every professional's encounters within every practice in the state must be accounted for when calculating patient volume.