



Rural Hospital Stabilization Committee (RHSC) Progress Report



Presented to: Rural Hospital Stabilization Committee

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Rural Hospital Stabilization Efforts

- April 25, 2014, Governor Deal announced the establishment of the Rural Hospital Stabilization Committee (RHSC)
- Rural Free-standing ER Regulations approved May 19, 2014
- RHSC Final Report was published, Feb 23, 2015
 - *Focused on the Hub & Spoke Model*
 - *The Right Care, at the Right Time & in the Right Setting*
- Governor Deal requested & funding appropriated by the Georgia Legislature in the FY 2016 State Budget, signed by Governor Deal, May 11, 2015



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- Department of Community Health Executed Grants July 20, 2015
- Each grantee received \$750,000 and subsequently provided their \$100,000 local match requirement from the hospital and local government.
- August 14, 2015 – Pilots established initial set of “Common Performance Measures”. Draft being finalized in Q3.
- RHSC Pilots submitted budgets and work plans during Q1
 - All were subsequently approved by October 28, 2015
- Pilots have submitted invoices totaling \$580,427.83.

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- The current grants are set to terminate Jun 30, 2016
- 3 to 6 month extensions may be warranted depending upon the individual pilot & projects. It will also be helpful to gather a full year of data so that we may adequately measure the impact of the State investment.



Rural Hospital Stabilization Pilot

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