Rural Hospital Stabilization Committee Program
Phase 3
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Telemedicine
Budget: $35,964.38

• **Major Resources & Activities:**
  – Telemedicine Equipment
    • Increase Patient Care Opportunities
    • Create Telemedicine Presence Within School System
    • Utilization of Telemedicine Services by Students and Staff
  – Community Stakeholders
    • Program Outreach

• **Results to date:**
  – 2017-2018 - 34 encounters
  – 2018-2019 – 43 encounters

• **Performance Measures:**
  – Number of Telemedicine Visits
  – Reimbursement for origination site fees
  – Number of Non-Emergent ED visit encounters
  – College and Career Readiness Performance Index (CCRPI)
Project Aim/Significance:

The primary focus of the School Based Telemedicine Program is to provide quality, accessible health care to the students enrolled in the Effingham County School System in order to have a positive impact on the children’s health, school attendance, and academic performance.
Medicaid Enrollees - Effingham County as of August 2017

Medicaid Enrolled (ages 0-19) vs Total Population (ages 0-19) for Effingham County

- Clyo: 36%
- Eden: 34%
- Guyton: 37%
- Meldrim: 74%
- Rincon: 28%
- Springfield: 34%

EffinghamHealth.org
Georgia Department Of Education
Free and Reduced Lunch (FRL) -Data Report

School               17-18
Guyton Elementary School   58%
Sand Hill Elementary School  56%
Springfield Elementary School  55%
Rincon Elementary School    48%
Blandford Elementary School   40%
Ebenezer Elementary School    34%
Marlow Elementary School     34%
South Effingham Elementary School  24%
GA DOE – College and Career Readiness Performance Index (CCRPI)
Percent of Students Missing Fewer Than Six Days of School

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College and Career Readiness Performance Index (CCRPI)

• 2015, 2016, and 2017 Metric
  – Percent of Students Missing Fewer Than Six Days of School

• 2018 Metric
  – Percent of Students Absent Less Than 10% of Enrolled Days
  – Calculated as: days absent / (days absent + days present)
  – Data for 2015, 2016, and 2017 will be recalculated using the 2018 metric
FY17 Number of Pediatric Non-Emergent ER Visits By Age Group

- < 1: 291
- 1-5: 1,351
- 6-10: 941
- 11-17: 1,117
17-18 School Year
Illnesses/Treatments by School Nurse

GUYTON
1,468

SPRINGFIELD
4,134

RINCON
2,128

SAND HILL
3,755
Approach:

• 2017-2018 School Year
  – School based telemedicine pilot project
    • Guyton Elementary
    • Springfield Elementary
  – Collaboration between Effingham Health System, Effingham County Board of Education, and The Georgia Partnership for Telehealth

• 2018-2019 School Year
  – School based telemedicine project expansion
    • Sand Hill Elementary
    • Rincon Elementary
Staff and Students Enrolled in Telemed

![Bar chart showing the number of staff and students enrolled in Telemed for School Year 17-18 and School Year 18-19.](chart.png)
Telemed Encounters

- **October 2017-18:** 6 encounters
- **November 2017-18:** 4 encounters
- **December 2017-18:** 3 encounters
- **January 2018-19:** 2 encounters
- **February 2018-19:** 1 encounter
- **March 2018-19:** 2 encounters
- **April 2018-19:** 1 encounter
- **August 2018-19:** 7 encounters
- **September 2018-19:** 13 encounters
- **October 2018-19:** 6 encounters
Telemed Encounters - Staff and Student

School Year 17-18

Staff: 12
Student: 15

School Year 18-19

Staff: 5
Student: 13

Rincon Elementary: 5
Sand Hill Elementary: 4
Springfield Elementary: 2
Guyton Elementary: 2
Success

• BOE Leadership
• EHS Leadership
• Complete support and vision of the Telemed program
• Physician Champions
• Technology
• Communication
  – Partners
  – Community
Challenges

• Technology
  – Multiple partners utilizing multiple pieces of equipment.

• Program expansion
  – Planning growth to meet resources.