

# UNC Children's Meeting

August 18, 2022



- Welcome and General Announcements
- Highlight: UNC TEACCH Program
- Development Updates
- Highlight: NC PALS Access Line
- Clinical Updates
- DEI Updates
- CRI Updates



## Amy Spruance

Administrative Specialist - Pediatric Critical Care Medicine

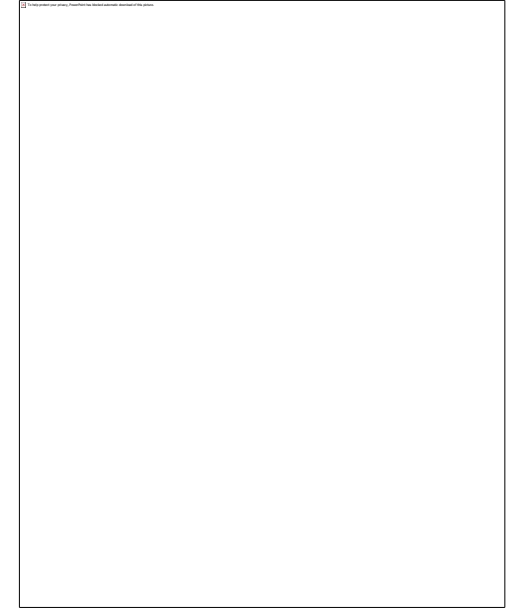
### **Nominated by Benny Joyner**

Amy has been an incredible source of value added to our PCCM team. Seeming to effortlessly supporting a growing division during our time without a full-time division administrator, she takes on tasks without complaint and completes them efficiently and expertly.

She juggles many demands placed on her by multiple faculty members, and relieves so much administrative burden on our team. She is an expert at taking a vague task and running with it, while balancing the need to gather more information. All this while managing a busy family and outside of work obligations.

Especially refreshing are her Zoom backgrounds on faculty and division meetings which feature sets from TV shows throughout the years, (forcing us to guess the shows) is a wonderful distraction.

**Simply put, the division would have floundered without her and we are all grateful to her for her efforts. Thanks, Amy!!!**



## **Catherine Habashy, MD: Hematology-Oncology/ Palliative Care**

- Starting as an Assistant Professor on September 1
- Medical School: University of Tennessee
- Residency: University of Kentucky
- Fellowship: UNC



## **Camilia Kamoun, MD: Endocrinology**

- Starting as Assistant Professor on September 1
- Medical School: University of Pennsylvania
- Residency: Cincinnati Children's
- Fellowship: Children's Hospital of Philadelphia



## **Alexandria Whitted, MSN, CPNP, PED-BC: Emergency Medicine**

- Started with UNC Children's on August 8
- MSN: University of North Carolina
- BSN: University of North Carolina



## **Latonya M. Logan, MSN, RN, CPNP-AC: Emergency Medicine**

- Started with UNC Children's on August 8
- MSN: Drexel University
- BSN: University of South Carolina Upstate
- Comes to UNC from Medical University of South Carolina



## **Raphael Smith, MS: Genetics and Metabolism**

- Started with UNC Children's on August 1
- Bachelor of Science: Appalachian State
- Master of Science: UNC-Greensboro



## **Ashlyn Stackhouse, MS: Genetics and Metabolism**

- Started with UNC Children's on July 11
- Bachelor of Science: UNC
- Master of Science: Virginia Commonwealth University



## **Amari Howard, MD: Gastroenterology**

- Fellowship: Children's National Medical Center
- Residency: Jefferson/A.I. Dupont Hospital for Children
- Medical School: University of Pittsburgh



## **Wade Harrison, MD, MPH: Hospital Medicine**

- Started as an Assistant Professor on August 22
- Medical School: Dartmouth
- Residency: University of Utah
- Fellowship: UNC



## **Kelley Ward, MD: Hospital Medicine**

- Started as an Assistant Professor on July 1
- Medical School: University of Florida
- Residency: University of Florida
- Comes to UNC from Advent Health Ocala





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**TEACCH**<sup>®</sup>

Autism Program

*Services Across the Lifespan*

# TEACCH Autism Program Overview

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August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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# TEACCH Mission Statement



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Established in 1972, the University of North Carolina TEACCH Autism Program **creates and disseminates** community-based services, **training** programs, and **research** to enhance the quality of life of individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder and their families.



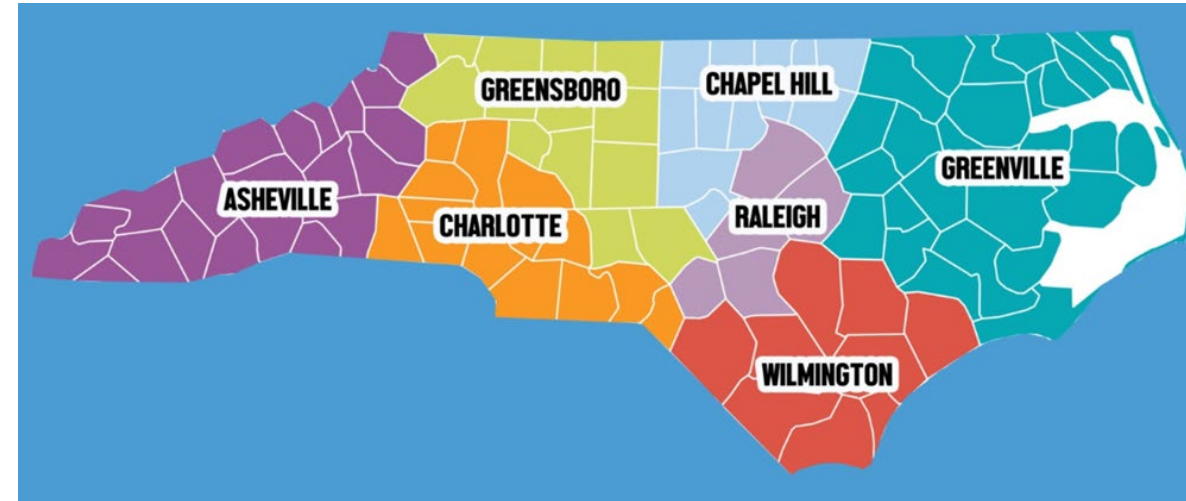
# Clinical Services 2021



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- 7 Regional Outpatient Clinics
  - Diagnostic evaluations across the lifespan
  - Intervention services across the lifespan including mental health, speech, and occupational therapy
  - 94/100 counties served
- Employment Services
  - Triad & Triangle regions
- Adult Residential Program



## WHAT ARE PEOPLE SAYING ABOUT US

92% of our clients and families rated our overall quality of care as "excellent." Here are just a few of the comments we received in our newly revamped Client Satisfaction Survey.

“My son has seen many, many doctors over his 14 years, and by far the TEACCH Clinician has been the one medical person to win him over. He likes her the most and trusts her only.”

“The TEACCH team provided excellent care to my son and me throughout his whole diagnosis process. We are very grateful.”

“The TEACCH clinicians were knowledgeable, friendly, and helpful. I have had 3 kids evaluated at this center and I have had a wonderful experience every time.”

“Our TEACCH Team was amazing. Their tips and suggestions for my son helped him and me so much. He has made tremendous improvement and continues to thrive.”

# Student and Professional Development 2021



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**105**  
Events

**46**  
Countries

**42**  
States

**5,617**  
Participants



# Research 2021



12

Grants

33

Publications

23

Conference Presentations



**BLACK FAMILIES  
and PROVIDERS  
ACCESSING  
SERVICES TOGETHER**

A UNC TEACCH Autism Program Project



PCORI approved funding of a 5-year, multi-site study focused on suicide prevention for adolescents and young adults on the autism spectrum.



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**T-STEP**  
Program



**TEACCH School Transition to Employment and Postsecondary Education**




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August Update

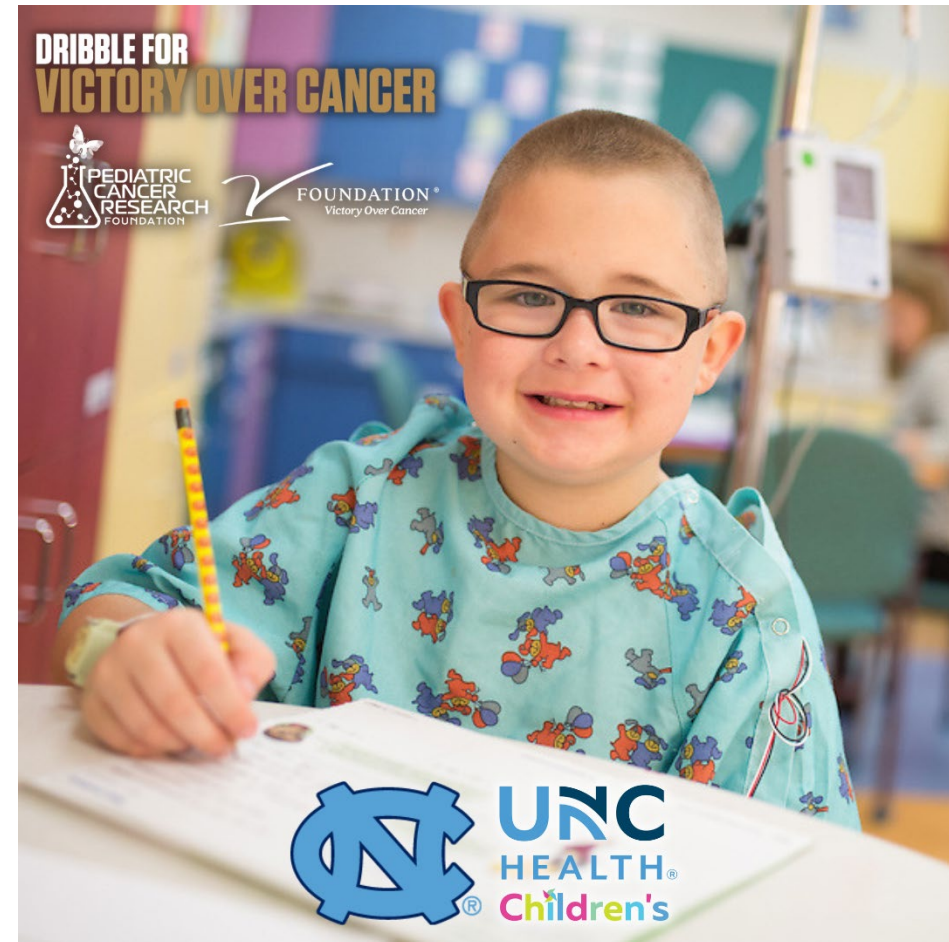
# Dribble for Victory Over Cancer

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**When:** Sunday, August 28th

**Where:** Carmichael Arena

Dribble for Victory Over Cancer is coming to UNC! On August 28, 2022 the North Carolina Tar Heels and UNC Men's and Women's Basketball teams will join us, in conjunction with the Pediatric Cancer Research and V Foundations, to raise awareness and funds supporting lifesaving research at UNC Children's Hospital 



# Liam Strong Charity Beach Run



**When:** Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** Johnny Mercer's Pier  
Wrightsville Beach

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Liam Strong Charity Beach Run is taking place at Wrightsville Beach in honor of Liam Batten who passed away from brain cancer at just 6 months old. The Batten Family has continuously exemplified grace by channeling loss into care. Their goal is to raise another \$40,000 for the PICU and Pediatric Hematology and Oncology Fund at UNC Children's.



# Raise a Racquet



**When:** Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** The FARM

1 Alice Ingram Circle

Chapel Hill, NC 27517

Raise a Racquet is back and better than ever! This year, they'll be holding their Round Robin Tournament and welcome back their Kids' Rally. The online silent auction will open on September 1. Their goal is to raise \$35,000 for the FARM Patient and Family Assistance Fund



THANK YOU AND HAPPY SUMMER!





# The North Carolina Psychiatry Access Line (NC-PAL)

**(919) 681-2909**

A collaboration between NC Department of Health  
and Human Services, UNC Center for Women's  
Mood Disorders, and Duke Psychiatry

Funded by the Health Resources and  
Services Administration (HRSA)

# What is NC-PAL?

**NC-PAL** provides primary care clinicians with support for mental and behavioral health screening, assessment, and treatment of their *pediatric* and *perinatal* patients.



## Real-time Consultation

Provide clinical consultation and referral support via NC-PAL phone line and one-time assessments



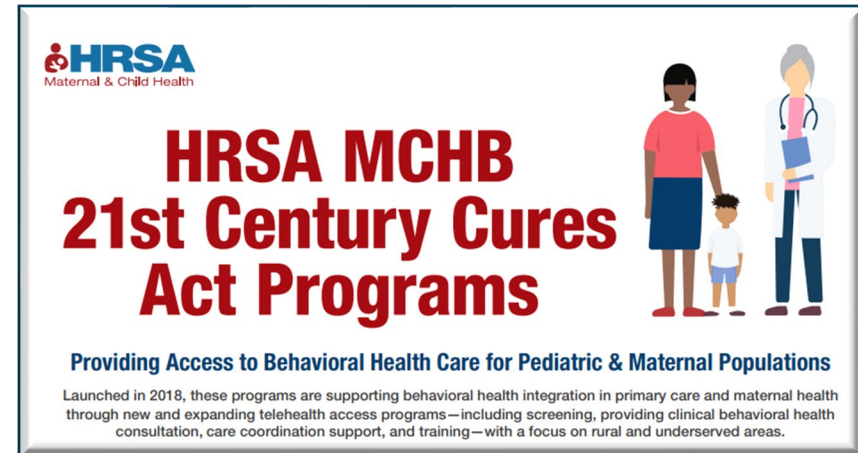
## In-Depth Education

Support providers through training and strategies for integrating mental health into primary care practice

# The History



- In 2017, NC-PAL was funded by a managed care organization (Cardinal Innovations) a two year pilot program to support pediatric mental health telephone consultation to six counties
- In 2018, North Carolina DHHS received two grants from HRSA to launch NC-PAL statewide and integrate a perinatal consultation program (known as NC Maternal Mental Health MATTERS)
- In 2022, North Carolina DHHS supported an expansion of NC-PAL, including additional resources for clinician training and complex consultation services



# The NC-PAL Consultation Model

## The Process

**Call: (919) 681-2909**



**NC-PAL Child  
Psychiatry**



**NC-PAL  
Perinatal  
Psychiatry**

- ❑ BHC answers call, collects patient information, and determines caller needs
- ❑ CAP or PMHS are connected to caller within 30 minutes



Provider receives resource and referral support for patient



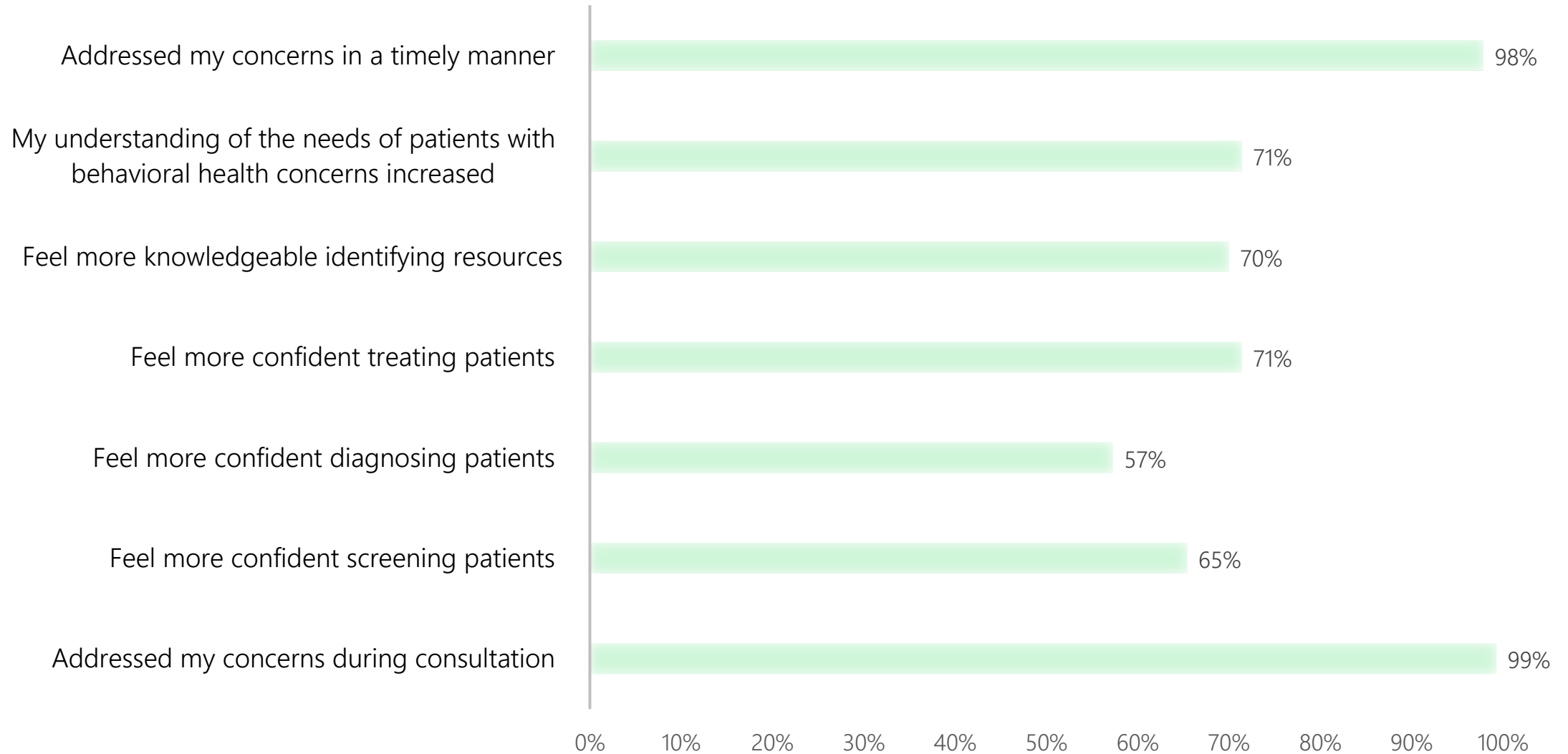
Provider receives consultation related to diagnostic and treatment questions



Patient referred for one-time psychiatric assessment to support care planning

# Satisfaction Across Programs

December 2019 - December 2020



## Training

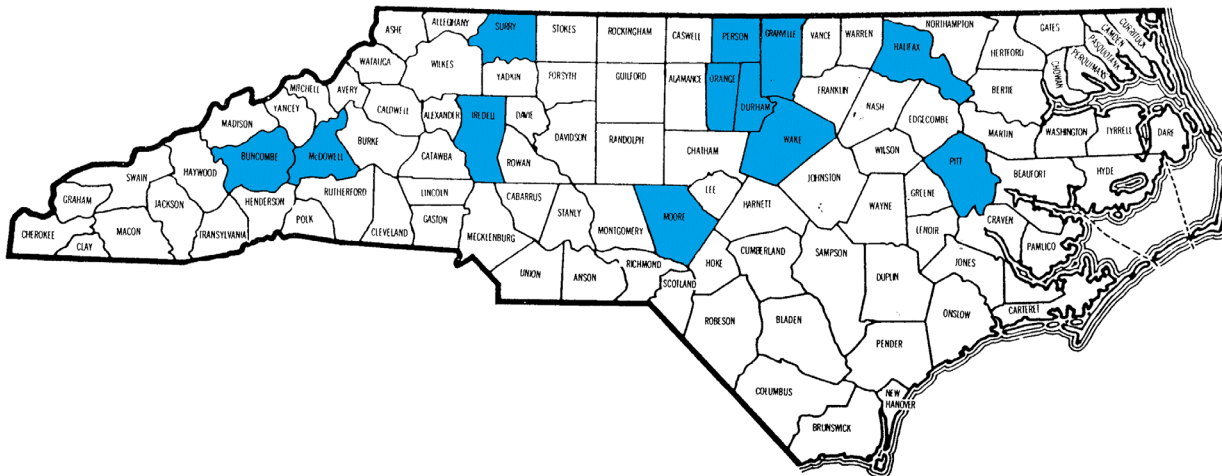
Partnership with the **REACH Institute** to offer 2 mini-fellowships per year (next in February, 2021)

- To date: 51 providers from 12 counties

Piloting a **residency curriculum**

- Be ExPeRT = Behavioral Health Expansion in Pediatric Residency Training

Offering **virtual didactic presentations** to practices



## PATIENT-CENTERED MENTAL HEALTH IN PEDIATRIC PRIMARY CARE (PPP) MINI-FELLOWSHIP

**YOU'RE INVITED!**

**When:** September 25-27, 2020 (Course begins at 11:30a Friday and ends at 1p Sunday)

**Where:** Virtually via Zoom!

**Level of commitment:** 15 hours over 3 days AND 2 hour-long conference calls per month for 6 months



This training is funded by the North Carolina Psychiatry Access Line (NC-PAL). For more information, please email Chelsea Swanson (chelsea.swanson@duke.edu) or Dr. Alison Manning (alison.manning@duke.edu)



## Contact Information

**Website:** [ncpal.org](https://ncpal.org)

**Phone:** 919-681-2909

- 1. Pediatric: extension 1**
- 2. Perinatal: extension 2**

**Hours:** Monday-Friday 8am-5pm

Please note, NC-PAL is **not** a crisis line. If you have a patient in crisis, please call 911



# Thank You!

NC-PAL is a collaboration between the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Duke's Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, UNC Department of Psychiatry, and UNC Center for Women's Mood Disorders.

The pediatric program is supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as part of an award totaling \$2,670,000 with 20% financed with non-governmental sources. The contents are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily represent the official views of, nor an endorsement, by HRSA, HHS, or the U.S. Government.

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# Clinical Updates



- Capacity
  - No closure to ped trauma (in accreditation reporting period)
- Inpatient Staffing Updates
  - Children's Quality Coordinator – Amber Kirkley
  - NCCC Expansion Nurse Manager – Kate Carver (transition in Nov)
  - 7CH Nurse Manager – position filled, announcement coming soon
  - 82 RN staff onboarding this summer
- Ongoing efforts:
  - PICU/PCICU/Cards educator position approved
  - RN - PICU, OR, CSSU

After Labor Day, UNC Health is going live with online self-scheduling for flu shots.

Pediatric patients can be self-scheduled, as well, and we are working on setting this up at our Peds Primary Care Clinic on Farrington Road.

# Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

August 2022



## Achieved

- Diversity Bi-Monthly Town Halls
- Diversity Monthly Newsletters
- Safe Reporting on Website
- Safe reporting posters distributed
- Climate Survey
- Dept Allyship Workshop
- Diversity Statement review for promotions
- Committee by laws

## In Progress

- Sub-committees
- Mission Statement to Website
- Standardized Questions for Selection Committees
- Pager Triage process
- Formalizing CV review process

## Upcoming

- Interpreter I-Pads in ICU
- Peds Wellness Room
- Peds Diversity Office
- Retreat
- Revised Genderbread card for website
- Department SafeZone Training
- Health Equity Rounds
- Scripts for Discrimination response
- REI Training for Diversity Committee members
- Mentorship for URM Faculty
- Pipeline for Students/Residents in Peds-Focus groups
- Exit interviews for those departing
- Holiday schedule for various religious holidays

# Children's Research Institute

August 2022



- Carolina for the Kids Faculty and Fellow Research Awards
  - \$40,000 for Assistant, Associate or Full Professors; \$5,000 for clinical fellows or research postdocs
- UNC Children's Development Early Career Investigator Award
  - \$10,000 for Assistant Professors
- **Faculty awards are open to MDs, MD-PhDs, and PhDs; fellow awards are open to clinical fellows as well as postdocs**
- Awards support research occurring across UNC Children's
  - You may apply provided the work you are proposing relates to child health
- For more info, visit <http://childrensresearch.unc.edu/grants> or email [childrensresearch@med.unc.edu](mailto:childrensresearch@med.unc.edu)

**Sept. 13** Chengwen Li, PhD  
Associate Professor, UNC Gene Therapy Center  
12:15-1:30 pm, Zoom video meeting



**Oct. 11** Matthew Egberg, MD, MPH  
Assistant Professor, Pediatric Gastroenterology  
12:15-1:30 pm, Zoom video meeting



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