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Update to Benchmarks

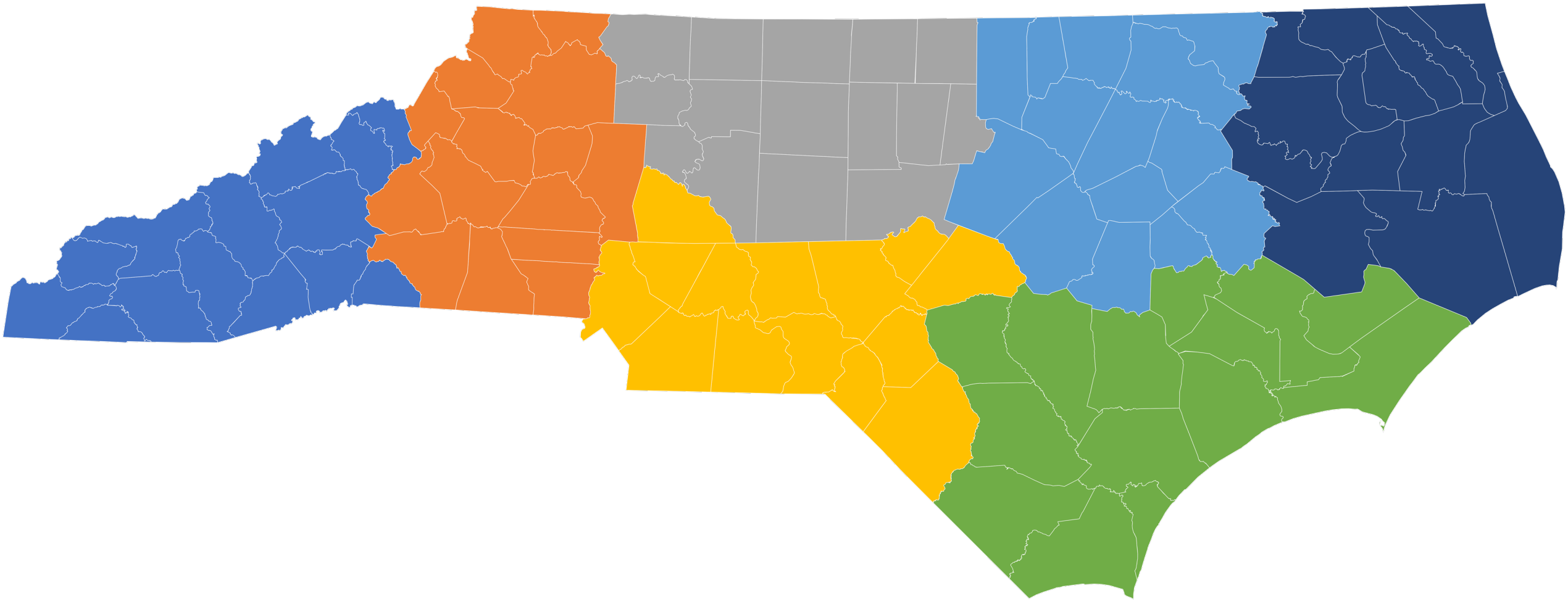
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AGENDA

- **Regional Support Model**
- **Statewide Service Array**
- **Hot Topics:**
  - **Transition Aged Youth**
  - **Covid-19 Vaccinations for Youth**

Regional Support Map



Current Regional Support Positions

Regional Child Welfare Consultants (RCWCs)

Combined both Children's Program Representatives (CPR's) Staff and Monitoring Staff to have sufficient numbers to allocate only 1 staff for each group of 5 counties to provide minimal CQI efforts focusing on all aspects of Child Welfare

Regional System of Care Specialists

Responsible for development of a regional networks of community agencies that provide essential services for children and families served or at risk of entering the child welfare system.

Regional Abuse and Medical Specialists (RAMS)

Provide case consultation for children at high risk for future maltreatment.

Proposed Regional Support Positions

Specialized staff for each county (Expansion Budget)

- **Child Protective Services**
- **Permanency (Foster Care and Adoption)**
- **Continuous Quality Improvement**

Transition Aged Youth Specialist (Governor's Recovery Budget)

Statewide Services Array

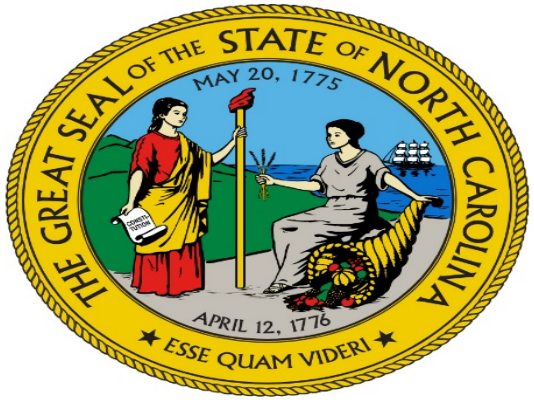
Service array refers to the range of service options, including methods for coordinating services available to address holistically the individual needs of children, youth, and families, as determined by a thorough assessment, within a geographic area.

Strategies to Achieve Service Array

- Regional FFPSA prevention services through statewide contracts
- Alignment of prevention services funded through CBCAP with Regional Support Model
- Use of American Rescue Act funding for community-based programs consistent with Regional Support Model
- Use of 7 Prevention System of Care Specialists to ensure DSS is connected to available services
- Leverage of NCCARES 360

Other Updates:

- COVID Youth Vaccination
- 21 and over return to Expanded Foster Care
- Limits on FFPSA candidacy


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