

# UNC School of Medicine Expansion Study Status Report

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# Need: from UNC Tomorrow...

- North Carolina needs more physicians, especially in rural and inner city areas.
- Many areas of the state are experiencing provider shortages, especially among certain specialties: psychiatry, general surgery and providers that deliver babies.
- Current growth of providers will not keep pace with the state's growing healthcare needs.
- The University can help address this challenge by expanding medical education.

# Aims of expansion strategy...

- Increase the number of medical students and meet increased demand for physicians across North Carolina.
- Improve medical education for all UNC SOM students.
- Build upon relationships across the state -- especially AHEC.
- Keep costs to the taxpayers as low as possible while providing an outstanding medical education.

# Medical education at Carolina...

- 160 students per class
- Preclinical years (1 and 2)
  - » Multidisciplinary courses in basic science
  - » All students in Chapel Hill
- Clinical years (3 and 4)
  - » Core clerkships (FM, Peds, Ob-Gyn, Med, Surg, Neuro, Psych)
  - » Advanced selectives
  - » Clinical Electives
  - » 60% of student rotations here, 40% at AHEC sites and elsewhere
- 39% of our students stay in NC for training

# Overview of expansion strategy...

- Take first year from 160 to up to 230.
- First two years in Chapel Hill.
- Last two years at a satellite campus.
  - Charlotte – 50 students per class
  - Asheville -- 20 students per class
- Central management of curriculum will take place in Chapel Hill.
- Each campus will develop curricular innovations that will maximize the unique strengths of each region.

# Charlotte

- Partnership with Carolinas HealthCare System (CHS).
- Carolinas Medical Center (CMC).
- 200 service delivery sites.
- Currently operates 15 graduate education training programs for over 200 residents and fellows.
- Strong existing relationship with UNC SOM and AHEC.

# Asheville

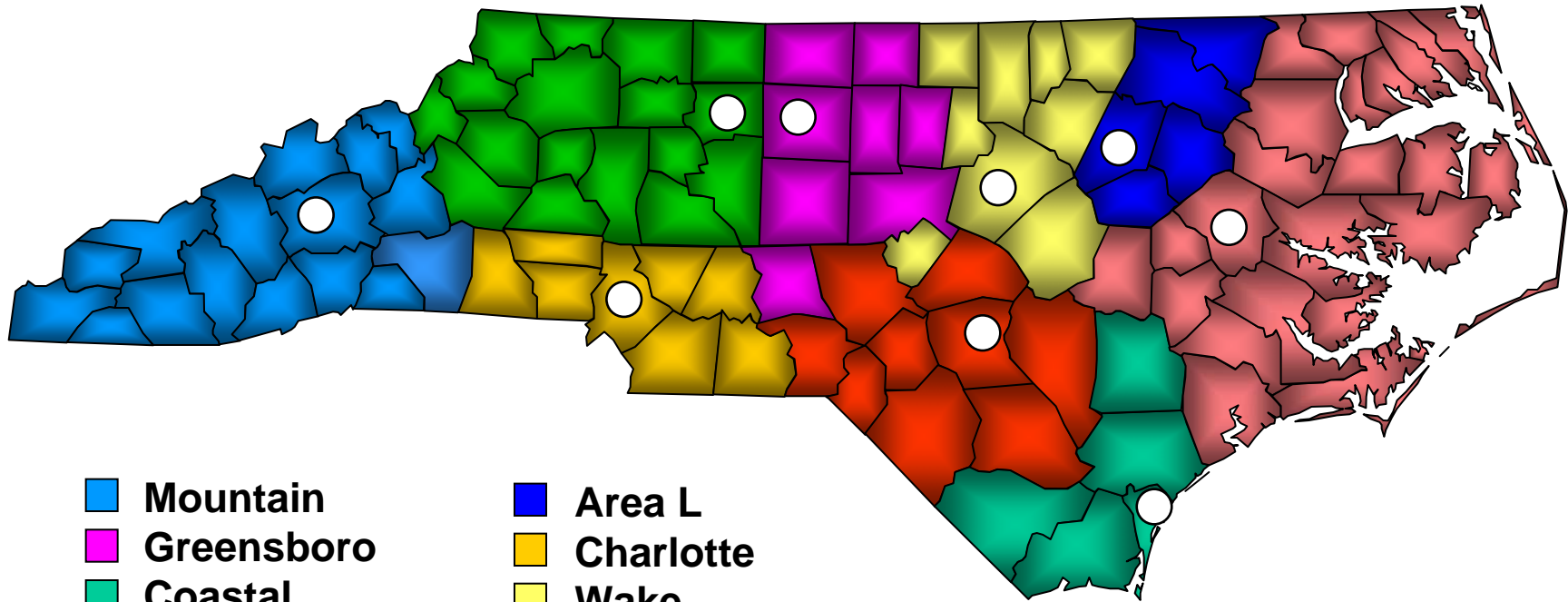
- Partnership with consortium that includes:
  - Mission Hospital
  - Mountain Area Health Education Center (MAHEC)
  - Western North Carolina Health Network
  - Medical staffs of each organization
- Regional strategy builds upon AHEC network

# AHEC

- Core Programs:
  1. Community-based student training
  2. Primary care residency programs
  3. Continuing education
  4. Library services
  5. Health careers and workforce diversity
- Critical for UNC SOM curriculum and expansion
- Will need to increase residencies

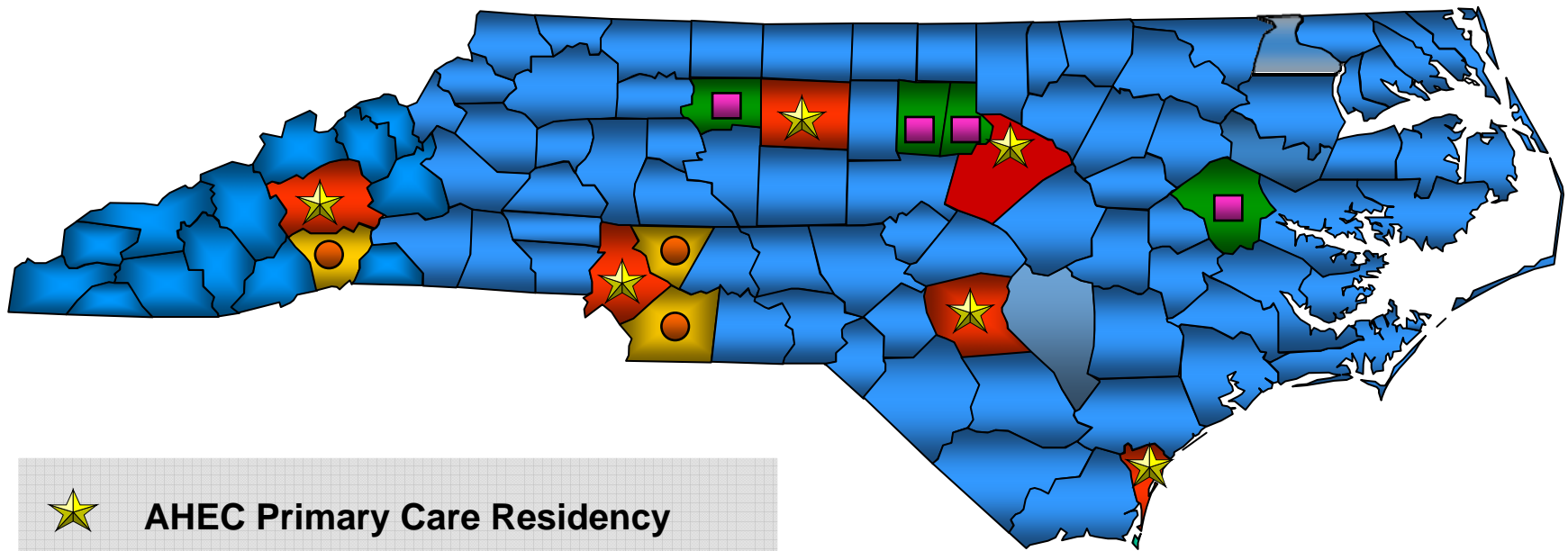


# NC AHEC Statewide Map



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| <span style="color: magenta;">■</span> Greensboro    | <span style="color: yellow;">■</span> Charlotte |
| <span style="color: teal;">■</span> Coastal          | <span style="color: yellow;">■</span> Wake      |
| <span style="color: green;">■</span> Northwest       | <span style="color: pink;">■</span> Eastern     |
| <span style="color: red;">■</span> Southern Regional |   |

# Primary Care Residency Programs with AHEC Support



- ★ AHEC Primary Care Residency
- Academic Health Center
- Family Medicine Rural Track Site

# Next Steps:

- Continue consultations with each AHEC for need and capacity.
- Consult with UNCC, UNCA and WCU.
- Consult with Brody School of Medicine at ECU.
- Refine budgets and business case.
- Develop strategy to increase residencies throughout the state as demand will increase.
- Review with UNC Chapel Hill Board of Trustees at their January meeting. Contingent on approval, send to General Administration.