Outpatient Tele-behavioral Health Services Increasing Access And Improving Outcomes Through Added Capacity

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### Goals of this Presentation:

- Understand the charge and service continuum of DAYMARK Recovery Services and how Telemedicine is used as a successful tool in accomplishing our goals.
- Understand general work flows and processes.
- Real life examples of how telemedicine is used at DAYMARK Recovery Services.

### **About DAYMARK**

### **Our Mission:**

Daymark® Recovery Services, Inc. is a mission driven, comprehensive community provider of culturally competent mental health and substance abuse services. The Daymark® goal is for skilled medical and behavioral healthcare professionals to support citizens of all ages and their families with the greatest opportunity for recovery, independence and the highest quality of life. We are committed to using the most current best practices and effective, research-based treatment programs to assist all citizens working toward achieving optimum health and recovery.

### **About Daymark**

- Provides care to patients throughout NC through many community based services and 42 locations
- Provides approx. 53,000 persons with mental health and substance abuse services annually
- Provides a continuum of care from crisis walk-ins (walk in Advanced Access), to core outpatient services, some enhanced services, and residential and facility based crisis services

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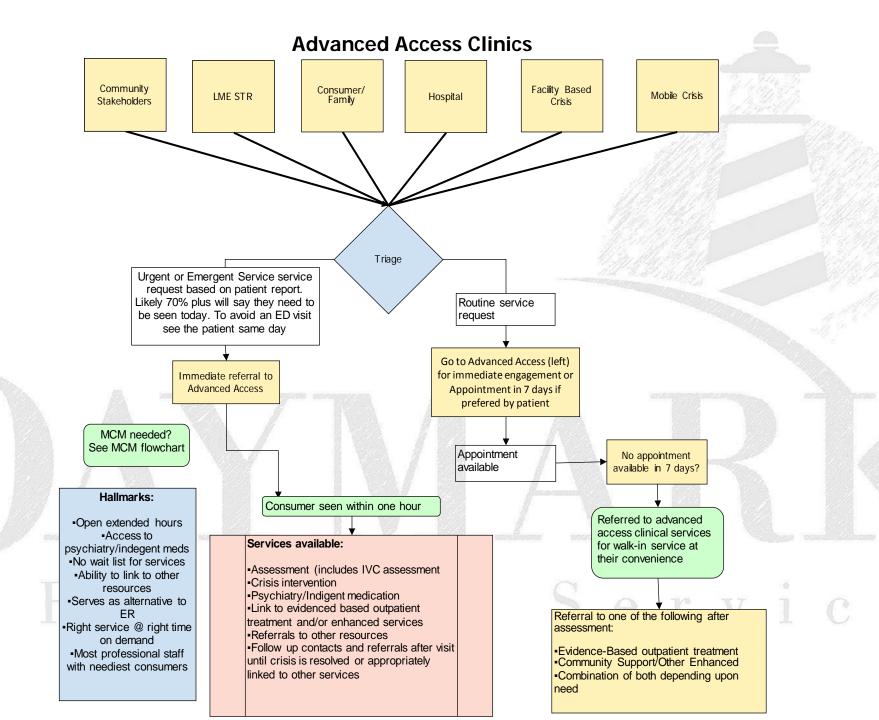
### Hallmarks of our System

- Advanced Access (walk-in)/Part of an Outpatient Clinic (Assessment, Individual/Group therapy, medication management)
- Enhanced Service Continuum to refer within continuums of care based on medical necessity (note: Enhanced care is less than 5% of our business)

### Impact of using Tele-Behavioral Health in our clinics to increase capacity

**Before** After

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Wait list to see Medical Staff	No wait list			
New appointments (assessment) 20-60 days out	Same day access for assessment			
Persons presenting or calling needing	On demand appointment for assessment given.			
emergency care referred directly to hospital	Emergency room utilized only if medically			
emergency department	necessary			
Almost all individual therapy with less intensity	Depending on the center 60-40% or 70-30% group			
of appointments due to scheduling conflicts and	d treatment compared to individual			
high no-show rates	treatment. Minimizes no-show impact, increases			
	billable units and delivers a heavier dose of			
	evidenced based care due to increased frequency			
First appointment no-show rate 50% with	First appointments given on demand, walk-in			
routine appointments no-show rate 33%	encouraged, follow up appointments 9-13% no-show			
	rate			
Medical Team no-show rate 20-30%	Medical team No-show rate 5-10%			
Emergency Department wait times average four	Emergency department wait times average less than			
days LOS	48 hours in most cases			
State Hospital Admissions at 110% capacity	State hospital admissions below capacity and re-			
with readmissions above the national average	admissions at or below the national average			



### **Executive Summary**

Telepsychiatry is part of a growing national trend called telemedicine, in which physicians can see patients from remote locations using secure video and audio-streaming technology called videoconferencing. Using this system, a psychiatrist or other professional can talk to and physically view the patient through a video screen with a web camera and microphone. On the other end, the patient can view the psychiatrist through a similar audio-visual system.

This technology is embedded in our clinics and is part of the normal work flow. It enables us to bring a provider on demand to the patient.

### Definition of Telepsychiatry

The definition of tele-psychiatry is the delivery of acute mental health or substance abuse care, including diagnosis or treatment, by means of a secure, two-way real-time interactive audio and video by a health care provider in a remote location to an individual needing care at a referring site. "The term does not include the standard use of telephones, facsimile transmissions, unsecured electronic mail, or a combination of these in the course of care," according to N.C. General Statute § 143B-139.4B.

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### Benefits of Telepsychiatry

- 1. Travel time is reduced or eliminated.
- 2. Telehealth equipment costs have plummeted.
- 3. Patients in distress can be seen more quickly, reducing relapse events.
- 4. Consultations with off-site specialists can be quickly carried out.
- 5. Off-site and part-time behavioral health specialists can be members of the clinic team via telehealth.
- 6. Staff can meet and collaborate more easily, especially when connecting staff located at various sites.

*Source:* U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, "Increasing Access to Behavioral Health Care Through Technology," Meeting Summary, March 30, 2012, Rockville, MD, published February 2013, p. 3.

### Scope of Services

Clinical applications of telemedicine encompass diagnostic, therapeutic, and forensic modalities across the lifespan. Common applications include pre-hospitalization assessment and post-hospital follow-up care, scheduled and urgent outpatient visits, medication management, psychotherapy and consultation.

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### Clinical Interviews

Telemental health interviews may be conducted between physicians in consultation, between a physician and other qualified providers (e.g., a case manager, clinical nurse practitioner or physician assistant), or between mental health professionals and a patient. Other persons, such as another health care provider or family member, may also be present in a patient interview. The Telemental health interview may be an adjunct to periodic face-to-face contact or may be the only contact; and is typically supported by additional communications technologies such as faxed or emailed consultation information or transmission of an electronic medical record.

### **Emergency Evaluations**

Emergency evaluations for psychiatric hospitalization can be conducted via telemedicine, and usually will require additional personnel to provide physical control of the environment and possibly the patient, for patient safety. Situations such as a patient who is suicidal, homicidal, or suffering from dementia or acute psychosis may require additional personnel in the room in addition to family members. In general, adequate support staff or responsible family members shall be present at the remote site in order to safely care for the patient.

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## From NC General Statute 122C-263. Duties of law-enforcement officer; first examination by physician or eligible psychologist

When the examination set forth in subsection (a) of this section is performed by a physician or eligible psychologist the respondent may either be in the physical face-to-face presence of the physician or eligible psychologist or may be examined utilizing telemedicine equipment and **procedures**. A physician or eligible psychologist who examines a respondent by means of telemedicine must be satisfied to a reasonable medical certainty that the determinations made in accordance with subsection (d) of this section would not be different if the examination had been done in the physical presence of the physician or eligible psychologist.

### Telepsychiatry Professional Services

The following providers enrolled in the Medicaid program who provide this service may bill Medicaid or NCHC:

- a. Physicians.
- b. Advanced practice psychiatric nurse practitioners.
- c. Advanced practice psychiatric clinical nurse specialists.
- d. Licensed psychologists (doctorate level).
- e. Licensed clinical social workers (LCSW).
- f. Community diagnostic assessment agencies.

From: NC Division of Medical Assistance Medicaid and Health Choice Telemedicine and Telepsychiatry Clinical Coverage Policy No: 1H Amended Date: November 15, 2013

### Facility Fees

The following providers may bill for a facility fee when their office or facility is the site at which the beneficiary is located when the service is provided:

Physicians	Licensed clinical social workers (LCSW)		
Nurse practitioners	Physician's Assistants		
Nurse midwives	Hospitals (inpatient or outpatient)		
Advanced practice psychiatric nurse practitioners	Federally qualified health centers		
Advanced practice psychiatric clinical nurse specialists	Rural health clinics		
Licensed psychologists (doctorate level)	Local health departments		
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From: NC Division of Medical Assistance Medicaid and Health Choice Telemedicine and Telepsychiatry Clinical Coverage Policy No: 1H Amended Date: November 15, 2013 - Refer to Attachment A, Section C, for a list of

billable codes.

Responding to the shortage of psychiatrists in North Carolina

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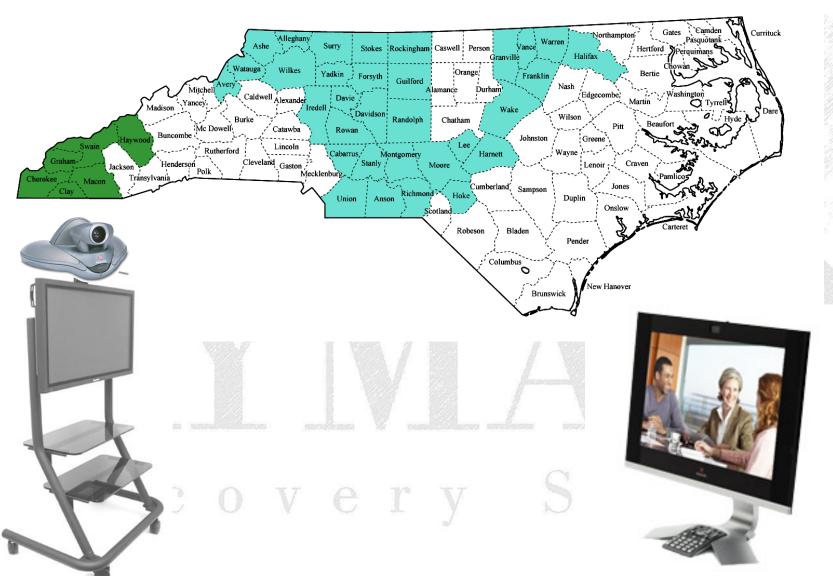
### Annual Profile of Health Professionals in North Carolina, Physician Specialties, 2011

Type of Physician Specialty	Counties with 0	Counties with 1	Counties with 2 or more	Total # of Professionals Statewide
Addiction Psychiatry	95	3	2	9
Addiction/Chemical Dependency	87	9	4	22
Psychiatry	28	18	54	971
Child Psychiatry	70	14	16	146
Geriatric Psychiatry	94	4	2	9

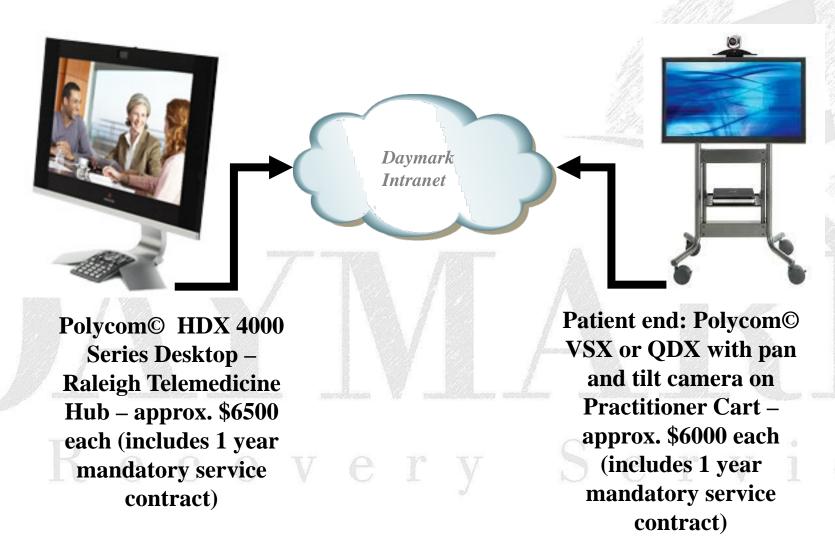
*Note:* The 28 counties in North Carolina that do not have a psychiatrist are Alleghany, Anson, Ashe, Bertie, Bladen, Camden, Dare, Edgecombe, Franklin, Gates, Graham, Hoke, Hyde, Jackson, Jones, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Montgomery, Northampton, Pamlico, Scotland, Swain, Transylvania, Tyrrell, Warren, and Yancey.

*Source:* The Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research at UNC-Chapel Hill. See the Excel spreadsheet for physician specialties. On the Internet at http://www.shepscenter.unc.edu/hp/prof2011.htm.

### Telepsychiatry at Daymark:



"Codecs", or "End-Points" allow two or more locations to conduct telemedicine sessions or staff meetings/trainings with full, two-way interactive, audio and video, over the Daymark dedicated IP network ("intranet"). This brings people together, as if they are in the same room!



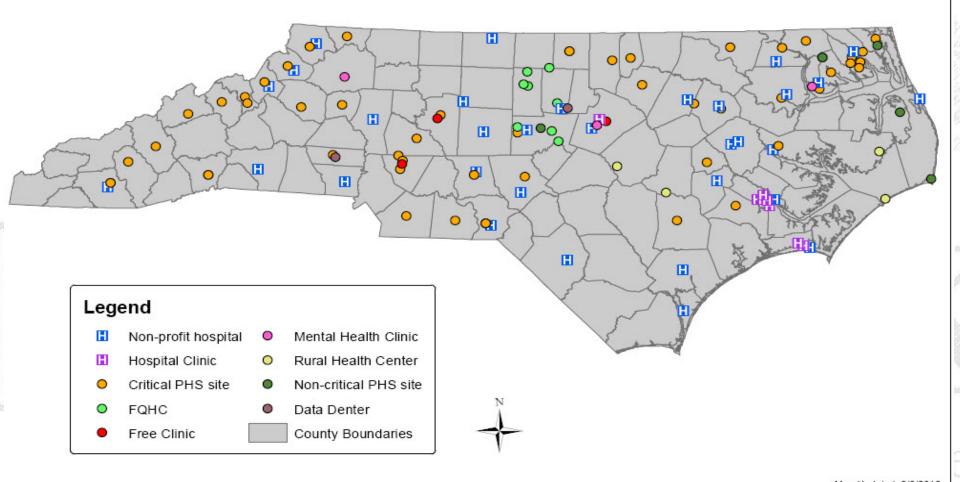
### Daymark is a member of the NC Telehealth Network



The NC Telehealth Network (NCTN) provides high-speed, reliable, and cost-efficient broadband services with 65% permanent discounts to eligible public and non-profit health care providers in North Carolina through a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Program called the Healthcare Connect Fund.

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#### North Carolina Telehealth Network Sites







Daymark servers at Concord, NC IT headquarters



Daymark Telepsychiatry Locations

North Carolina
→ Telehealth ←
Network

Alleghany (2)
Archdale
Ashe Co. (3)

Ashe Co. (3)
Asheboro (2)

Avery (2)

Buies Creek (2)

Cabarrus (3)

**CRC** - Kannapolis

CRC Statesville (2)

CRC Union (2)

Davidson

Forsyth (2)

Guilford - Dr. office (3)

Iredell (2)

Pinehurst (3)

Raeford

Raleigh (6)

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Stanly (3)

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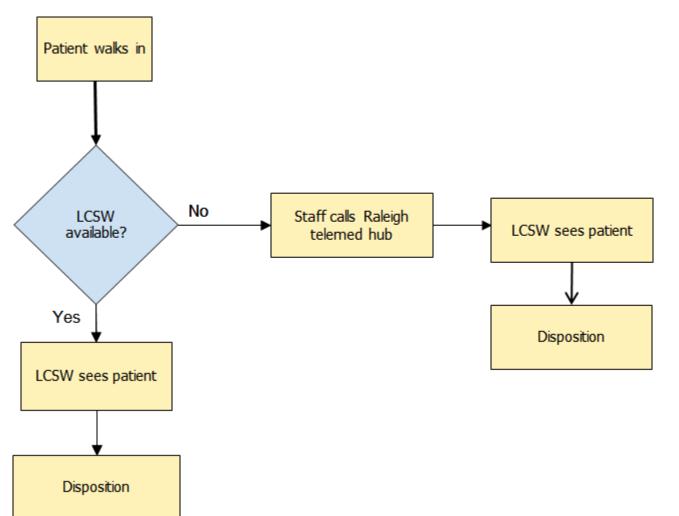
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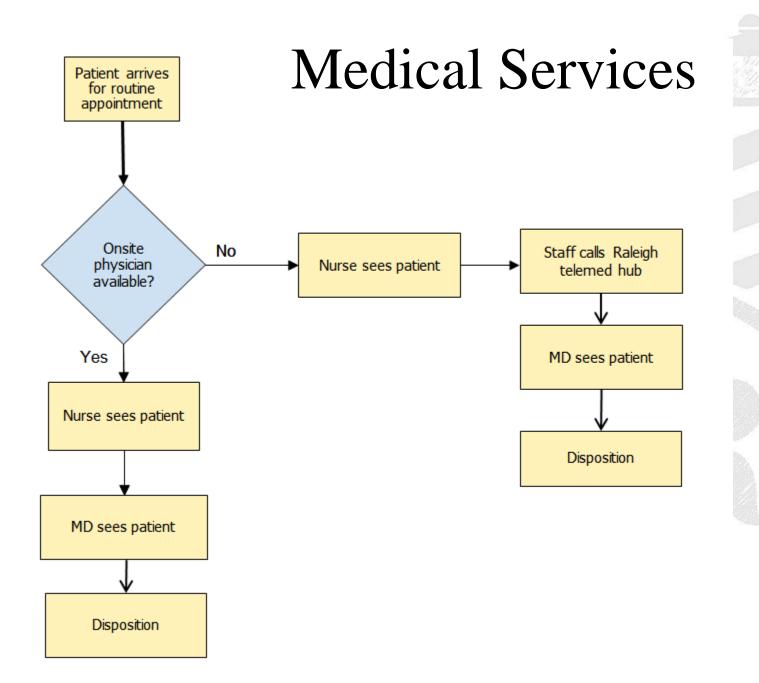
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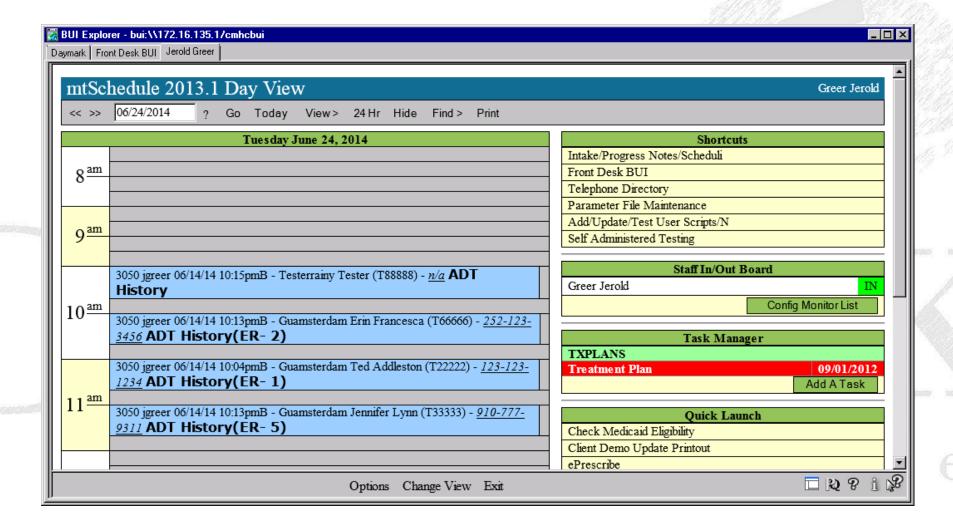
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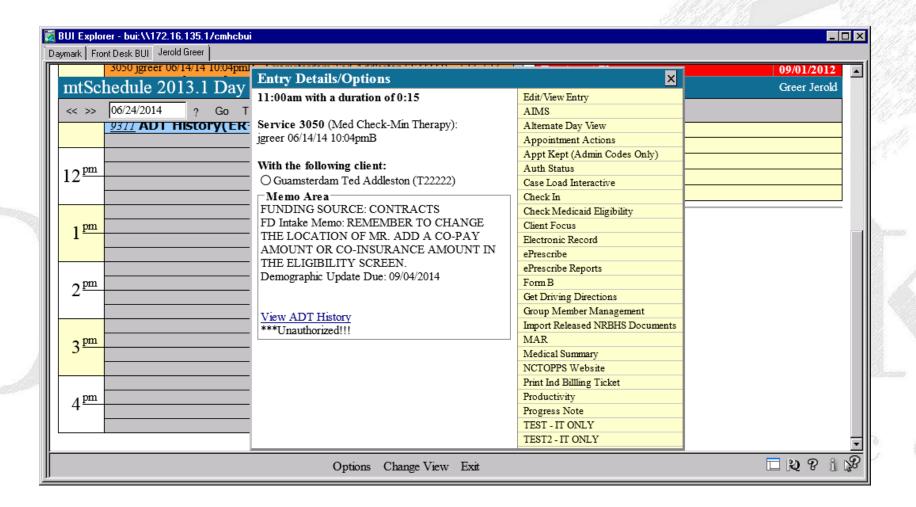
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## General Services – Clinical (not Medical)











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04/02/2014	04/03/2014	Carolinas Medical Center - Northeast	SUICIDAL THOUGHTS	SUICIDAL THOUGHTS	ED	1

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### Medical Staff Utilization

- DAYMARK has approximately 60 plus psychiatrist employed at any given time.
- 27 of our doctors perform on demand and routine telemedicine services.
- For FY 2014 our doctors performed over 9,000 tele-health services

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### Non-Physician Services

- DAYMARK has one Licensed Clinical Social Worker dedicated to Tele-health.
- The LCSW sits in our Wake County Tele-medicine Hub and spends 90% plus of his time performing on demand walk-in assessments.
- Less than 10% of his appointments are follow up for routine services.
- Our LCSW performed 305 tele-health services in FY 2014

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# Questions & Answers