

# **Broadband Connectivity is Transforming Healthcare**

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# Mobile Broadband and Emergency Medicine

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# The Mississippi Experience

- Mobile Tele-Assist System
- Collaborative Relationship with Regional Cellular Carrier
- Extensive telemedicine system
- The changing healthcare environment
- Pre-hospital challenges and opportunities



# The Big Challenge



**Population Coverage** 

Geographic Coverage

# Your plan to meet the challenge?



Make Operational Changes to match coverage
OR
Make Coverage match Operational Changes

## The Role of Telemedicine



# Supportive Oversight Direct Clinical Care

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# Telemedicine in Arkansas

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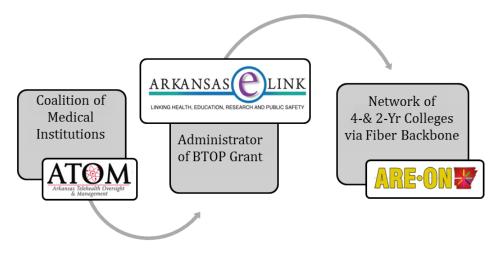


## What is Arkansas e-Link?

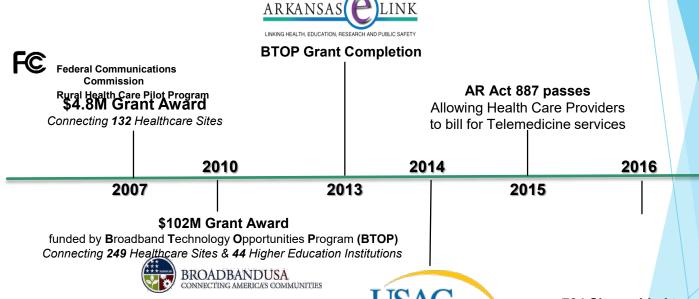
A dedicated high-speed, HIPPA compliant broadband network with video access to 1000+ endpoints.

The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) applied for \$102 million in ARRA broadband economic recovery funds to expand and integrate two existing networks:

- Arkansas Telehealth Network
- Arkansas Research and Education Optical Network (ARE-ON)



# Evolution from FCC Rural Health Care Pilot Program to USAC Health Care Connect Fund (HCF) Consortium Leader

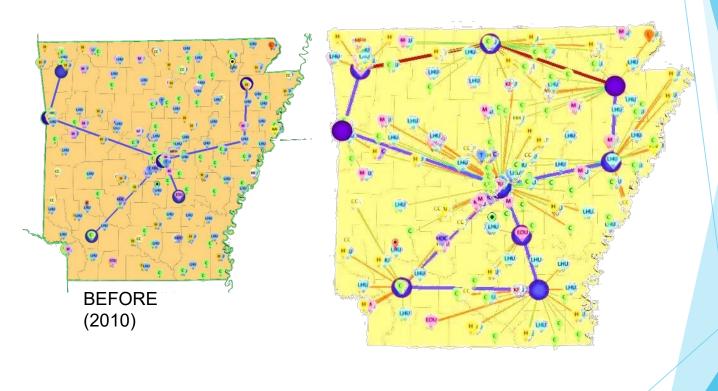


Universal Service Administrative Company®

Arkansas e-Link became
RHCF Consortium Leader

724 Sites added to RFP for USAC eligibility consideration

# Arkansas' Connectivity Before & After BTOP



**AFTER (2013)** 

# Health Care Disparity

Where you live should not determine whether you live or die!



# **ANGELS Telemedicine Program**





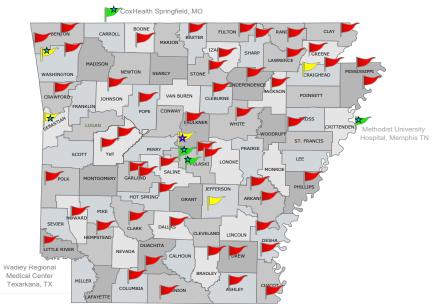
## **ANGELS Telemedicine Consults**



FY 2018
2,822
Telemedicine
patient visits
provided across
the state







#### Receiving Sites (INTERVENTION & ICU CAPABLE )

UAMS Medical Center Little Rock Pulaski
Baptist Health Medical Center Little Rock Pulaski
Con Health Medical Center Springfield Missouri
Methodist University Hospital Memphis Fennessee
Sparks Forth Smith Sebastian
Washington Regional Medical Center Fayetteville Washington



#### Receiving Facilities (ICU CAPABLE)

| Jefferson Regional Medical Center | Pine Bluff | Jefferson | Conway | Faulkner | Wadley Regional Medical Center | Texarkana | Texas | St. Bernard's Regional Medical Center | Jonesboro | Craighead

Name City County



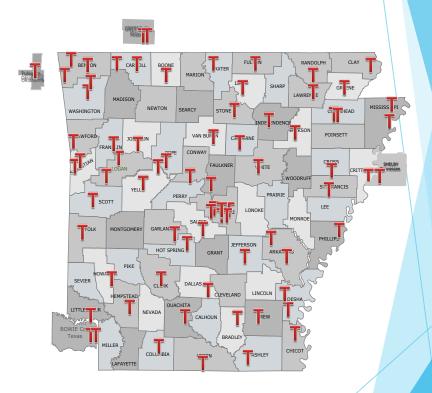
Baptist Health Medical Center	Arkadelphia Ashdown	Clark Little River
Little River Memorial Hospital White River Medical Center	Ashdown Ratesville	Independence
Saline Memorial Hospital	Renton	Saline
		Benton
Northwest Medical Center	Bentonville	Denton
Siloam Springs Regional Hospital	Siloam Springs	Benton
Great River Medical Center	Blytheville	Mississippi
Community Medical Center of Izard County	Calico Rock	Izard
Ouachita County Medical Center	Camden	Ouachita
White River Medical Complex	Cherokee Village	Sharp
Johnson Regional Medical Center	Clarksville	Johnson
Ozark Health Medical Center	Clinton	Van Buren
Baptist Health Medical Center	Conway	Faulkner
Conway Regional Medical Center	Conway	Faulkner
Ashley County Medical Center	Crossett	Ashley
Chambers Memorial Hospital River Valley Medical Center	Danville Dardanelle	Yell Yell
Dewitt Hospital and Nursing Home	DeWitt	Arkansas
Delta Memorial Hospital	Dumas	Desha
Medical Center of South Arkansas	El Dorado	Union
Washington Regional Medical Center	Fayetteville	Washington
Dallas County Medical Center	Fordyce	Dallas
Sparks	Fort Smith	Sebastian
North Arkansas Regional Medical Center	Harrison	Boone
Baptist Health Medical Center – Heber Springs	Heber Springs	Cleburne
Helena Regional Medical Center	Helena	Phillips
National Park Medical Center	Hot Springs	Garland
CHI St. Vincent	Hot Springs	Garland
Wadley Regional Medical Center at Hope	Норе	Hempstead
North Metro Medical Center	Jacksonville	Pulaski
NEA Jonesboro St. Bernard's Hospital	Jonesboro Jonesboro	Craighead Craighead
Chicot Memorial Medical Center	Lake Village	Chicot
Baptist Health Medical Center – Hot Spring County	Malvern	Hot Spring
Magnolia Regional Medical Center	Magnolia	Columbia
McGehee Desha County Hospital	McGehee	Desha
Mena Regional Medical Center	Mena	Polk
Drew Memorial Hospital	Monticello	Drew
Baxter Regional Medical Center	Mountain Home	Baxter
Stone County Medical Center	Mountain View	Stone
	Nashville	Howard
Howard Memorial Hospital		
Unity Health- Harris Hospital Baptist Health North Little Rock	Newport North Little Rock	Jackson Pulaski
South Mississippi County Regional Hospital	Osceola	Mississippi
Arkansas Methodist Medical Center	Paragould	Greene
Piggott Community Hospital	Piggott	Clay
Jefferson Regional Medical Center	Pine Bluff	Jefferson
Five Rivers Medical Center	Pocahontas	Randolph
St. Mary's Regional Medical Center	Russellville	Pope
Fulton County Hospital	Salem	Fulton
Unity Health- White County Medical Center Northwest Medical Center	Searcy	White
	Springdale	Washington
Baptist Health Medical Center – Stuttgart	Stuttgart	Arkansas
Lawrence Memorial Hospital	Walnut Ridge	Lawrence
Bradley County Medical Center	Warren	Bradley
CrossRidge Community Hospital	Wynne	Cross





### Trauma Hand and Burn Telemedicine





### Additional Statewide Telemedicine Programs

- Cardiology Clinic Baptist, St. Bernard's and UAMS
- Chronic Care management- Baptist
- Neurology Clinic
- Emergency Medicine Consults
- DM Retinal Screening
- Geriatrics
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Baptist elCU
- Pre and post operative visits
- School based health clinics
- Primary care to patients home
- Prisons and Jails
- Direct to Consumer





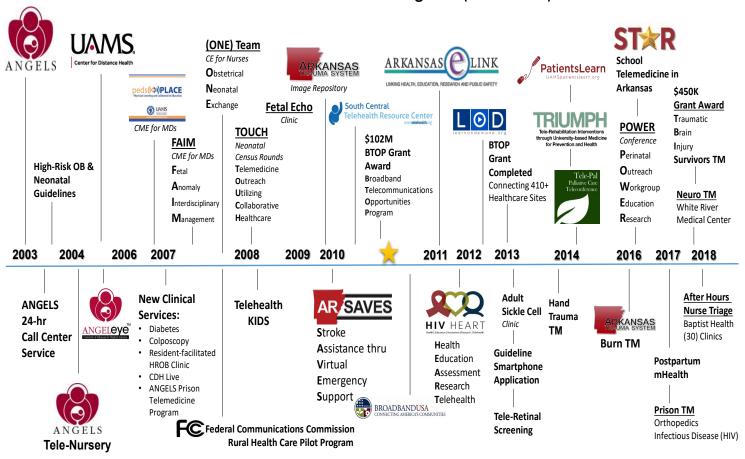


# Telemedicine Reimbursement

- ▶ Parity provisions for reimbursement of telemedicine-provided physician services
  - Patients stay local
  - Rural community retains revenue
  - Reimbursement by
    - Private health insurance carriers
    - Medicare
    - Medicaid



### Evolution of UAMS Telehealth Programs (2003-2018)





# Shifting Risk



### **UAMS-Where Telemedicine Lives!**



To learn more about the UAMS programs and telehealth, please go to the following link, click on Request Information, fill out the form and submit.

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### **BBUSA Resources**

- Implementing a Broadband Network Vision: A Toolkit for Local and Tribal Governments
- Community Broadband Roadmap Toolkit
- Guide to Federal Funding of Broadband Projects
- Using Partnerships to Power Smart Cities

