Established in 2011 through the UF Clinical and Translational Science Institute’s Community Engagement and Research Program, the North Florida Pediatric Community Research Network includes 16 pediatric and adolescent primary care clinics with more than 60 physicians and health care providers throughout Jacksonville and the surrounding counties (see reverse for map of network sites). It is registered with the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) as a Practice-Based Research Network (PBRN).

**Mission**

To encourage and facilitate practice-based research in primary care settings, with a specific emphasis on pediatric and adolescent health, in an effort to advance the translation of academic research into patient care.

**Vision**

To facilitate connections between UF’s academic researchers and community-based clinicians to create mutually beneficial research partnerships.

**Goal**

To accelerate the development of practice-based evidence that supports better health care outcomes in our diverse communities.

**Network Characteristics and Composition**

16 clinics with more than 60 physicians and health care providers, including:

- Academic-affiliated practices
- Hospital-affiliated practices
- Health Department health centers (including Federally Qualified Health Centers)
- Private practices

**Membership**

- Involvement in practical, relevant and important research
- Collaboration, networking and mentoring opportunities
- Affiliation with a diverse group of healthcare professionals
- Regional and national study recognition
- Incentives for study participation (not every study will provide incentives)
- Improve quality of care and patient/parent satisfaction
- Invaluable research experience
- Enhanced communication skills among the site’s care team
- Continuing education opportunities for physicians, providers and staff

**Studies Underway**

- Health IMPACTS for Florida pilot studies (adolescent health risk assessments and concussion management for youth) athletes)
- CTSA Sentinel Network study
- Hepatitis B Awareness & Service Linkage (HBASL) Program

**Benefits of PBRN**

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