

BREAKOUT SESSION



OCTOBER 28-30, 2024

General Track:

School-Based Telehealth: Impact on Student Health Outcomes

Tuesday, October 29 3:30 PM - 4:15 PM





School-Based Telehealth: Impact on Student Health Outcomes

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Learning Objectives

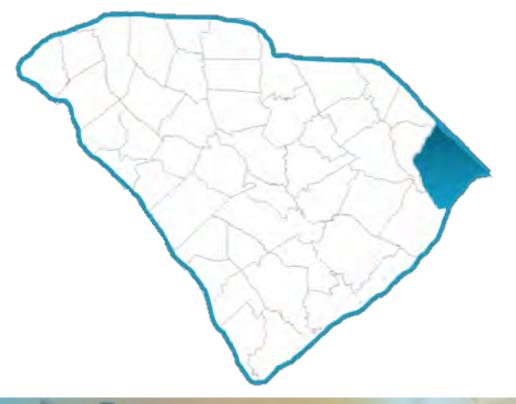
- Describe the implementation and service model of the School-Based Telehealth Program and its impact on student health and educational outcomes.
- Analyze the statistical data on program performance, including consent rates, encounter frequency, cost avoidance, and instructional time saved.



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Telehealth Integration
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- Technological Device with audiovisual capabilities
 - Ironbow Telehealth Cart
 - iPad
 - TeleReady Room
- HIPAA compliant modality
 - DOXY
 - Polycom
 - Healow











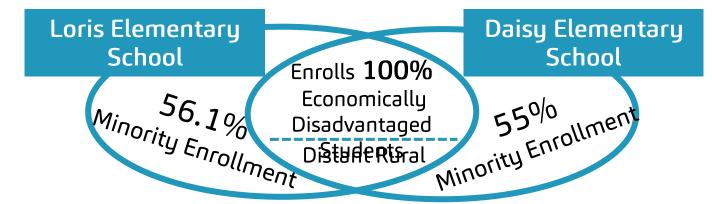




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Rural Health Inequities

- Disparities seen in Rural Communities
 - Lower Median Incomes
 - Higher Poverty Rates
 - Lack of Resources
- Loris, South Carolina United States Census





Total Population 2,449

2020 Decennial Census

Employment Rate

43.8%

2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Median Household Income \$34,564

2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

> Single Parent Family Household

66.6%

2022 American Community Survey 5-

Year Estimate

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Timeline of the School-Based **Telehealth Program**



TELEHEALTH SERVICES

October 2019

Program initiation into Daisy Elementary School

March 2020

School Closures due to Coronavirus

Pandemic

June 2021

Addition of Mobile Team Family Nurse Practitioner

August 2023

Internet Infrastructure Rearrangement

February 2024

Returned to Daisy Elementary School

February 2020

Program initiation into Loris Elementary School

2020-2021

Telehealth focus shifted to LRMC offices

August 2021

Returned to Elementary Schools

November 2023

Returned to Loris Elementary School



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A Sick Student Presents to the School Nurse...



Without School-Based Telehealth

School Nurse contacts parent and requests they pick up child and take them to the doctor

10 minutes

Parent makes arrangements at work or at home



Parent drives to school to pick up child

+30 minutes +60

Wait in waiting room until appointment time arrives



IF there is an appointment available that day, parent drives child to medical office



Parent attempts to signification as same day appointment with their child's medical provider

Child is seen by medical provider



+20 minutes

If pharmacy is still open, parent drives there to wait for and pick up medication, then drive home



minutes

Parent makes arrangements with work and home to accommodate child staying home from school the next day to allow for antibiotics to

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Total = 5 hours to 2

With School-Based Telehealth

School-Based Telehealth receives consent to see student



10 minutes

Medical Appointment occurs at school



20 minutes

Student potentially goes back to class

Total = 30 minutes

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Eligible Conditions

- Allergic Rhinitis
- Upper Respiratory Infection
- Fever
- Headache
- Sore Throat
- Sinus Congestion
- Minor rash, Wound, or Burn

- Earache
- Urinary Frequency
- Cough
- Lice
- Conjunctivitis
- Asthma





Available Tests and Treatments

- COVID
- Flu
- Strep
- Urinalysis
- Hemoglobin
- Glucose
- Upper Respiratory Culture

- Nebulizer Breathing Treatment
- Earwax Removal
- Medical Administration
 - Acetaminophen
 - Albuterol
 - Diphenhydramine
 - Ibuprofen
 - Ipratropium/Albuterol



Case Study



A student complained of ear pain while in class. Her teacher sent her to the school nurse. The school nurse's assessment led to concerns of a possible ear infection. She called the student's parent. The parent stated that she did not have reliable transportation, and her daughter's pediatrician never has appointments available. The school nurse informed mom that her child could complete a medical appointment within the school. Mom agreed to these services.

I did not have a written consent on file, so I provided mom with a link to our virtual consent form. After receiving the consent back, I collected the patient's vitals and notified an available LRMC provider that we were ready for her to call our telehealth cart.



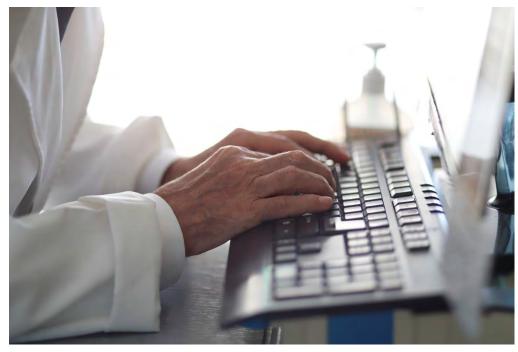














Quantitative Measurements LRMC MEDICAL CENTER TELEHEALTH SERVICES

- Enrollments
- Completed visits
- Local urgent care cost avoidance
- Local emergency department cost avoidance

- Total amount of clinical tests performed
- Return to class
- Instructional time saved
- Telehealth visit duration



2019-2020 School Year Quantitative Review



2019-2020 School Year: Enrollment, Encounter, & Benefit Statistics

School	Total Students	New Consents Received	Percentage of New Consents	Total New Encounters	Average Televisit Time (Minutes)	Students Able to Return to Class	Instructional Time Saved (hh:mm)	Urgent Care Cost Avoidance	ER Cost Avoidance
Daisy Elementar y	600	52	8.67%	7	23	1	5:20	\$1,260	\$12,306
Loris Elementar y	869	0	0%	0	0	0	0:00	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	1,469	52	3.54%	7	23	1	5:20	\$1,260	\$12,306



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2020-2021 School Year Quantitative Review





School-Based Telehealth Registration.
English and Español Version

Kids shouldn't have to miss school and you shouldn't have to miss work. Los niños no deberían faltar a la escuela y usted no debería faltar al trabajo.

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2021-2022 School Year Quantitative Review



2021-2022 School Year: Enrollment, Encounter, & Benefit Statistics

	School		Consents	Percentag e of New Consents	Active		S	Total New Encounters	Average Televisit Time (Minutes)	Student s Able to Return to Class	Instructiona l Time Saved (hh:mm)	Urgent Care Cost Avoidance	ER Cost Avoidance
E	Daisy Elementar y	591	62	10.49%	83	14.04%	114	25	18	11	30:27	\$4,500	\$43,950
E	Loris Elementar y	797	153	19.20%	146	18.32%	153	116	19	61	226:05	\$20,880	\$203,928
	TOTAL	1,388	215	15.48%	229	17.11%	267	141	19	72	256:32	\$25,380	\$247,878



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2022-2023 School Year Quantitative Review



2022-2023 School Year: Enrollment, Encounter, & Benefit Statistics

School	Total Students	New Consents Received	Percentag e of New Consents	Active	Percentag e of Active Consents	S	New	Time	Able to	Instruction al Time Saved (hh:mm)	Care Cost	
Daisy Elementa ry	636	80	12.58%	133	20.91%	202	51	18	22	59:09	\$11,883	\$89,658
Loris Elementa ry	791	83	10.49%	194	24.53%	236	129	16	48	158:29	\$30,057	\$226,782
TOTAL	1,427	163	11.42%	327	22.92%	438	180	17	70	217:33	\$41,940	\$316,440



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2023-2024 School Year



Quantitative Review

2023-2024 School Year: Enrollment, Encounter, & Benefit Statistics

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Daisy Elementa ry	629	38	6.04%	131	20.83%	241	9	17	2	1:54	\$2,097	\$15,822
Loris Elementa ry	790	71	8.99%	213	26.96%	307	86	17	32	89:18:00	\$20,038	\$151,188
TOTAL	1,419	109	7.69%	344	24.24%	548	95	17	34	91:12:00	\$22,135	\$167,010

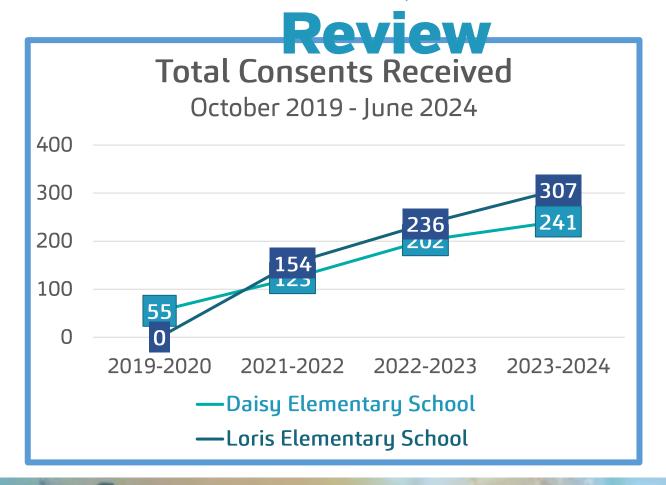


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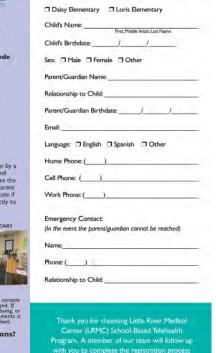
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Cumulative Quantitative







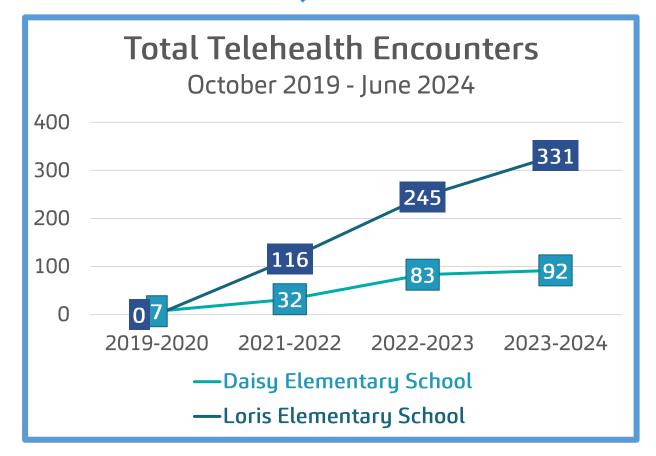




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Cumulative Quantitative Review LRMS





- Telehealth visit 17 minutes
- 605 clinical tests
 - 124 positives





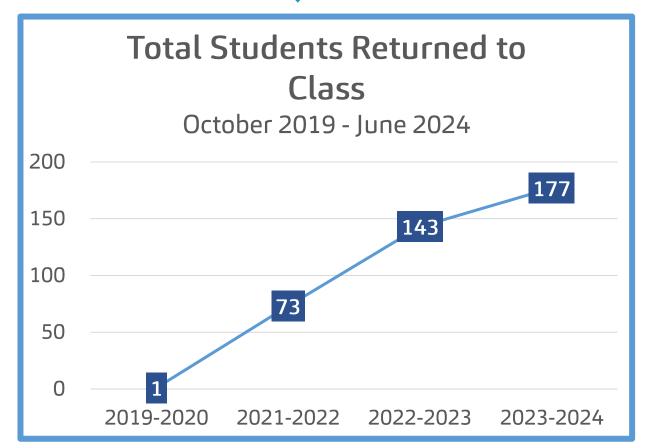


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Cumulative Quantitative Review LRM





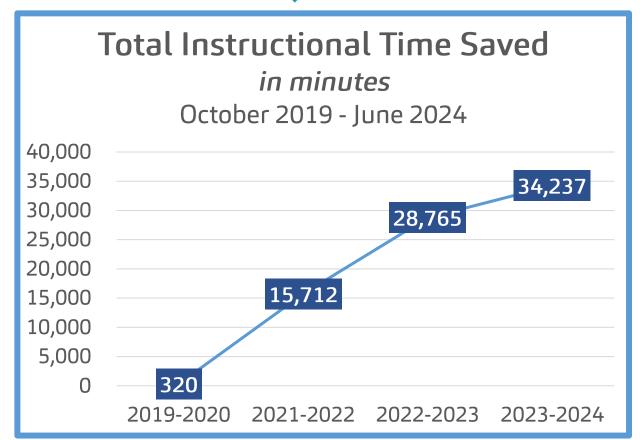




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Cumulative Quantitative Review LRMS





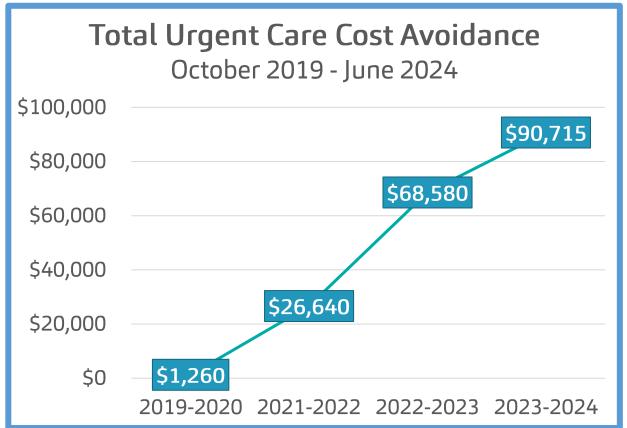


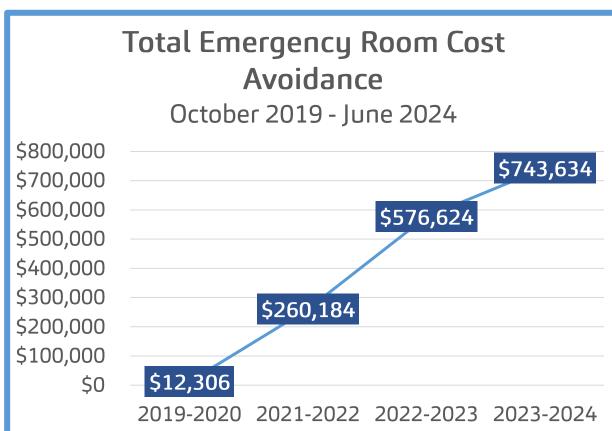


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Cumulative Quantitative Review LRMS









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"I think the School-Based Telehealth Team does a wonderful job. The children get seen sooner when they're sick instead of waiting for appointments."

-Beth Long, RN







"Many students were able to go right back to class after the Telehealth provider determined that they were not contagious. Those students could have missed multiple days of school if it weren't for the Telehealth services in the school."

-Gail Cox, RN







"As a mom, Telehealth in the schools is such a huge asset. When you have a sick child, there can be a lot of running around and waiting, Telehealth completely takes that away and ensures your child is seen as soon as possible. This also means faster treatment for a sick child. In addition, it allows parents to stay at work longer, while still ensuring that their child is receiving medical care. From what I have witnessed, Telehealth has been very beneficial in keeping kids at school that can stay, while ensuring that sick children who are going home will already have a treatment plan in place. I would like to add that many children fall through the cracks, as they may go home and never be taken to see a doctor. For these children, Telehealth has been instrumental in getting them well."



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"School-Based Telehealth is an awesome thing to have at schools. It benefited my daughter and I by not having to miss the day from school and work to go somewhere else to be seen. Nurse Lauren & Wendy Mote are both very great with children & they made sure my daughter was 100% well."







"I was able to get a **COVID test** for my child **right away instead of waiting five or more days** for the results to come back.

Right after testing negative, he was able to finish his school day and I was able to stay at work."







"I have had many parents express their gratitude regarding the ability to complete a medical appointment within the **safety and familiarity of their child's school**. Many parents admitted they did not have the resources to provide their child with a medical visit outside of the school due to not having reliable transportation, or the ability to miss any more time off work."







"The program helps with attendance due to getting excuses back quickly instead of having to wait days for providers to provide an excuse for absences."







Convenience







- Convenience
- Increased Access to Medical Care
 - Cost effective
 - Alleviates burdens on parents







- Convenience
- Increased Access to Medical Care
- Decreased Absences









- Convenience
- Increased Access to Medical Care
- Decreased Absences
- Faster Diagnosis and Treatment









Collaborative Care

- School-Based Telehealth Provider
- Primary Care Provider
- Parent/Guardian
- Pharmacy
- Nurses
- School staff
- Patients







- Collaborative Care
- Continuity of Care







- Collaborative Care
- Continuity of Care
- Health Education and Illness Prevention







- Education
 - Annual class
 - Wellness night
- Program Expansion
- Feedback System
- Mobile Team









SCHOOL-BASED TELEHEALTH

BENEFICIAL



RMC MEDICAL CENTER



Brought to you by your School's Telehealth Nurse

DID YOU KNOW

Any student of Daisy or Loris Elementary School is eligible for



with your phone or fill out the attached packet



Draw your favorite person or anima

Draw what you would like to do on

Please give the attached packet to your

your Masterpiece to your teacher by

Friday, 03/24/2023

PRIZES WILL BE

AWARDED



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Daisy is full of very creative artists!! A drawings for the 2023 School-Based Telehealth Art Contest this year! The grade level winners are

Congratulations!! If you have any questions about the School-Based Telehealth Program, you can call Lauren at (843)663-1018!!





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Scan the QR code to learn more about our program!





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- Improved student outcomes
- Reduced educational disruptions
- Alleviated family burdens
- Future expansion and continued impact

Question

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