

US Primary Care – where we were

Primary care in 2019

- > 50% of all ambulatory visits
 - < 35% of the workforce
 - ~7% of national health expenditure
 - 0.4% of NIH funding
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- 99% of visits related to upper respiratory, lower respiratory and pneumonia



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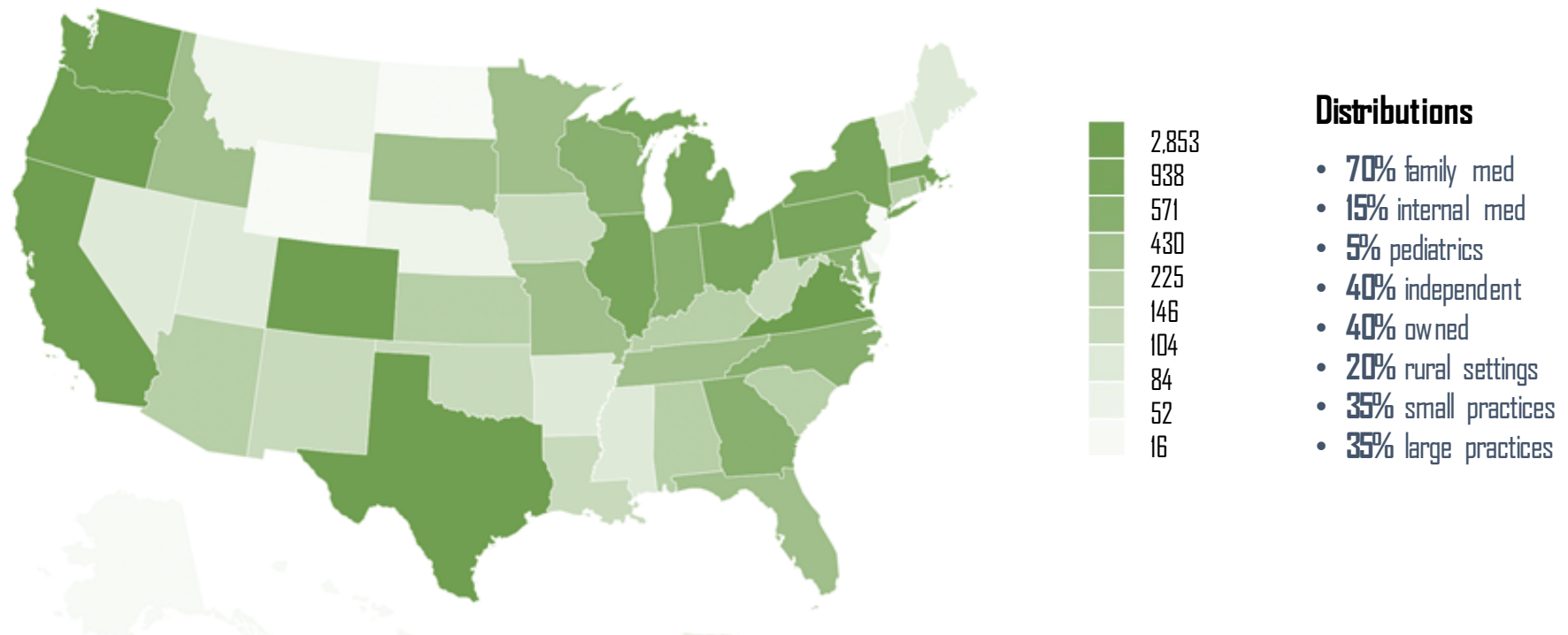
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See more stats on primary care in the NASEM Report: *Implementing High Quality Primary Care, April 2021*

Learn more visit numbers: www.graham-center.org

Quick COVID-19 Survey for Clinicians

Weekly, then monthly, March 13, 2020 to the present
36 surveys fielded. Over 35,000 responses collected



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Primary care in 2022

- 22% of practices are fully staffed
- 62% know clinicians who have retired/quit early
- 29% know of practices that have closed
- 40% are receiving patients from closed practices
- 46% say US primary care is crumbling
- 67% endorse the statement “We are clinically fragile - when is someone going to notice.”



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See more survey results: www.green-center.org/covid-survey

Measures are about comparison and context

Measure – just a number, meaningless without context

Quality – standard based on comparison and expectation

Performance – how well a task is done

Accountability – actions aligned with quality and norms

Examples of fitting good accountability for primary care

- A measure: [Person Centered Primary Care Measure](#)
- Measure guidance: [Chapter 8, NASEM report](#)
- Measurement approach: [Virginia Task Force on Primary Care](#)



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