



**Joint Legislative Oversight Committee
on Health and Human Services
April 12, 2016**

**Department of Health and Human Services
Rick Brajer, Secretary**



Execution initiatives highlighted at January JLOC

- Medicaid Reform
- Mental Health
- Low Birth Weight/Infant Mortality
- NC FAST
- Child Welfare
- FNS Timeliness/Recertification
- Substance Use Disorders
- Facilities
- Procurement/Grants/Contracts

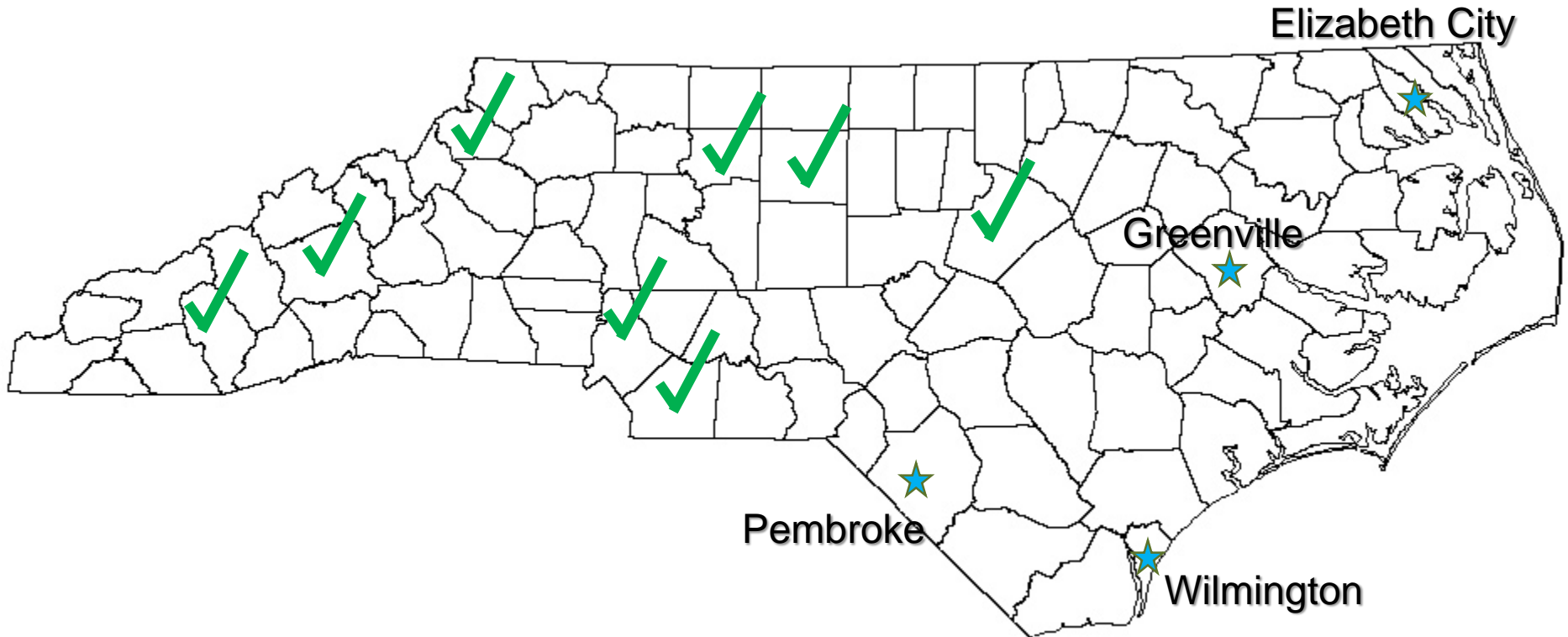


Progress: Medicaid reform

- Stood up new Division of Health Benefits
- Crowd-sourced waiver development
- Draft waiver and legislative report delivered on March 1
- Public hearings underway



12 Medicaid public hearings across the state



Progress: Mental health

- **Governor’s Task Force on Mental Health and Substance Use**
 - All three branches of government working together
 - Recommendations finalized April 7
 - \$30 million budget request in Governor’s budget
- **TCLI/DOJ**
 - US DOJ letter and our response
 - Agency partnership with NCHFA
 - Integration with Task Force
- **LME/MCO**
 - “As early as March, as late as June”
 - Consolidation vision and pathway communicated March 17
 - Meetings with CEOs and selected board and board members underway



LME-MCO consolidation vision

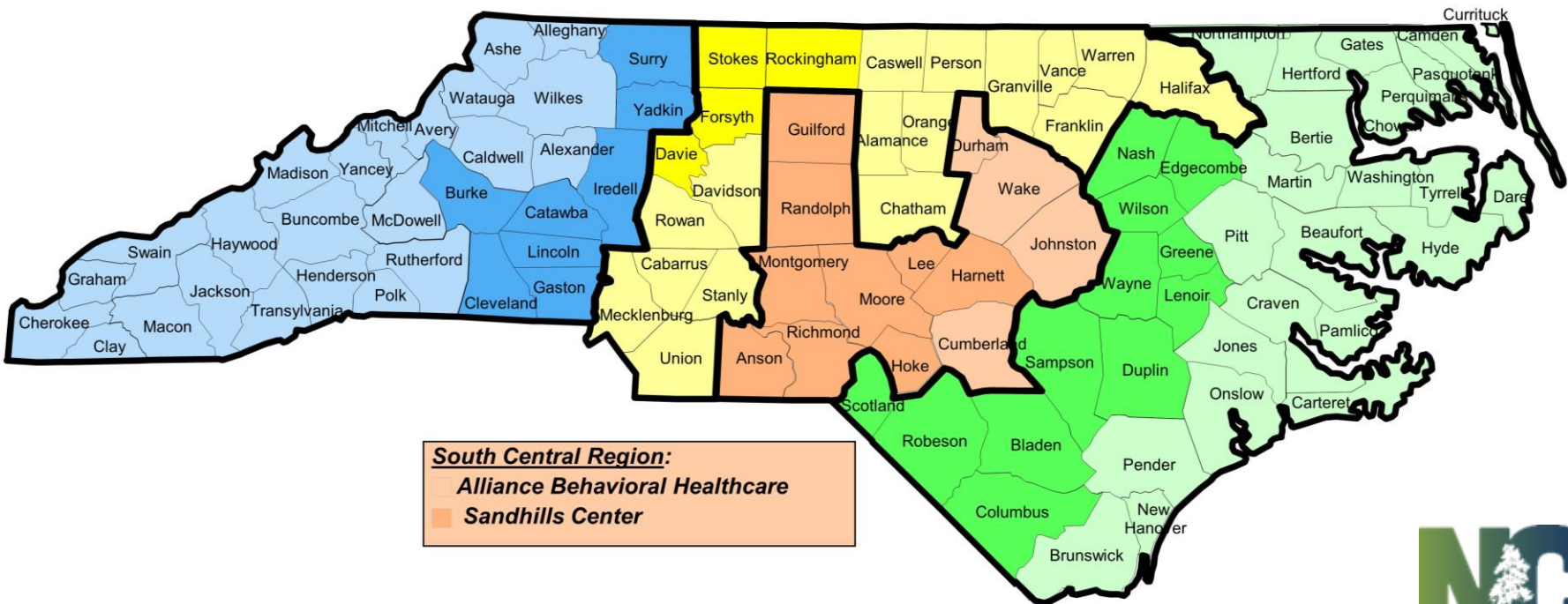
Proposed Local Management Entity - Managed Care Organizations (LME-MCOs)

Reflects Proposed Regional Entities As Of 3/17/16

Western Region:
Smoky Mountain Center
Partners Behavioral Health Management

North Central Region:
Cardinal Innovations Healthcare Solutions
CenterPoint Human Services

Eastern Region:
Trillium Health Resources
Eastpointe



South Central Region:
Alliance Behavioral Healthcare
Sandhills Center



Progress

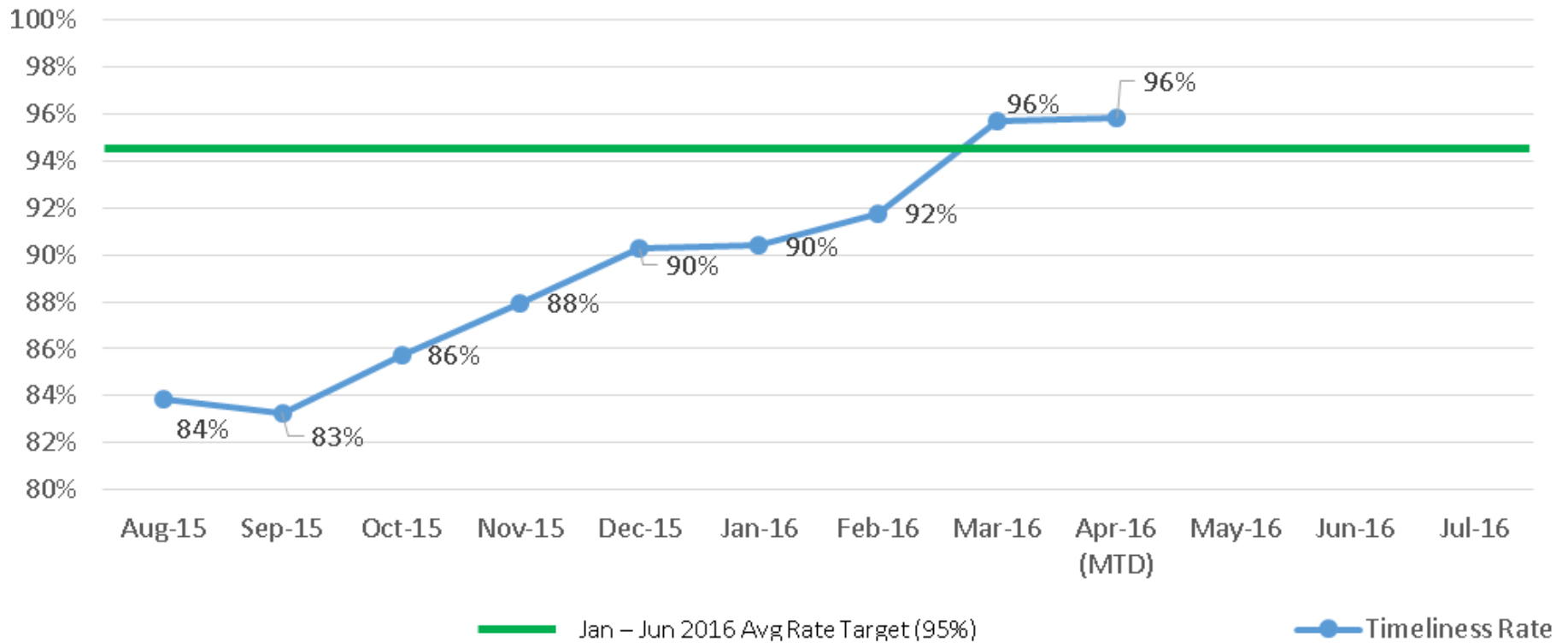
- **Substance Use Disorders**
 - Appalachian Opioid Summit
 - Governor's Task Force on Mental Health and Substance Use
 - Priority inclusion for Naloxone and Medication-Assisted Treatment in Governor's budget
- **Low Birth Weight/Infant Mortality**
 - Perinatal Health While Addressing Infant Mortality Summit on March 24
 - State Perinatal Health Strategic Plan Complete
 - Three-county Pilot
- **Child Welfare**
 - Child and Family Services Review and Performance Improvement Plan Complete
 - Priority inclusion in Governor's budget



Statewide FNS application processing timeliness

USDA 7 day/30 day timeliness

Statewide FNS Application Processing Timeliness



Progress

- **NC FAST**

- Exceeded FNS 95% timeliness goal in March
- Child Welfare ahead of schedule. Pilot summer of 2017
- Work First/Medicaid/FNS/Special Assistance/Refugee Assistance all in production and fully operational

- **Facilities**

- Construction timelines for new facilities well below expectations
- Executed new pharmaceutical contract for drugs. Projected annualized savings of \$1.5 million
- Transition plan for ADATCs to a receipt-driven model submitted to the General Assembly
- Enhancing our ability to track and address patient safety in our facilities with new behavioral taxonomy software

- **Procurement/Grants/Contracts**

- Reorganized to report directly to me
- Patti Bowers hired for this key leadership role
- Process redesign underway

