

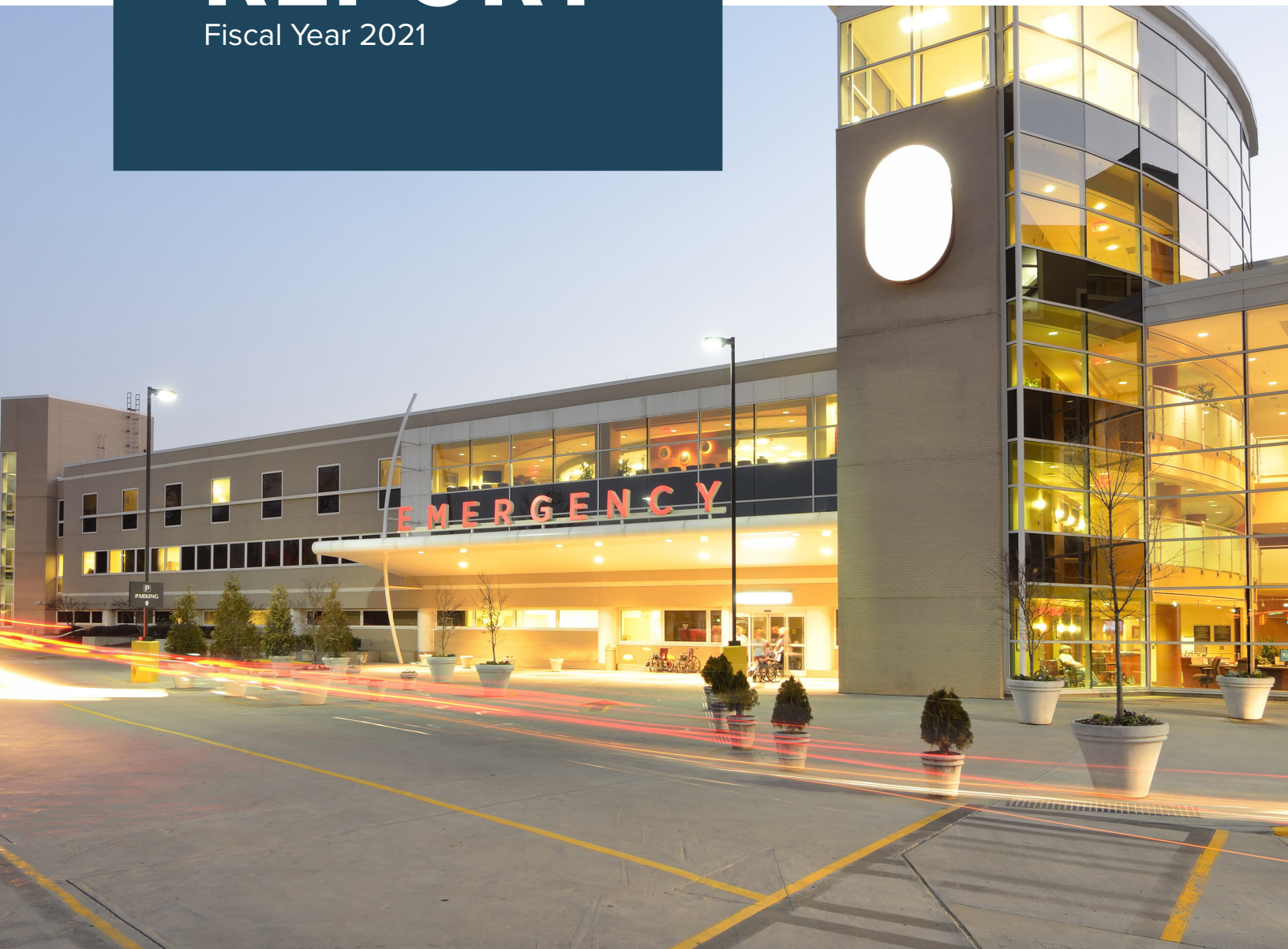
The Georgia Trauma Commission is dedicated to improving the health of injured Georgians by ensuring access to quality trauma care, coordinating key trauma system components, and educating trauma care providers across the multidisciplinary continuum.

ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal Year 2021



GEORGIA TRAUMA
COMMISSION



248 W JEFFERSON ST
Madison, GA 30650
(706) 841-2800
trauma.ga.gov

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Elizabeth V. Atkins, MSN, RN, TCRN
Liz.Atkins@gtcnc.org

CHAIRMAN
Dennis W. Ashley, MD, FACS
Ashley.Dennis@navicenthealth.org



CONTENTS

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| GTC Mission, Vision & Values | 3 |
| Executive Summary | 4 |
| Fiscal Year 2021 Funding | 5 |
| Trauma Center Funding | 6 |
| The Trauma Center's Role | 7 |
| Trauma Center Highlights | 8 |
| Pre-Hospital Highlights | 9-10 |
| Trauma System Highlights | 11-13 |
| Trauma by the Numbers | 14 |
| Georgia Trauma Commission Members | 15 |

GTC MISSION, VISION & VALUES

MISSION

The Georgia Trauma Commission is dedicated to improving the health of injured Georgians by ensuring access to quality trauma care, coordinating key trauma system components, and educating trauma care providers across the multidisciplinary continuum.

VISION

The Georgia trauma system will become a top-tier trauma system that provides the highest quality care and education through discovery and innovation.

VALUES

- **Stewardship**
Manage resources responsibly and bring value to patients and taxpayers
- **Integrity**
Demonstrated through accountability, ethical behavior, transparency, and reliability
- **Inclusivity**
Ensure teamwork, collaboration, and inclusion of a diverse stakeholder group

CORE PILLARS

QUALITY

FUNDING

ACCESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

We are pleased to provide you with the Georgia Trauma Commission's annual report for the fiscal year 2021. With uncertainty around the evolving pandemic, many of our trauma care providers grew emotionally depleted from sustained surges of COVID-19 case transmissions, hospitalizations, and deaths. Trauma workforce retention and redeployment were ongoing threats as healthcare worker fatigue and burnout soared. Our trauma system saw a spike in intentional injuries that likely stemmed from a population unprepared to cope with pandemic-related stresses.

Despite these many challenges, we are grateful for the collaboration and support from our trauma system partners to make trauma care a priority during this unprecedented healthcare crisis. Through these partnerships, the GTC funding focused on workforce education, support of rural trauma care, and enhancing data-driven outcomes measures.

In addition, the infrastructure of the GTC has undergone leadership succession enhancements through bylaws revisions that ensure the long-term viability of stakeholder inclusivity and engagement.

The pandemic has taught us valuable lessons about where our trauma system's vulnerabilities exist. Most important is the need for a regional planning approach to managing access for injured patients requiring time-sensitive, life-saving interventions and advanced critical care resources to support recovery. In response to this need, we have established a structure that will enable us to evaluate this approach and proactive solutions to deploy when trauma care demand exceeds capacity. While we are proud of what our system has accomplished to date, we know more work lies ahead.

We look forward to the coming fiscal year focused on optimizing outcomes for Georgia's injured citizens and children.



Elizabeth V. Atkins, MSN, RN, TCRN
Executive Director



Dennis W. Ashley, MD, FACS
Chairman



FISCAL YEAR 2021 FUNDING



The GTC's annual budget is allocated based on established funding formulas for critical trauma system infrastructure.

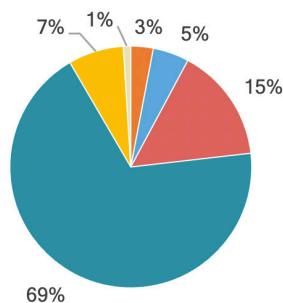
The amended FY 2021 budget provided an additional \$9.1M to the GTC budget supporting the Georgia Trauma System. The GTC distributed amended funds in support of the following trauma system initiatives and enhancements:

- Georgia Trauma risk-adjusted outcomes statewide benchmarking platform.
- Trauma Quality Improvement Program (TQIP) participation for all nine state-designated level III trauma centers.
- One-time readiness and registry grants for non-contracted trauma centers.
- Increased trauma center readiness funds across all Georgia's designated, funded trauma centers.
- Equipment grants for Georgia's 911 emergency response vehicles.

\$23.5+
MILLION

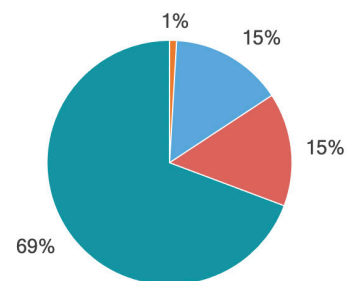
**BUDGETED AND ALLOCATED THROUGH
GEORGIA TRAUMA COMMISSION**

FY 2021 BUDGET



| | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| STATE OEMST | \$432,183.49 |
| SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT | \$695,151.98 |
| EMS | \$2,212,424.95 |
| TRAUMA CENTERS | \$9,857,052.00 |
| OPERATIONS | \$1,068,582.59 |
| GEORGIA TRAUMA FOUNDATION | \$141,500.00 |
| TOTAL BASE FUNDS | \$14,406,895.01 |

AFY 2021 BUDGET



| | |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| STATE OEMST | \$85,169.00 |
| SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT | \$1,354,850.00 |
| EMS | \$1,370,864.00 |
| TRAUMA CENTERS | \$6,340,068.00 |
| TOTAL AMENDED FUNDS | \$9,150,951 |

TRAUMA CENTER FUNDING

The FY 2021 and AFY 2021 funding provided a distribution of over \$16M across all levels of Georgia's trauma, pediatric trauma & burn centers.



Funding supports trauma center readiness, registry, and uncompensated care. Key features of trauma center funding include:

- The performance-based pay program (PBP) assigns a percent at risk to a portion of the trauma readiness funding based on performance metrics.
- Uncompensated care funding (UCC) is allocated to level I & level II trauma centers and burn centers and is based on center-specific historical data, audited annually by a third party, and subject to available funds.
- One-time readiness and registry grant for centers not currently participating in GTC funding.*

TRAUMA CENTER ALLOCATIONS

| Trauma Center | FY 2021 Base Budget Allocations | | | | | | | AFY 2021 | | | TOTAL 2021 FUNDING | |
|--|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | FY 2021 Readiness | FY 2021 Potential Performance Based Pay | FY 2021 Total Readiness Payments | FY 2021 UCC (CY 2018) | FY 2021 Total from Trauma Fund | FY 2021 Registry Support | TOTAL FY 2021 FUNDS | AFY 2021 Additional Readiness | AFY 2021 Performance Based Pay Reward/Reduction | AFY 2021 TQIP Participation Support | TOTAL AFY 2021 FUNDS | TOTAL FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 |
| Level IV | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Morgan Medical Center | \$ 8,100 | \$ 1,900 | \$ 10,000 | | \$ 10,000 | \$ 2,317 | \$ 12,317 | \$ 12,878.42 | \$ (1,000.00) | | \$ 11,878.42 | \$ 24,195.42 |
| Emanuel Medical Center | \$ 8,100 | \$ 1,900 | \$ 10,000 | | \$ 10,000 | \$ 2,317 | \$ 12,317 | \$ 12,878.42 | \$ 137.70 | | \$ 13,016.12 | \$ 25,333.12 |
| Effingham Hospital | \$ 8,100 | \$ 1,900 | \$ 10,000 | | \$ 10,000 | \$ 2,317 | \$ 12,317 | \$ 12,878.42 | \$ 137.70 | | \$ 13,016.12 | \$ 25,333.03 |
| Atrium Polk Medical Center | \$ 8,100 | \$ 1,900 | \$ 10,000 | | \$ 10,000 | \$ 2,317 | \$ 12,317 | \$ 12,878.42 | \$ 137.70 | | \$ 13,016.12 | \$ 25,333.03 |
| Memorial Health Meadows Hospital | \$ 8,100 | \$ 1,900 | \$ 10,000 | | \$ 10,000 | \$ 2,317 | \$ 12,317 | \$ 12,878.42 | \$ (500.00) | | \$ 12,378.42 | \$ 24,695.33 |
| Level III | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J.D. Archbold Memorial Hospital | \$ 20,000 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 50,000 | | \$ 50,000 | \$ 11,484 | \$ 61,484 | \$ 63,832.19 | \$ (2,500.00) | \$ 7,879.00 | \$ 69,211.19 | \$ 130,695.19 |
| Piedmont Walton | \$ 20,000 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 50,000 | | \$ 50,000 | \$ 11,484 | \$ 61,484 | \$ 63,832.19 | \$ (2,500.00) | \$ 7,879.00 | \$ 69,211.19 | \$ 130,695.00 |
| Crisp Regional Health Services | \$ 20,000 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 50,000 | | \$ 50,000 | \$ 11,484 | \$ 61,484 | \$ 63,832.19 | \$ (2,500.00) | \$ 7,879.00 | \$ 69,211.19 | \$ 130,695.00 |
| Hamilton Medical Center | \$ 20,000 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 50,000 | | \$ 50,000 | \$ 11,484 | \$ 61,484 | \$ 63,832.19 | \$ (2,500.00) | \$ 7,879.00 | \$ 69,211.19 | \$ 130,695.19 |
| Advent Health Redmond Hospital | \$ 20,000 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 50,000 | | \$ 50,000 | \$ 11,484 | \$ 61,484 | \$ 63,832.19 | \$ (5,000.00) | \$ 7,879.00 | \$ 66,711.19 | \$ 128,195.00 |
| Level II | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Piedmont Athens Regional | \$ 39,473 | \$ 157,891 | \$ 197,364 | \$ 88,771 | \$ 286,135 | \$ 45,331 | \$ 331,466 | \$ 265,208.23 | \$ (9,868.00) | | \$ 255,340.23 | \$ 586,806.23 |
| Piedmont Columbus Regional | \$ 39,473 | \$ 157,891 | \$ 197,364 | \$ 280,274 | \$ 477,638 | \$ 45,331 | \$ 522,969 | \$ 265,208.23 | \$ 2,420.56 | | \$ 267,628.79 | \$ 790,597.79 |
| Atrium Health Floyd | \$ 39,473 | \$ 157,891 | \$ 197,364 | \$ 108,566 | \$ 305,930 | \$ 45,331 | \$ 351,261 | \$ 265,208.23 | \$ (9,868.00) | | \$ 255,340.23 | \$ 606,601.07 |
| Northside Gwinnett | \$ 39,473 | \$ 157,891 | \$ 197,364 | \$ 160,512 | \$ 357,876 | \$ 45,331 | \$ 403,207 | \$ 265,208.23 | \$ 2,420.56 | | \$ 267,628.79 | \$ 670,835.63 |
| Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center | \$ 39,473 | \$ 157,891 | \$ 197,364 | \$ 149,374 | \$ 346,738 | \$ 45,331 | \$ 392,069 | \$ 265,208.23 | \$ 2,420.56 | | \$ 267,628.79 | \$ 659,697.63 |
| Wellstar North Fulton Hospital | \$ 39,473 | \$ 157,891 | \$ 197,364 | \$ 42,995 | \$ 240,359 | \$ 45,331 | \$ 285,690 | \$ 265,208.23 | \$ 2,420.56 | | \$ 267,628.79 | \$ 553,318.63 |
| Northeast Georgia Medical Center | \$ 39,473 | \$ 157,891 | \$ 197,364 | \$ 196,587 | \$ 393,951 | \$ 45,331 | \$ 439,282 | \$ 265,208.23 | \$ 2,420.56 | | \$ 267,628.79 | \$ 706,910.63 |
| Children's Healthcare of Atlanta-Scottish Rite | \$ 39,473 | \$ 157,891 | \$ 197,364 | \$ 35,305 | \$ 232,669 | \$ 45,331 | \$ 278,000 | \$ 265,208.23 | \$ 2,420.56 | | \$ 267,628.79 | \$ 545,628.63 |
| Level I | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wellstar Atlanta Medical Center | \$ 65,788 | \$ 263,152 | \$ 328,940 | \$ 372,246 | \$ 701,186 | \$ 75,451 | \$ 776,637 | \$ 442,013.72 | \$ 3,043.82 | | \$ 445,057.54 | \$ 1,221,694.54 |
| Children's Healthcare of Atlanta-Egleston | \$ 65,788 | \$ 263,152 | \$ 328,940 | \$ 48,233 | \$ 377,172 | \$ 75,451 | \$ 452,623 | \$ 442,013.72 | \$ 3,043.82 | | \$ 445,057.54 | \$ 897,680.54 |
| Grady Memorial Hospital | \$ 65,788 | \$ 263,152 | \$ 328,940 | \$ 1,478,258 | \$ 1,807,198 | \$ 75,451 | \$ 1,882,649 | \$ 442,013.72 | \$ 3,043.82 | | \$ 445,057.54 | \$ 2,327,706.20 |
| Atrium Health Navicent Macon | \$ 65,788 | \$ 263,152 | \$ 328,940 | \$ 204,277 | \$ 533,217 | \$ 75,451 | \$ 608,668 | \$ 442,013.72 | \$ 3,043.82 | | \$ 445,057.54 | \$ 1,053,725.20 |
| Augusta University | \$ 65,788 | \$ 263,152 | \$ 328,940 | \$ 348,807 | \$ 677,747 | \$ 75,451 | \$ 753,198 | \$ 442,013.72 | \$ 3,043.82 | | \$ 445,057.54 | \$ 1,198,255.20 |
| Memorial Health University Medical Center | \$ 65,788 | \$ 263,152 | \$ 328,940 | \$ 727,731 | \$ 1,056,671 | \$ 75,451 | \$ 1,132,122 | \$ 442,013.72 | \$ 3,043.82 | | \$ 445,057.54 | \$ 1,577,179.20 |
| Burn Center | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Grady Burn Center | \$ 82,235 | \$ 82,235 | \$ 164,470 | \$ 31,651 | \$ 196,121 | \$ 37,675 | \$ 233,796 | \$ 221,006.86 | \$ 1,518.31 | | \$ 222,525.17 | \$ 456,321.17 |
| Joseph M. Still Burn Center | \$ 82,235 | \$ 82,235 | \$ 164,470 | \$ 74,467 | \$ 238,937 | \$ 37,657 | \$ 276,594 | \$ 221,006.86 | \$ 1,518.31 | | \$ 222,525.17 | \$ 499,119.17 |
| Total | \$ 1,015,482 | \$ 3,166,010 | \$ 4,181,492 | \$ 4,348,054 | \$ 8,529,545 | \$ 959,688 | \$ 9,489,233 | \$ 5,599,314.93 | \$ - | \$ 39,395.00 | \$ 5,638,709.93 | \$ 15,127,942.80 |

| Non-Contracted Trauma Center* | FY 2021 Readiness | FY 2021 Potential Performance Based Pay | FY 2021 Total Readiness Payments | FY 2021 UCC (CY 2018) | FY 2021 Total from Trauma Fund | FY 2021 Registry Support | TOTAL FY 2021 FUNDS | AFY 2021 Additional Readiness | AFY 2021 Performance Based Pay Reward/Reduction | AFY 2021 TQIP Participation Support | TOTAL AFY 2021 FUNDS* | TOTAL FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 |
|--|-------------------|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Level III | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fairview Park Hospital | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 69,363.00 | \$ 69,363.00 |
| Piedmont Catersville | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 69,363.00 | \$ 69,363.00 |
| Wellstar Cobb Hospital | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 69,363.00 | \$ 69,363.00 |
| Level II | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Doctors Hospital of Augusta | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 242,695.00 | \$ 242,695.00 |
| Augusta University-Children's Hospital | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 242,695.00 | \$ 242,695.00 |
| Total | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 693,479.00 | \$ 693,479.00 |

*One-time readiness and registry grant

THE TRAUMA CENTER'S ROLE



Is a trauma center the same as an emergency department?

Emergency departments treat various illnesses and injuries, from broken bones to strokes and heart attacks, and much more. Trauma centers handle the most severe life or limb-threatening injuries such as car crashes, brain injuries, serious falls, assaults, gunshot wounds, and severe burns. The trauma team includes trauma surgeons, emergency medicine physicians, anesthesiologists, neurosurgeons, orthopaedic surgeons, radiologists, and trauma nurses. Trauma team members respond at a moment's notice to a dedicated trauma bay with state-of-the-art resuscitation equipment. Trauma centers ensure trauma patients have priority access to diagnostic tests such as CT scans, ultrasounds, and blood products in the resuscitation bay.

In Georgia, there are four levels of trauma centers:

1. **Level I:** The center provides total care, from prevention through rehabilitation. These also offer a teaching program for medical residents, as well as ongoing research.
2. **Level II:** The center is similar to a Level I trauma center but may not offer teaching or research. Levels I and II treat both children and adults.
3. **Level III:** The center is smaller than Level I and II centers, but provides prompt care to injured patients
4. **Level IV:** The center provides trauma care and life support before patients are transferred to a higher-level trauma center.

EMERGENCY ROOM

VS.

TRAUMA CENTER

- Possible broken limbs
- Signs of a heart attack
- Fainting
- Signs of a stroke
- Severe stomach pains
- Loss of consciousness
- Shortness of breath

- Gunshot wounds
- Severe car crash injuries
- Major burns
- Serious falls
- Stab wounds
- Traumatic brain injuries
- Blunt trauma

To care for the most serious injuries, the trauma center must have the equipment, doctors, and nurses who specialize in the care of critically injured patients available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

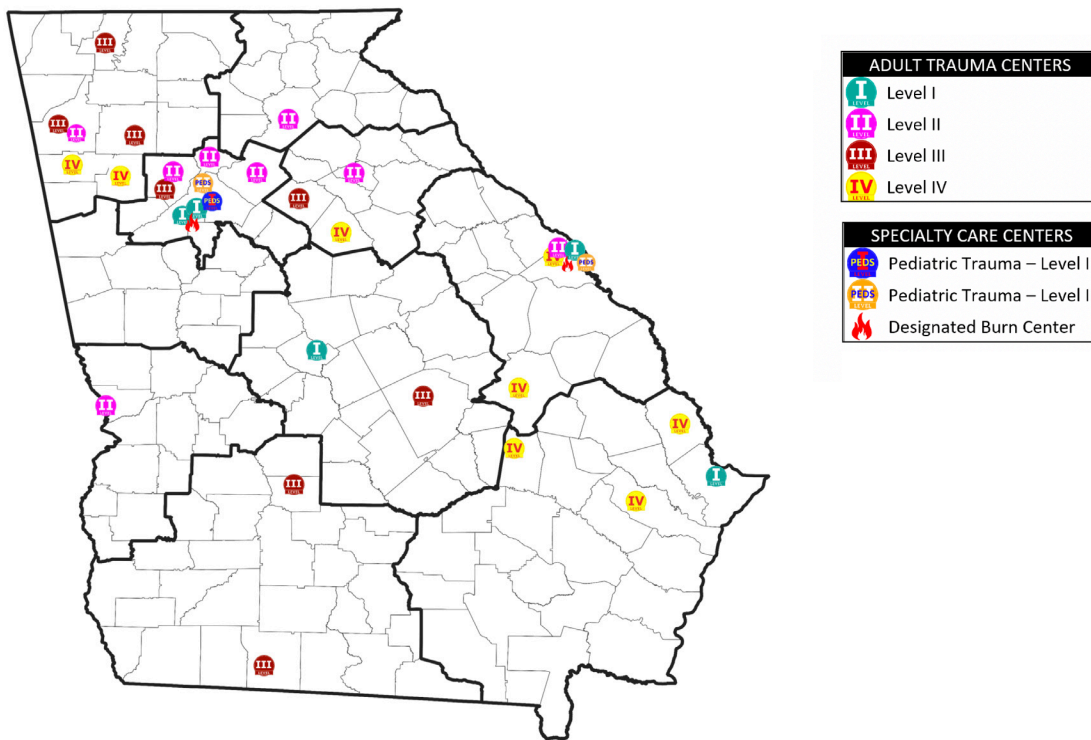
TRAUMA CENTER HIGHLIGHTS



TRAUMA CENTER PERFORMANCE & QUALITY OUTCOMES

Designated Trauma Centers are a critical component of a functional trauma system. The American College of Surgeons (ACS) Verification, Review & Consultation program provides an objective, external review of a trauma center's resources and performance. A team of trauma experts completes an on-site review of the hospital. The

team assesses relevant features of the program, including commitment, readiness, resources, policies, patient care, and performance improvement. By fiscal year-end, nine Georgia trauma centers have achieved ACS Verification. By June 30, 2024, all levels I, II, and III trauma centers must be ACS verified to be eligible for funding.



PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

In partnership with Georgia Department of Public Health, Office of Emergency Medical Services & Trauma, trauma center performance reporting evolves each fiscal year with a focus on high quality patient outcomes.

PREHOSPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

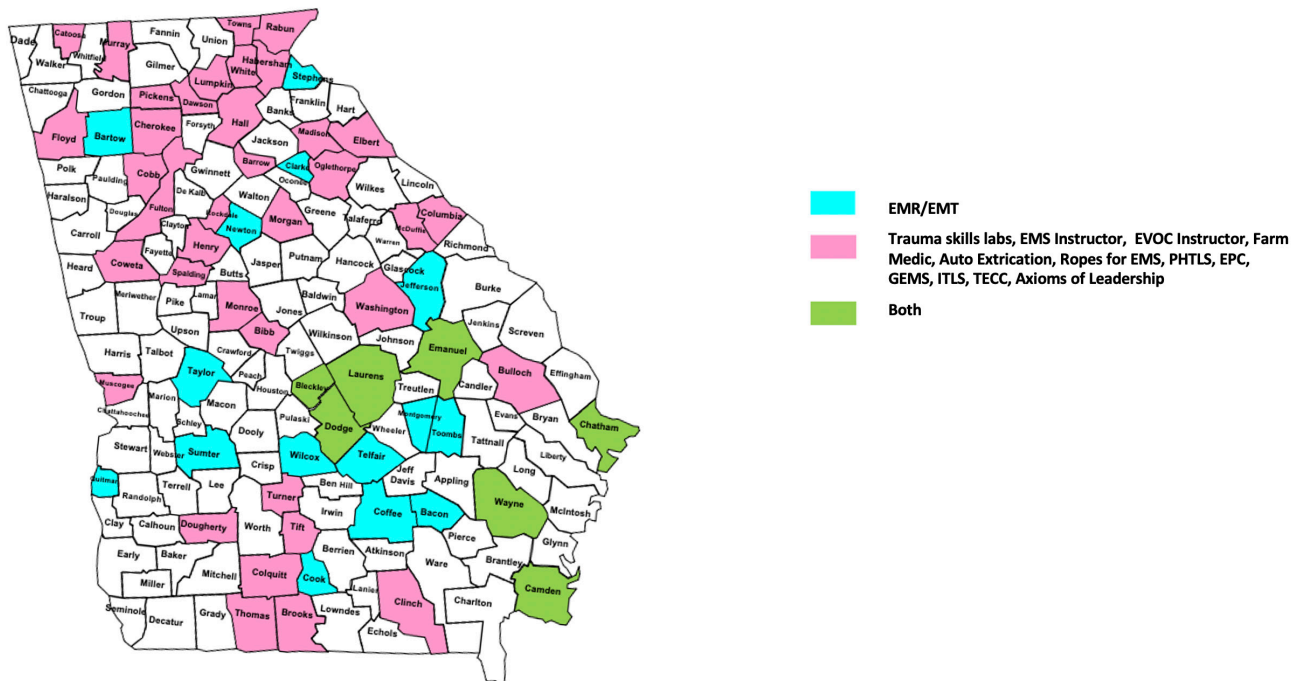


EMS EDUCATION

Prehospital personnel provide the vital link between injury and transport to definitive care for trauma patients.

They face a difficult, often hazardous work environment; EMS systems' recruitment and retention are perennial challenges. The COVID-19 pandemic amplified these challenges. Like other healthcare providers, prehospital personnel must have access to high-quality education and simulation to ensure optimal patient

outcomes, foster professional growth, and achieve an engaged workforce. In partnership with the Georgia Emergency Medical Services Association (GEMSA), the Georgia Trauma Commission has funded over 100,000 prehospital continuing education hours throughout Georgia.



PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

The ongoing partnership between GEMSA and the Georgia Trauma Commission has proven to be a successful model for ensuring access to high quality prehospital education and skills training.

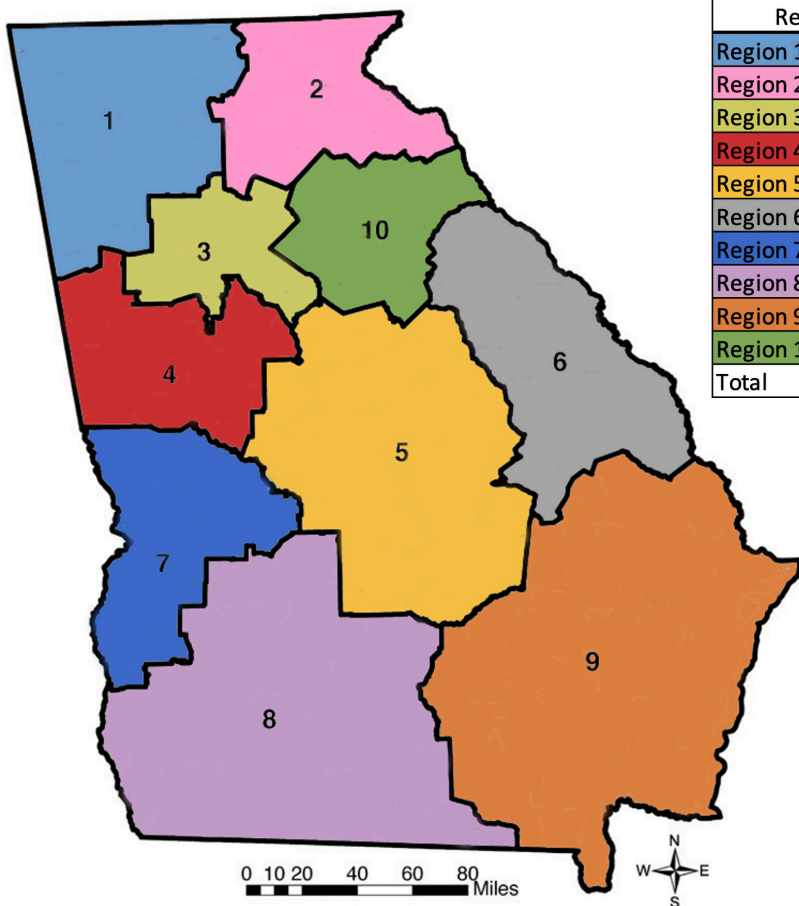
PREHOSPITAL HIGHLIGHTS



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES EQUIPMENT GRANTS

GRANT AWARD AMOUNTS BY EMS REGION

GEORGIA EMS REGIONS



| Region | FY 2021 Grant Funds |
|--------------|------------------------|
| Region 1 | \$ 109,480.62 |
| Region 2 | \$ 74,666.26 |
| Region 3 | \$ 295,978.91 |
| Region 4 | \$ 87,181.18 |
| Region 5 | \$ 109,463.95 |
| Region 6 | \$ 74,011.00 |
| Region 7 | \$ 47,131.56 |
| Region 8 | \$ 108,196.43 |
| Region 9 | \$ 143,252.06 |
| Region 10 | \$ 38,647.98 |
| Total | \$ 1,088,009.95 |

Over \$1M

was made available to Georgia's ambulances to purchase life-saving equipment to care for trauma patients. Extrication devices, splints for fracture stabilization, portable radios, stretchers & intravenous access kits are just a few examples of equipment purchased by 911 emergency providers enabling them to provide trauma care to the citizens of Georgia.

 EMS Regions

TRAUMA SYSTEM HIGHLIGHTS

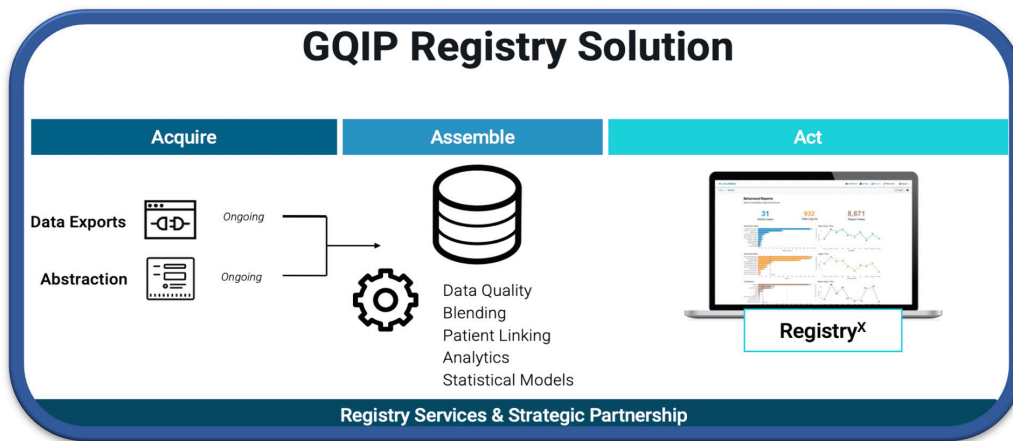


**GEORGIA
QUALITY
IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM**

GEORGIA QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (GQIP)

The Georgia Quality Improvement Program rebooted in FY 2021 with structural and leadership changes. Workgroups were established around the most significant areas of opportunity identified in our TQIP benchmark report: acute kidney injury, traumatic brain injury and a key focus in the public health sector, opioid use. The workgroups consist of multidisciplinary stakeholders from Georgia trauma centers

including anesthesiology, critical care medicine, pharmacy, and neurosurgery. GQIP workgroups are the main engine that drive quality initiatives; the full GQIP group convenes quarterly to discuss successes, opportunities, and next steps. With AFY 2021 funds, the GQIP collaborative will further enhance its outcomes measure capability in partnership with ArborMetrix.



ArborMetrix, a fully integrated registry solution, covers three primary pillars:

(1) efficient ingestion of data foundational to propel quality improvement;

(2) transforming that data through advanced, risk-adjusted clinical analytics; and

(3) presenting data back through interactive customized reports that support the needs of the Georgia trauma system's quality improvement initiatives.



PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

Driving engagement and advancing GQIP's mission with a clinically rich registry that achieves measurably quality improvement and impactful research.

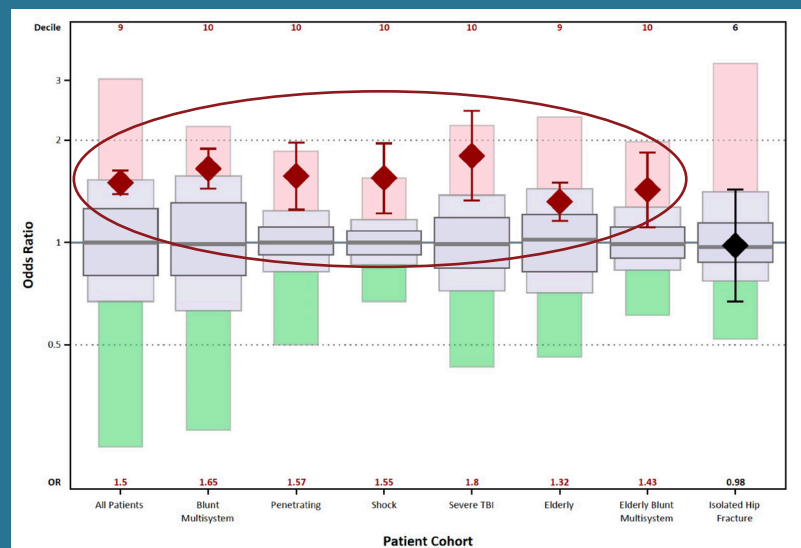
TRAUMA SYSTEM HIGHLIGHTS

COMMITMENT TO QUALITY

THE CHALLENGE

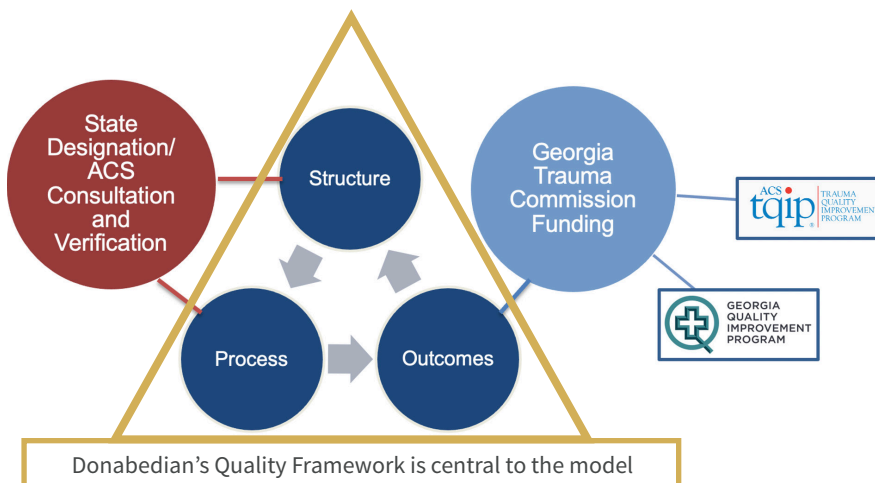
Spring 2016 TQIP Benchmark Report - Georgia Trauma Centers

- Significant underperformance in seven of the eight risk-adjusted major hospital events by cohort
- Odd ratios with confidence intervals in all seven cohorts were well above the median
- Many in the 9th and 10th decile



THE INTERVENTION

Integrated Oversight and Funding Model For Quality



- A conceptual model was developed to integrate QIP activities with participation in the ACS verification process and trauma center designation.
- Trauma center participation was tied to funding through the performance-based pay program.

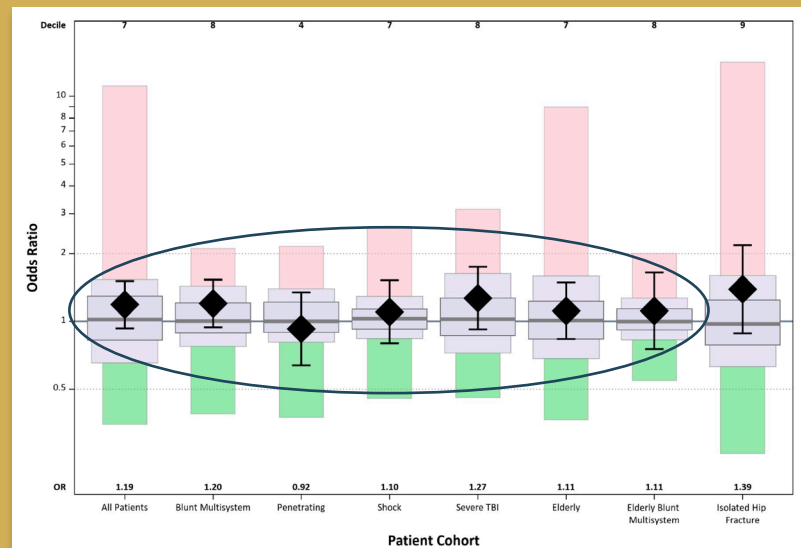


Historically, state entities such as GQIP, the state’s funding entity, and the state’s trauma center regulatory agency operated in silos & lacked alignment resulting in suboptimal outcomes. All three agencies collaborated on a model to ensure alignment and provide an enduring framework.

CHANGE MEASUREMENT

Fall 2021 TQIP Benchmark Report - Georgia Trauma Centers

- By spring 2021, an improvement was noted across all cohorts in the benchmark report
- No high outliers in any of the eight risk-adjusted major hospital events by cohort
- Odds ratios with confidence intervals in all eight cohorts cross the median
- Many under the 7th decile



ENDURING IMPACT

Trauma System Partner Alignment

- Maintaining alignment for the system leadership partners is vital for sustaining progress.
- Using a conceptual model enhances each partner’s understanding of their role and impact on the system.
- The model provides a stable, legacy framework that sets clear expectations to endure through leadership succession.



GEORGIA
QUALITY
IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM



GEORGIA TRAUMA
COMMISSION

TRAUMA BY THE NUMBERS



86% of Georgia Citizens...

now live within the 60 minute “Golden Hour” - this is the first hour after a traumatic injury occurs and skilled interventions begin. It often means the difference between life and death, or life-long disability.



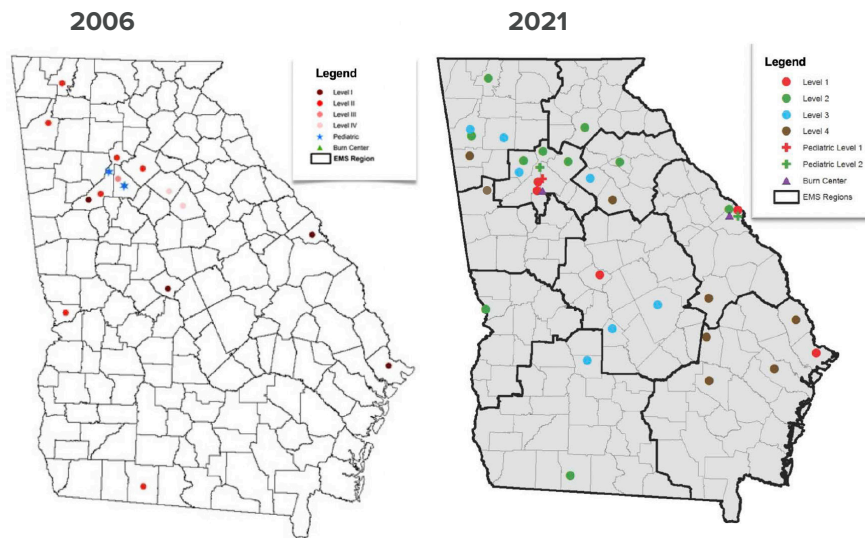
70% of adults and 98%...

of pediatric severely injured patients are being treated at a designated trauma center.



88% of severely injured patients...

who suffered a traumatic brain injury were triaged to a designated trauma center.



57,701
SQUARE MILES

159
COUNTIES

10.7 M
PEOPLE



GEORGIA TRAUMA COMMISSION

Dennis W. Ashley, MD, FACS, FCCM

Chair

Will C. Sealy Endowed Chair of Surgery

Professor of Surgery

Mercer University School of Medicine

Director of Trauma

Atrium Health Navicent

James R. Dunne, MD, FACS

Vice-Chair

Chief of Trauma & Surgical Critical Care

Memorial University Medical Center

Regina S. Medeiros, DNP, MHSA, RN

Secretary/Treasurer

Trauma Program Director

Augusta University Health

James L. Adkins Jr., BA, EMT-P

Executive

Southstar Emergency Medical Services

John C. Bleacher, MD, FAAP, FACS

Attending Surgeon

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

Section Chief, General Pediatric Surgery

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Scottish Rite

Victor L. Drawdy, NRP

Program Director

Air Evac Lifeteam

James Smith, MD, FACEP

Emergency Department Medical Director

Northside Hospital Gwinnett

Courtney Terwilliger

Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

Emanuel Medical Center

Michelle Wallace, DNP, RN, TCRN, NEA-BC, FACHE

Chief Nursing Officer

Grady Health System



GEORGIA TRAUMA COMMISSION
