



COVID-19 Data Panel: Hospital Reporting in Trauma Service Area E

Overview

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What is NCTTRAC?

- North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Council
- Covers 19 County Trauma Service Area E (D/FW Metroplex)
- “Promote and coordinate a system of quality trauma, acute, and emergency healthcare and preparedness in North Central Texas”
- Regional contractor for the Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP)
- Under State Mission Assignment for COVID response since March
 - Coordinate with hospitals for required data submissions
 - Investigate data quality issues/concerns
 - Share hospital data with regional response stakeholders

Introduction to EMResource

- Statewide platform, regional administration
- Designed for tracking healthcare resource status
- Bed availability reported in monthly drills; “snapshot in time”
- Not inherently designed for large-scale data submissions

| Z8 - Dallas County Hospitals | Hospital Intake Status | NEDOCS | Psych ED Holds | Status: 24/7 STEMI | Status: Med Surg | Status: ICU | Status: ECMO |
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| *Test Hospital | Advisory - Surge | 118 - Overcrowded | 2 | Available | Available | Available w/Restrictions | Available - Adult |

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| Available Staffed Adult ICU | 2 | |
| Available Staffed Telemetry Beds | 3 | |
| Available Staffed Med/Surge | 8 | |
| Available Staffed Burn Beds | 0 | No ABA verified beds |
| Available Staffed Pediatric Beds | 0 | No Pediatric special... |
| Available Staffed Pediatric ICU (PICU) | 0 | No PICU specialty |
| Available Staffed Psychiatric Beds | 3 | |
| Available Staffed Neg Pressure Isolation | 2 | |
| Available Staffed ED Beds | 12 | |
| Available Staffed Outpatient Beds | 0 | |
| Available Staffed Observation Beds | 3 | |

Reporting Timeline

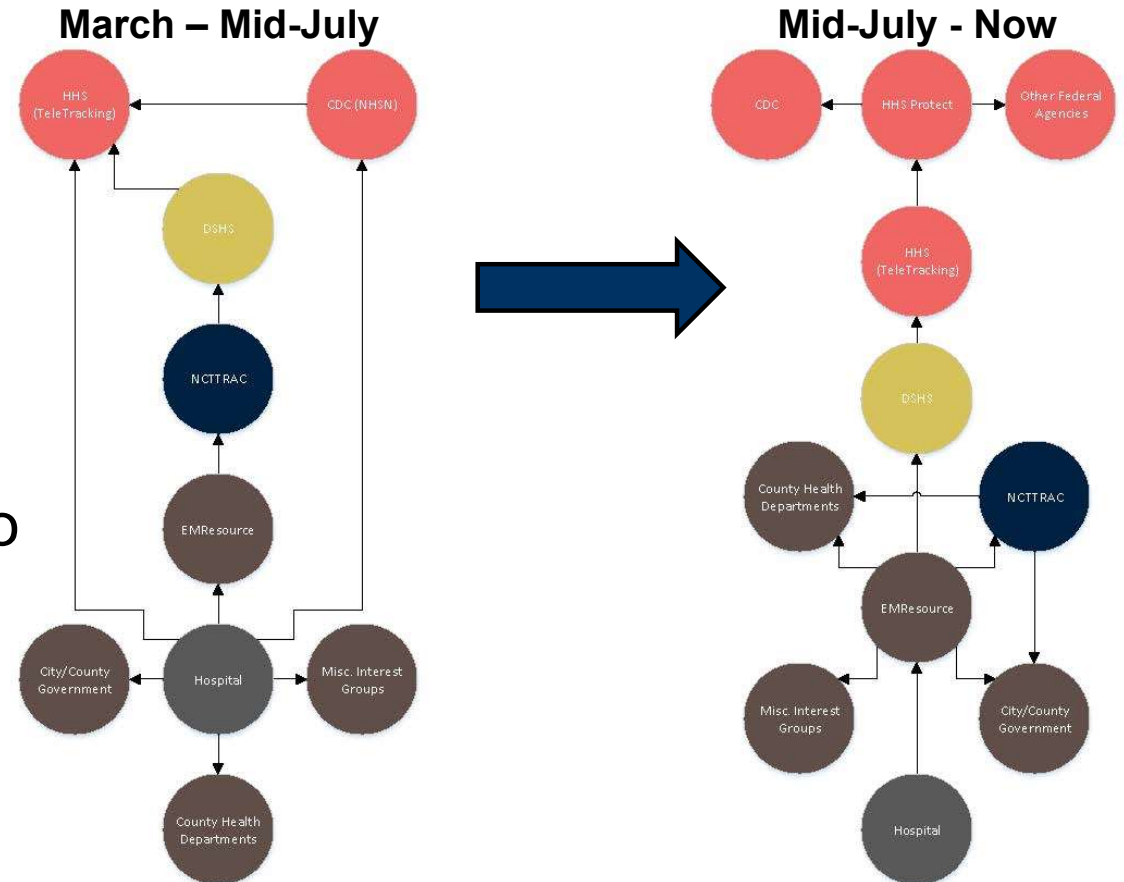
| Date | Event | # of Data Elements |
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| 3/18/2020 | DSHS begins asking for daily bed/COVID reporting | 43 |
| 3/24/2020 | Executive Order GA-10 mandates daily hospital reporting | 49 |
| 4/11/2020 | HHS requests hospitals report data in TeleTracking or NHSN | 49 |
| 4/20/2020 | Major change to reporting format; first DSHS Data Dictionary Released | 61 |
| 5/30/2020 | DSHS begins using API to pull data from EMResource | 61 |
| 7/13/2020 | HHS sends letter requiring hospitals to report data in TeleTracking to be eligible for Remdesivir allocations | 61 |
| 7/22/2020 | Major change to DSHS reporting to align with HHS requirements | 99 |
| 9/2/2020 | CMS issues interim rule requiring hospital reporting; non-compliance could lead to CMS penalties | 99 |
| 10/19/2020 | New optional influenza fields added to daily reporting | 105 |

Major Changes – 7/22/2020

- Daily COVID Admissions
 - Before: 2 fields, all admits broken by bed type
 - Now: 20 fields, all admits broken down by age & PUI vs. Confirmed
- Overall Hospital Census
 - Before: 1 field, all pts regardless of age or location (1 subfield for all ICU census)
 - Now: 2 fields, inpatients only, adult vs. pedi (2 subfields for adult ICU & PICU/NICU)
- COVID Census
 - Before: 3 fields – all PUIs, lab-confirmed MedSurg, lab-confirmed ICU
 - Now: 8 fields – PUIs by age & location, lab-confirmed by age & location

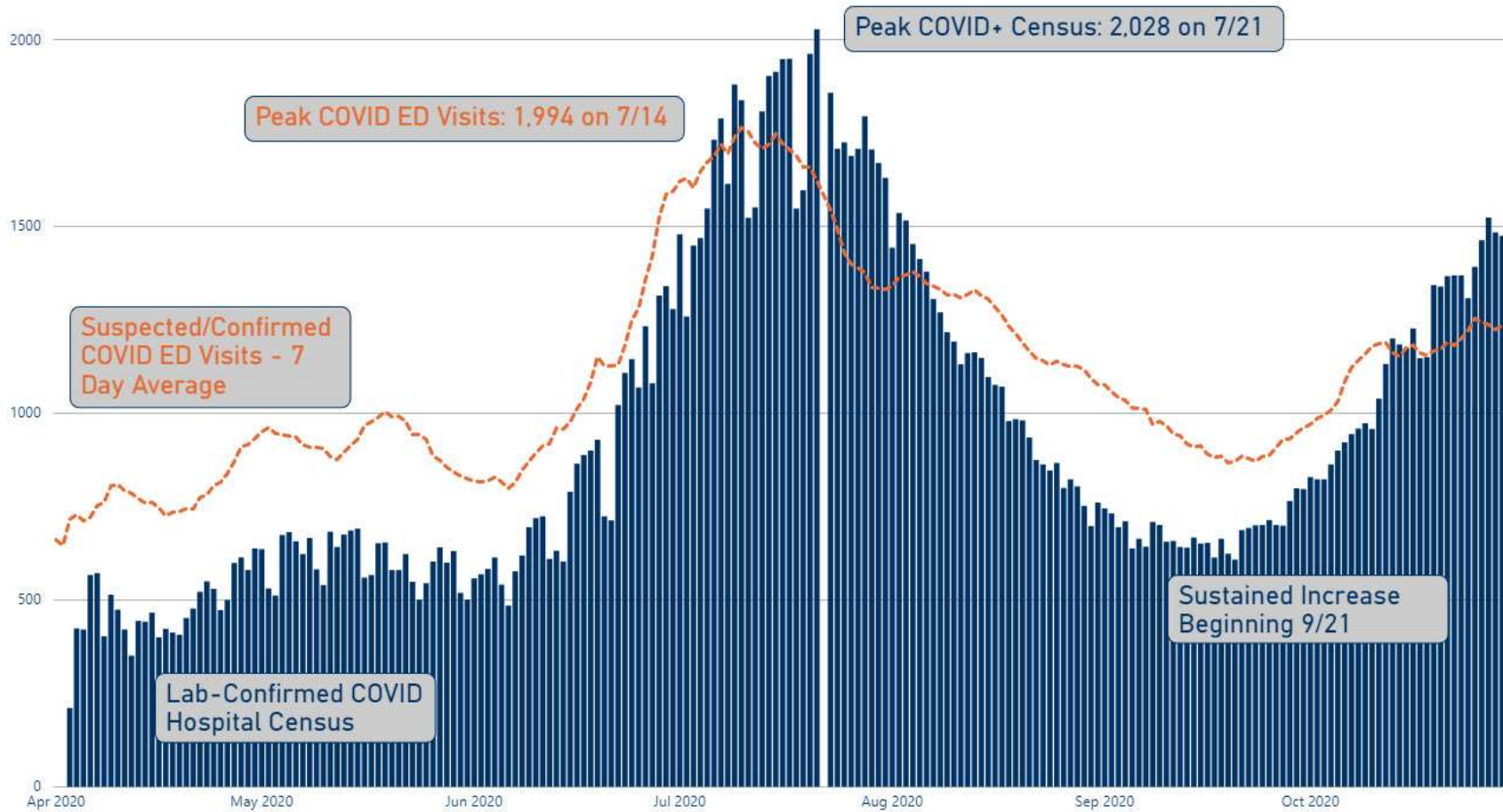
Eliminating Reporting Redundancies

- Early issues surrounding redundant data requests
- NCTTRAC & DFW HC lead regional coordination efforts
- Focus on eliminating redundancies by funneling into 1 single data system
- Since EMResource was the state requirement, it became single “point of truth”

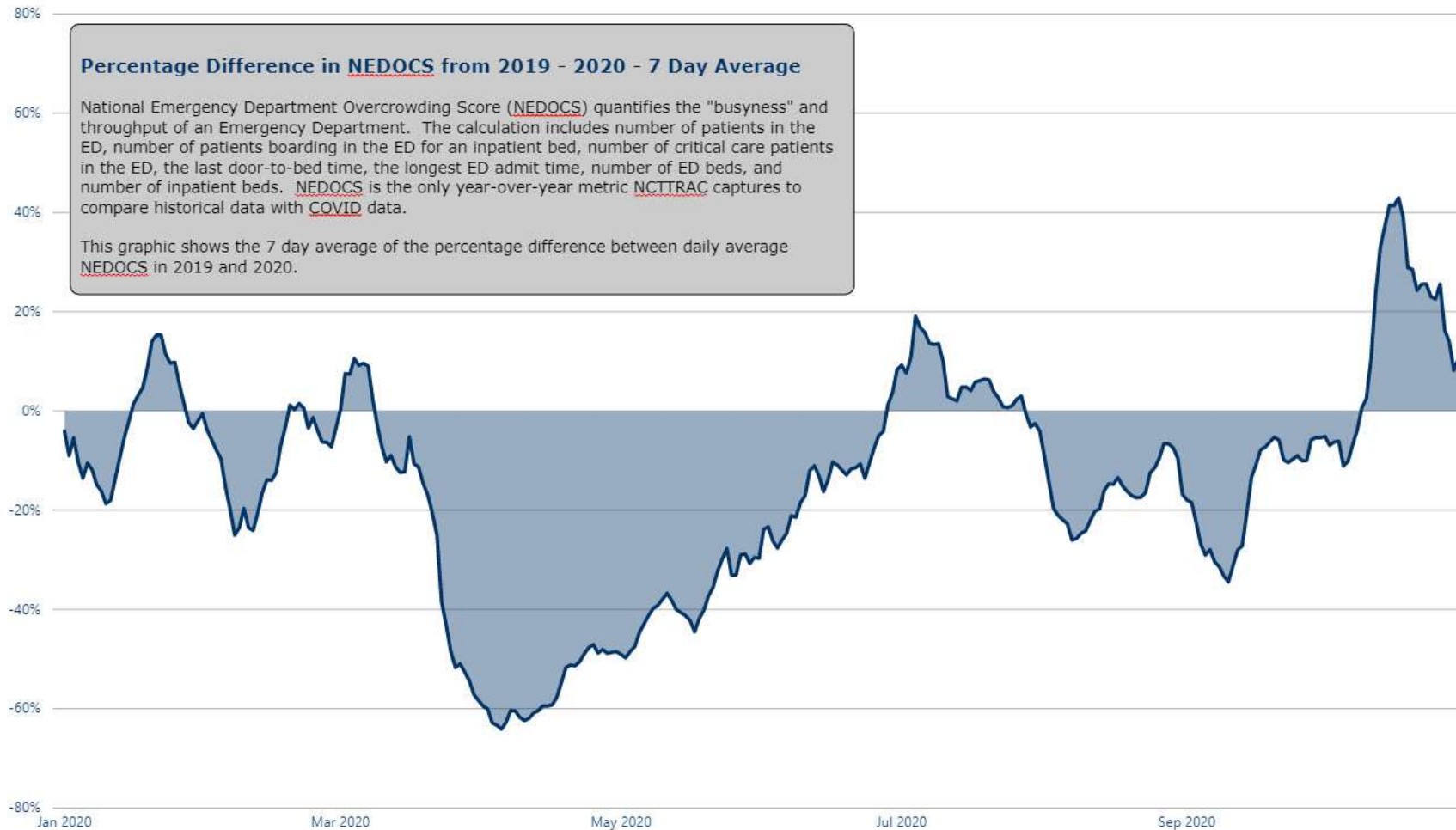


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COVID Trends – 4/1 – 10/30



NEDOCS 2019-2020 % Difference



Looking Ahead

- Better planning – identify common data fields at the federal and state levels to allow hospitals to prepare to capture certain types of data
- Better systems – while EMResource is good for what it is, it has limitations as a true data reporting/capturing platform
- Accessibility – we know all stakeholders have the same basic data requirements; ensure systems are built out to be accessible to those stakeholders
- Automation – build systems with interfaces in mind; reducing manual data entry also reduces hospital burden and errors in submissions