

#### An In-Depth Look at Georgia County-Level Data on Mental Disorder Prevalence, Treatment, and Other Health-Related Factors

Melissa Danielson, MSPH

Statistician, Child Development Studies Team

22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Rosalynn Carter Georgia Mental Health Forum May 12, 2017

#### **Diving a Little Deeper into Georgia-Specific Data**

- County-level prevalence of mental disorders among children with Medicaid
  - Types of treatment received
- Distribution of health care providers across the state
- Resources on county-level data for other indicators



## Mental Disorder Prevalence and Treatment

#### **Administrative Data**

- Supplement information gained from national surveys
  - Characterize health care utilization among children with diagnosed mental disorders
  - Provide greater breadth of information
  - Provide opportunity for longitudinal examination
- Methodological differences
  - Differences in case ascertainment
  - Reliance on insurance status and health care utilization

### Objective

- To provide estimates on the prevalence of mental disorders among children aged 2-8 years enrolled in Georgia Medicaid in 2012
  - Estimate the percentage of children with mental disorders receiving medication and psychological treatment services
  - State-wide and by county

### Methods: Identifying Mental Disorders in Medicaid Claims

 Case definition: Child had 2+ outpatient claims at least 7 days apart or 1+ inpatient claims with an ICD-9 diagnosis code for these disorders:

	ICD-9 Code
Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)	314.XX
Oppositional Defiant Disorder or Conduct Disorder	312.8X, 312.9, 313.81
Depression	300.4, 311
Anxiety, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD), or Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	300.0X, 300.3, 301.4, 309.21, 309.81
Tic Disorder	307.2X

Different set of conditions than included in previous presentation MMWRs

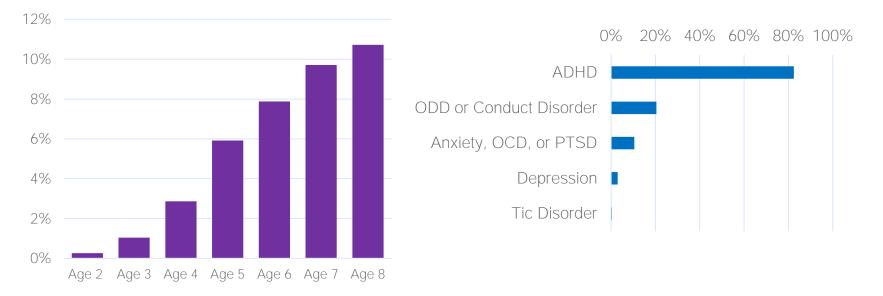
#### **Methods: Identifying Treatment Received**

- Among children identified as receiving clinical care for at least one of the included disorders
  - Medication: 1+ claims for a psychotropic prescription medication
  - Psychological treatment services: 1+ outpatient claims with a procedure code for a psychological treatment service
    - Included procedure codes
      - **CPT:** 90804–90819, 90821–90824, 90826–90829, 90832–90834, 90836–90840, 90845–90847, 90849, 90853, 90857, 99354–99355, and 99510

**HCPCS:** G0410, G0411, H0035–H0037, H2012–H2013, H2017–H2020, S9480, and T1027

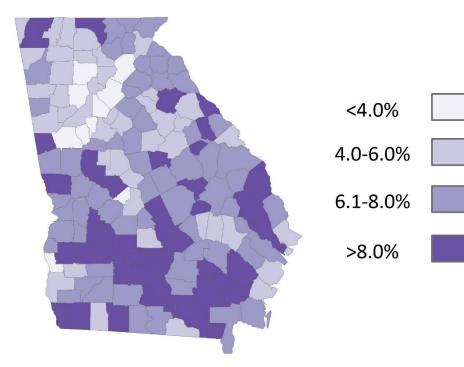
#### Results

- 500,668 children aged 2-8 years enrolled in Medicaid in 2012
- 5.2% met case definition for a mental disorder



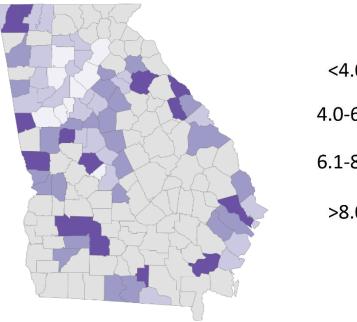
# Percentage of children aged 2-8 years enrolled in Georgia Medicaid who met case definition for at least one mental disorder, 2012

Georgia: 5.2%



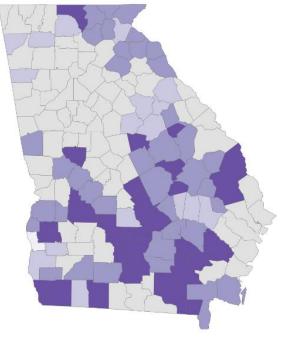
# Percentage of children aged 2-8 years enrolled in Georgia Medicaid who met case definition for at least one mental disorder, 2012

Metropolitan counties



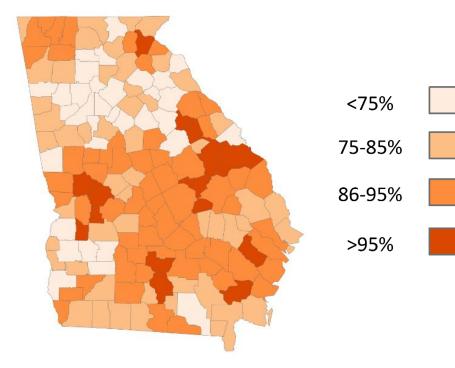


#### Non-metropolitan counties



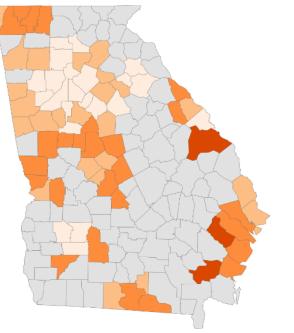
# Percentage of children aged 2-8 years with a mental disorder and enrolled in Medicaid who received psychotropic medication, 2012

Georgia: 77.9%



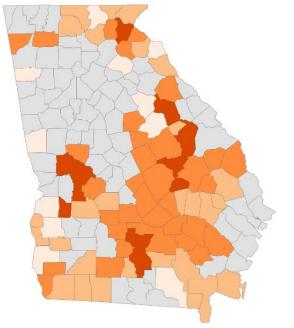
# Percentage of children aged 2-8 years with a mental disorder and enrolled in Medicaid who received psychotropic medication, 2012

Metropolitan counties



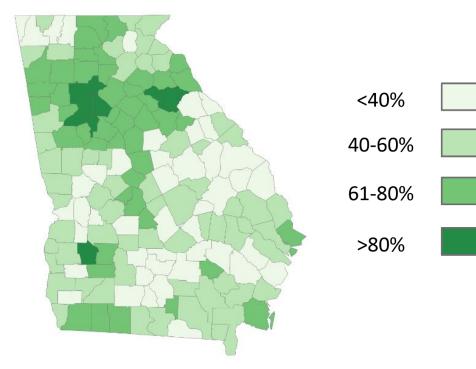


Non-metropolitan counties



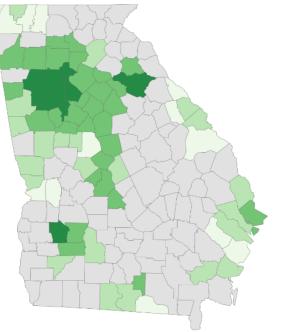
Percentage of children aged 2-8 years with a mental disorder and enrolled in Medicaid who received psychological treatment services, 2012

Georgia: 60.0%



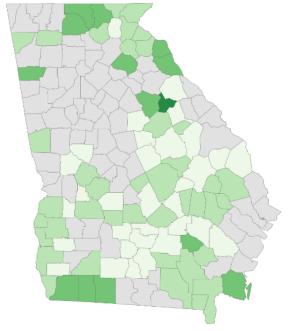
Percentage of children aged 2-8 years with a mental disorder and enrolled in Medicaid who received psychological treatment services, 2012

Metropolitan counties





Non-metropolitan counties



#### Discussion

- 1 in 20 children aged 2-8 years enrolled in Medicaid in Georgia received clinical care for a mental disorder in 2012
  - Most of these children received psychotropic medication and more than half received psychological treatment services
  - There is substantial variation in both prevalence and treatment rates across counties in Georgia
- These rates focus on children receiving clinical care for a mental disorder
  - Unable to identify children who have not yet received a diagnosis or obtained enough clinical care to meet case definition

### **Health Care Provider Densities**

#### **Health Care Providers**

- Understanding the distribution of health care providers throughout the state can be used
  - To identify infrastructure deficits
  - To target interventions to areas with service deficits
  - As a proxy for health care access in analyses that evaluate the impact of Medicaid policies on health care utilization and outcomes

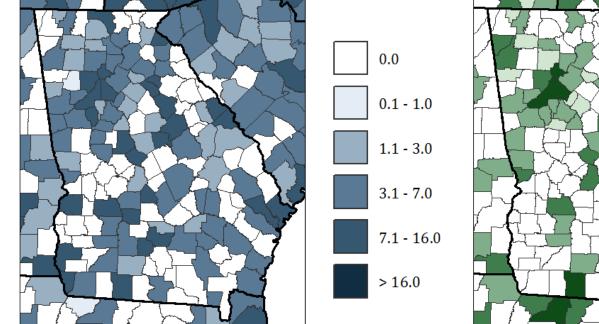
#### **Georgia Health Care Provider Density Maps**

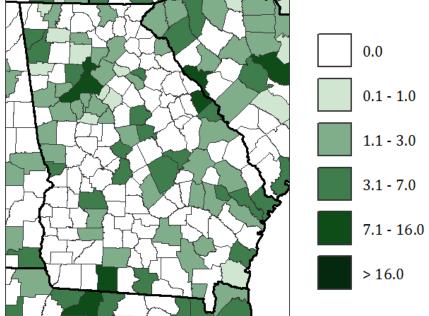
- Number of providers per 10,000 children aged 0-17 years by county
  - Pediatricians
  - Psychiatrists
  - Psychologists
  - Licensed social workers
- Available on CDC website:

http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/adhd/stateprofiles-providers/index.html

#### **Georgia Provider Densities - Physicians**

Pediatricians, 2015 Number per 10,000 children aged 0-17 years Psychiatrists, 2015 Number per 10,000 children aged 0-17 years

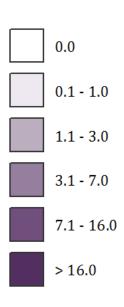




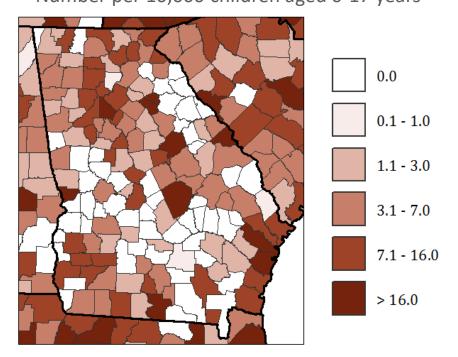
Data source: American Medical Association Masterfile <u>http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/adhd/stateprofiles-providers/index.html</u>

#### **Georgia Provider Densities – Other Providers**

Psychologists, 2015 Number per 10,000 children aged 0-17 years



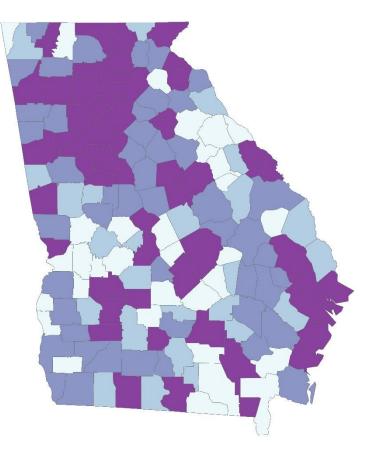
Licensed Social Workers, 2015 Number per 10,000 children aged 0-17 years



Data source: Hugo Dunhill http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/adhd/stateprofiles-providers/index.html

### **Georgia Provider Densities**

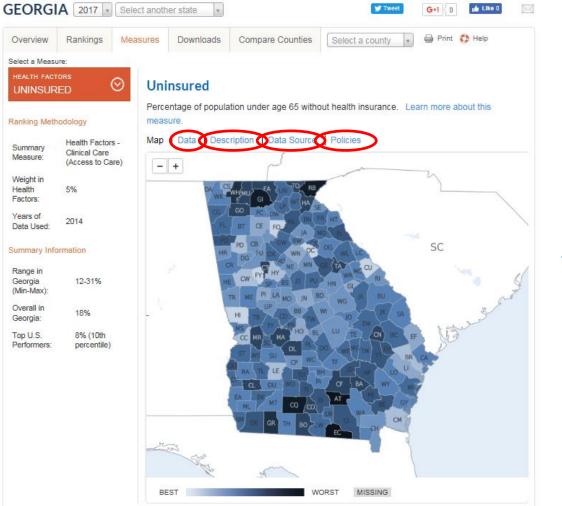
- Rough index of overall provider density
  - 32 counties that had none of any of the four types of providers (white)
  - Remaining counties colorcoded by average provider density rank
    - Purple counties have greater provider density than blue counties



### **Other Data Sources**

#### **County Health Rankings & Roadmaps**

- http://www.countyhealthrankings.org
- Sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- Aggregated county data on health outcomes and related factors
  - Education and employment
  - Children in poverty or eligible for free/reduced price lunch, income inequality
  - Severe housing problems
  - Access to exercise opportunities
  - Frequent physical or mental distress
  - Food insecurity
- Data Sources: BRFSS, ACS, CMS, FBI, HRSA, NVSS, U.S. Census, etc.



#### http://www.countyhealthrankings.org

#### Conclusion

- There are several sources of data that can be used to characterize mental health and other health-related factors in Georgia
- High level of variability in these indicators across counties
- Other sources of data are important to identifying specific barriers to related to mental health care access and utilization
  - Can be used to target community-specific interventions or develop policies to address these barriers at the state level

Melissa Danielson MDanielson@cdc.gov

404-498-3016

For more information, contact CDC 1-800-CDC-INFO (232-4636) TTY: 1-888-232-6348 www.cdc.gov

The findings and conclusions in this report are those of the authors and do not necessarily represent the official position of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

