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Change

"The measure of intelligence is the ability to change."
Albert Einstein

January 2021 Learning Collaborative (LC)
QTIP staff broadcasting from SCDHHS

- **News**
  - **SCDHHS**
  - **QTIP**
- Data
- Current and Future Plans

SCDHHS Leadership Updates

WELCOMED:

- Mr. Robby Kerr was appointed as SCDHHS Director on April 20, 2021.

- Ms. Eunice Medina joined SCDHHS as Chief of Staff in June 2021.

SCDHHS presented information to the South Carolina House Legislative Oversight Committee.

SCDHHS Policy Updates

VFC Vaccine Administration (and Counseling) Policy

Based on CMS guidance, SCDHHS must revise our policy.

- **Administration and counseling**
  - **90460:** each vaccine administration/counseling
    - Frequency limit of 9

  - **90461: <u>no</u>** longer billable

  - **Effective Date**: September 1, 2021

SCDHHS Policy Updates

LIP Designation

Rehabilitative Behavioral Health Services (RBHS)

- Recognition of Licensed Addiction Counselors (LAC) as Licensed Practitioners of the Healing Arts (LPHA)

- Effective July 1, 2021, LACs (master's degree and above) will be added to the RBHS classifications

HEDIS Pediatric Measures

- NCQA has updated HEDIS Well-child visits (WCV) measures
  (CY2020 – reporting year CY2021)

- WCV 30
  - 6+ visits in first 15 months
  - 2 visits in 15 – 30 months
- WCV 3 – 21
  - 1 visit annually

SCDHHS Policy Updates

BabyNet

- BabyNet launched an email submission feature on the BabyNet program's "Contact Us" webpage

  [BabyNet Contact Submission Page](https://msp.scdhhs.gov/babynet/webform/contact-babynet-state-office)

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COVID-19

The Doctor Will See You Now

- Over 31 COVID-19 Provider Alerts and Medicaid Bulletins were issued in 2020
- Many policy changes allowed telehealth options during the federal public health emergency (PHE)
- SCDHHS is currently reviewing all policies and considering long-range plans
- No immediate changes are planned while we are under a PHE

SCDHHS Policy Updates

Coverage Groups

- Extending postpartum to 12 months
- The proviso related to extending postpartum Medicaid coverage was included in the state's final budget
- SCDHHS is developing an implementation plan and will provide more details as they are finalized

FFS Circumcision

- SCDHHS will now provide coverage for routine newborn circumcisions without the necessity for prior approval

- Dates of services on or after July 1, 2021

Profile of QTIP

Quality through Technology and Innovation in Pediatrics

QTIP Practices = 27

- 3 academic
- 15 private
- 6 associated with a hospital
- 3 federally qualified health centers (FQHC)

Size:

- 12 small (1-4 practitioners)
- 5 medium (5- 9)
- 10 large (10 +)

Active Practices:
(Classified by Year Joined QTIP)

- 2011 practices: 11
- 2015 practices: 5
- 2016 practices: 3
- 2017 practices: 4
- 2019 practices: 2
- 2020 practices: 1
- 2021 practices: 1

Welcome:
Tiger Pediatrics
Dr Leigh Bragg

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2020/2021 Focal Topics

Adolescents
- Well-child visits
- Reproductive health
  - Discussion on safe sex and birth control
  - Screened for HIV and chlamydia
- Mental health screenings
  - Depression, anxiety and suicidal ideation
  - Substance abuse screening (1/2021)
- Social media use
- HPV
- BMI
- Tobacco exposure

Workshops on:
- Suicide Prevention (Oct 20)
- Vaping/Smoking Cessation (Feb 21)
- Project First Line (Mar 21)

Asthma
- Level of severity
- Functional status checks
- Asthma action plan
- Seen regularly
- Provide education on device use and if the family was educated on asthma triggers
- Emergency Department visits

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2 Projects:
Little Changes Making a Big Impact

Vaping

- In conjunction with the National American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

- Goal: to educate and address vaping epidemic in children

- 5 practices participated (1 non-QTIP)

- 1 education session; 9 weeks of QI and data collection

Project First Line

- Supported the SC American Academy of Pediatrics (SCAAP)

- 35 physicians (QTIP and non-QTIP)

- 10 stipends issued by SCAAP

- 7 American Board of Pediatrics (ABP) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Part 4 credits issued

- 3-month project

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- **Data**
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Engagement in Health Care

Well Child Visits

Legend: ■ 2019 ■ 2020 ■ 2021
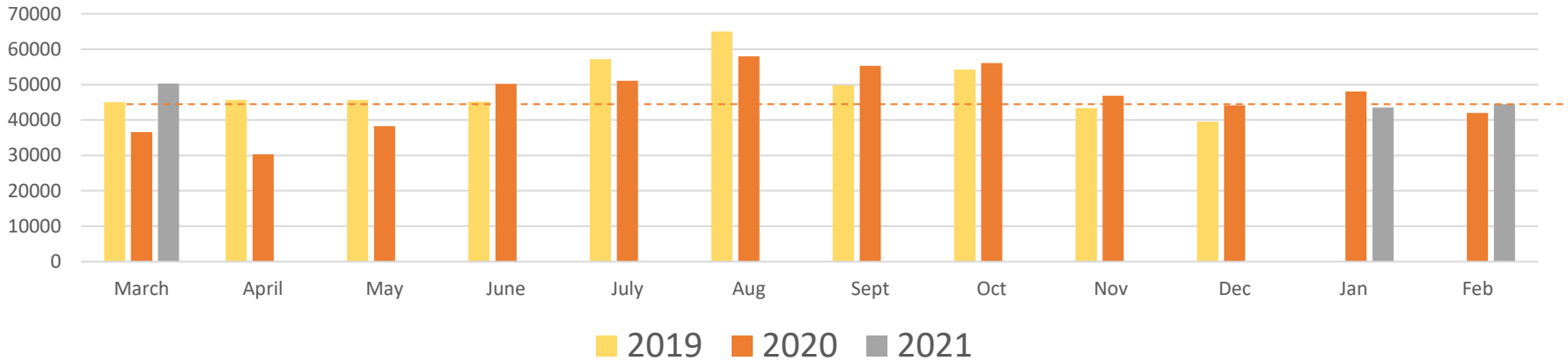
Sick Visits

2020 Telemedicine visits:

Data provided by SCDHHS Data Analytics
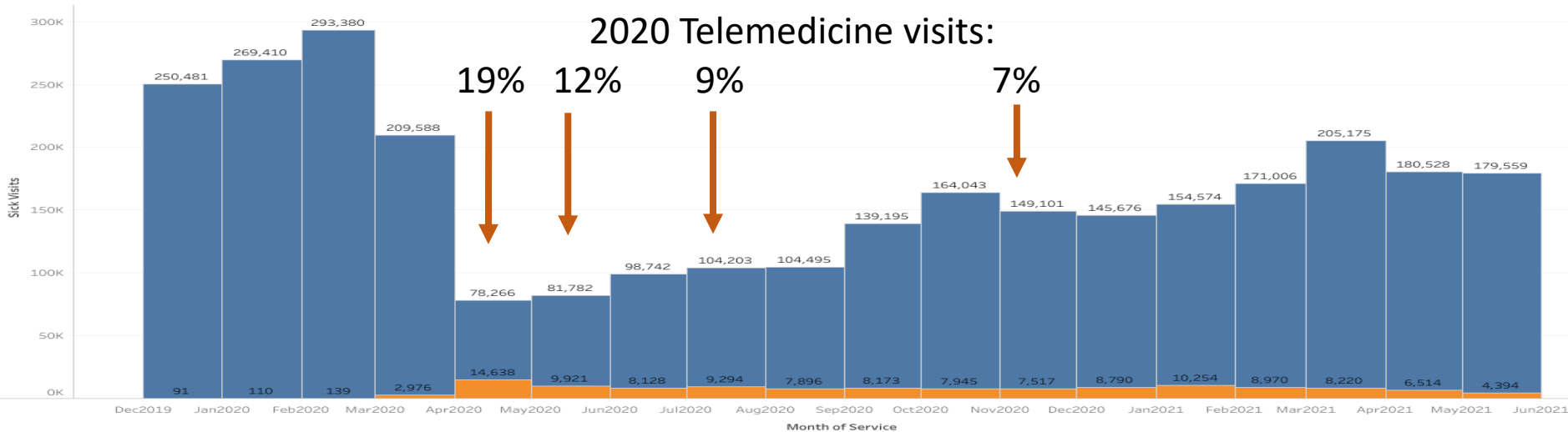
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"If you can't fly, then run,

If you can't run, then walk.

If you can't walk, then crawl.

But whatever you do, you have to

keep moving forward."

Martin Luther King Jr

Fluoride Varnish (FV) in a Non-Dental Setting*

AT A GLANCE…

- A **1,524% increase** in the number of Medicaid children receiving FV in a non-dental setting has been noted since 2011
  - 4.9 % decrease between 2019 and 2020

- CY2020 data reflects:
  - ~ 76% of the children were between 0 – 4 years old
 - ~ 22% were 5 – 12 years old

*Data based on Medicaid administrative claims; excludes FQHC

Developmental and Mental Health Screening
(Administrative Claims)
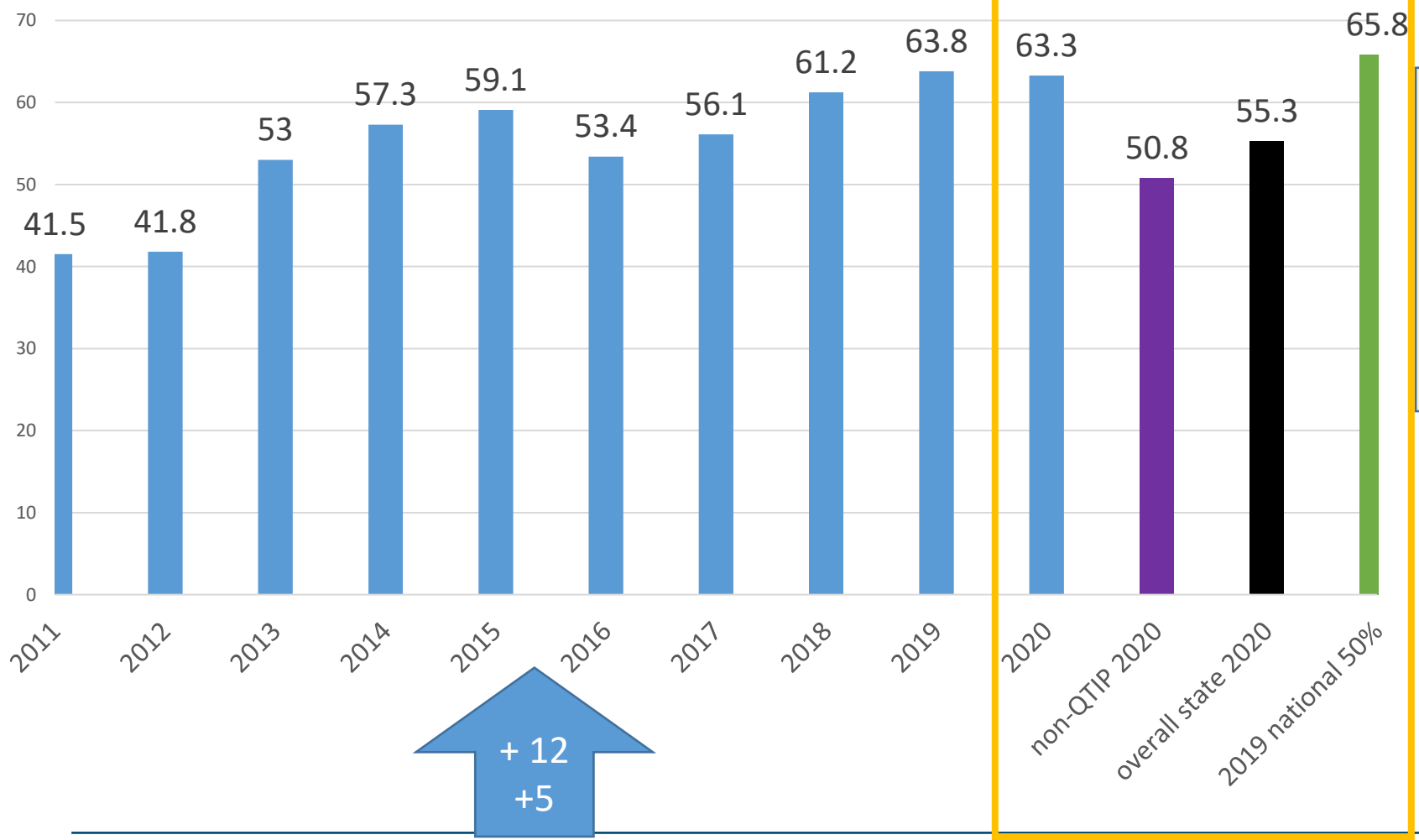
AT A GLANCE…

- **338% increase** in the number of children 18 years old or under receiving a developmental screening since 2011
  - 3.1% decrease in 2020

- **429% increase** in the number of children receiving an emotional/behavioral health screening since 2015
  - 1.5% increase in 2020

- **1,644% increase** since 2011 in environmental and risk assessments
  - 1.7% decrease in 2020
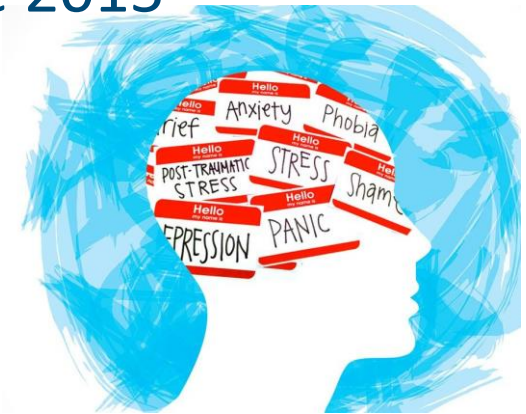
- Data provided by the UofSC Institute for Families in Society (IFS)
- Reflects ONLY ADMINISTRATIVE claims
- Quality measure year 2020 (Reporting year 2021)
- Compares the following provider groups:
  - QTIP
  - Non-QTIP
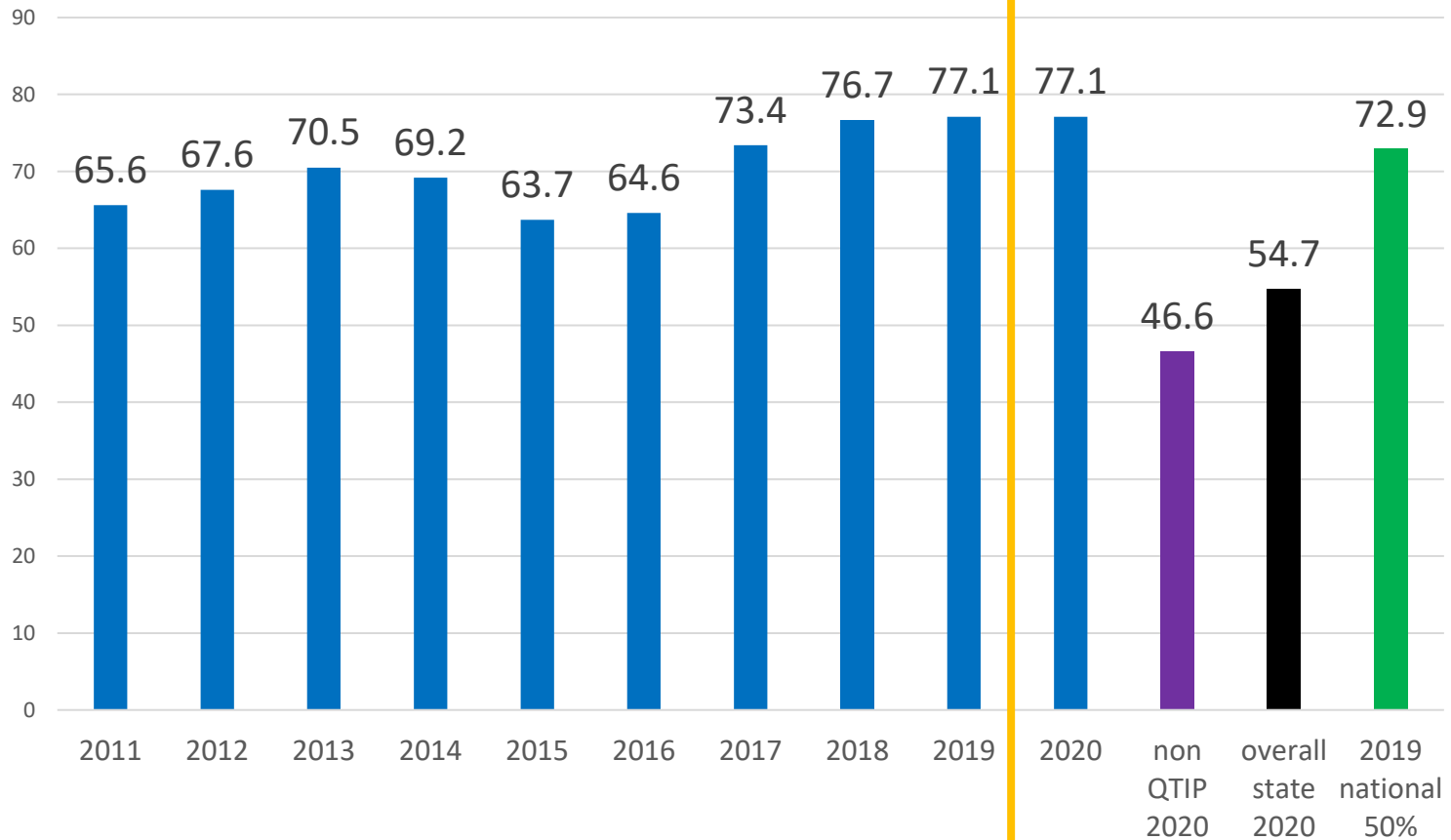 - South Carolina
  - National 50% benchmarks

HEDIS-like Administrative Claims Data – 2020

Well-child 3, 4, 5, 6

QTIP ranked in 50 – 74th percentile

QTIP practices have shown a 17.5% increase since 2011

Year	Value
2011	65.6
2012	67.6
2013	70.5
2014	69.2
2015	63.7
2016	64.6
2017	73.4
2018	76.7
2019	77.1
2020	77.1
non QTIP 2020	46.6
overall state 2020	54.7
2019 national 50%	72.9

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HEDIS-like Administrative Claims Data - 2020

Adolescent Well Care Visits

Year/Category	Value
2011	50.7
2012	54.9
2013	60.9
2014	57.5
2015	50.6
2016	49.8
2017	63.5
2018	69
2019	69.8
2020	68.3
non QTIP 2020	28.5
overall state 2020	35.1
2019 national 50%	54.3
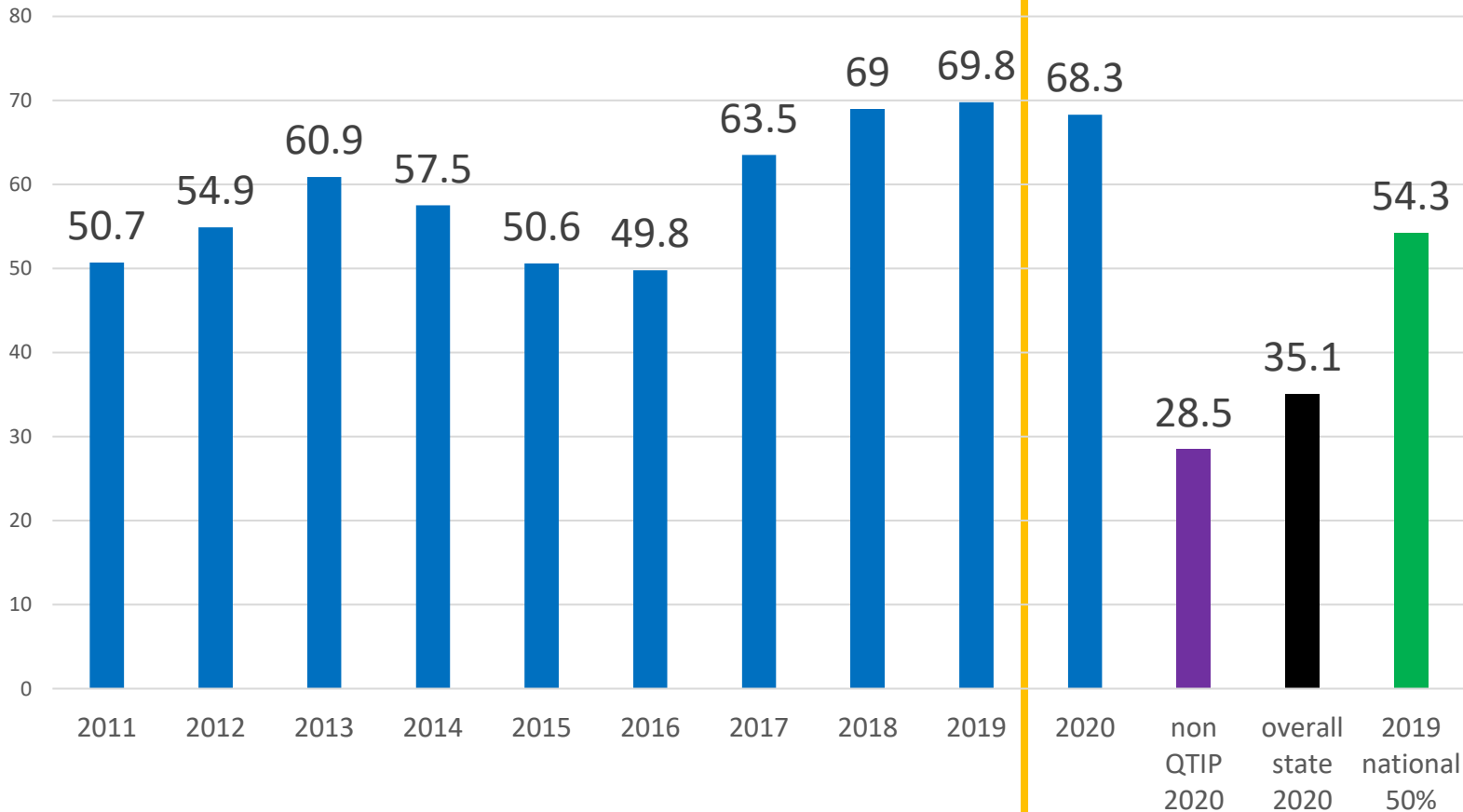
QTIP practices ranked in 90th percentile

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Administrative Claims Data - 2020

Chlamydia Screening for Women Ages 16-20

Year	Value
2011	49.7
2012	48.6
2013	50.5
2014	45.1
2015	45.5
2016	50
2017	53.2
2018	58.2
2019	59.1
2020	58.8
non QTIP 2020	49.8
overall state 2020	51.3
national 50%	53.6

Developmental Screenings

	QTIP 2019	QTIP 2020	non QTIP 2020	state 2020
screening by 12 months	59.8	61.2	21.1	34.1
screening by 24 months	68.7	71.7	28.3	40.4
screening by 36 months	34.2	34.7	9.7	15.9
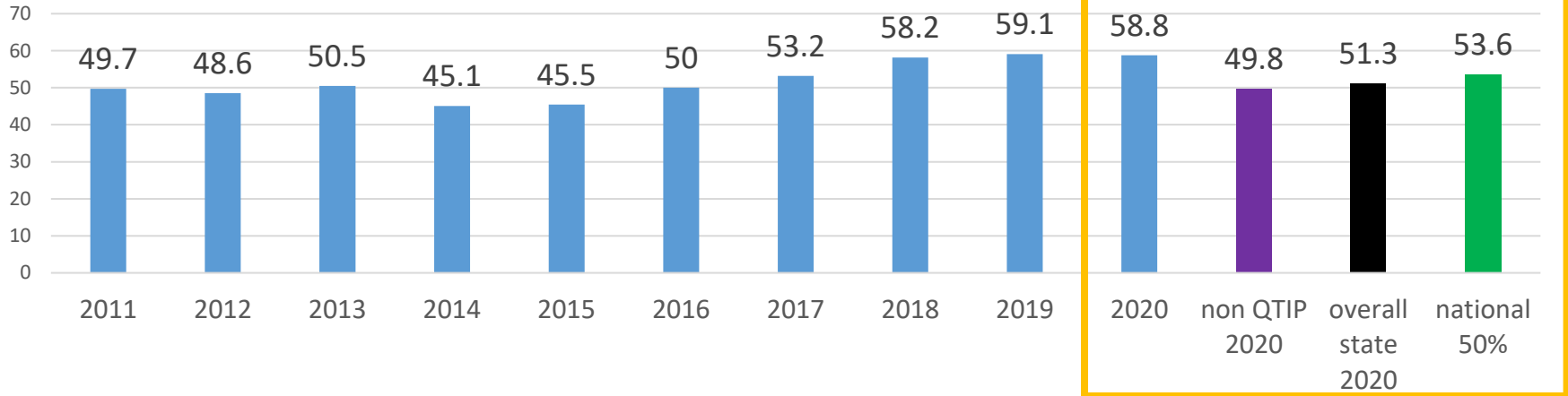
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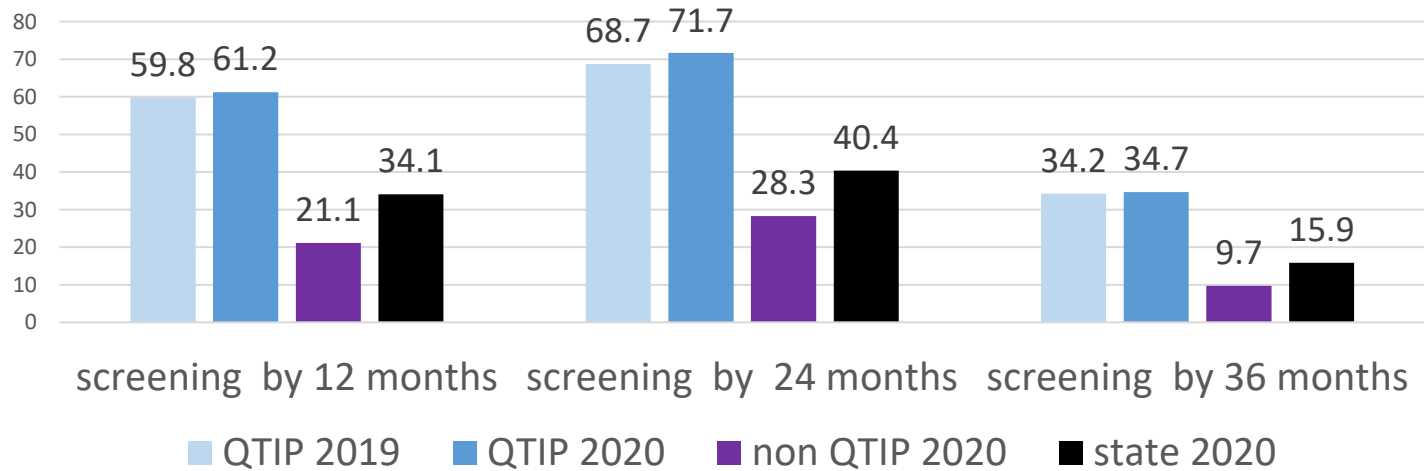
QTIP above National 90%

ADHD Follow-Up Care Initiation/Continuation

Year	ADHD - initiation	ADHD continuation
2011	42.1	47.3
2012	40.7	48
2013	44.3	49.5
2014	58	67.7
2015	56.5	63
2016	57.4	65.3
2017	58.4	69.7
2018	58.5	70.7
2019	57.5	67.1
2020	61.2	72.8
non QTIP 2020	54.6	63.5
overall state 2020	56.4	66.2
national 50%	43	54.7
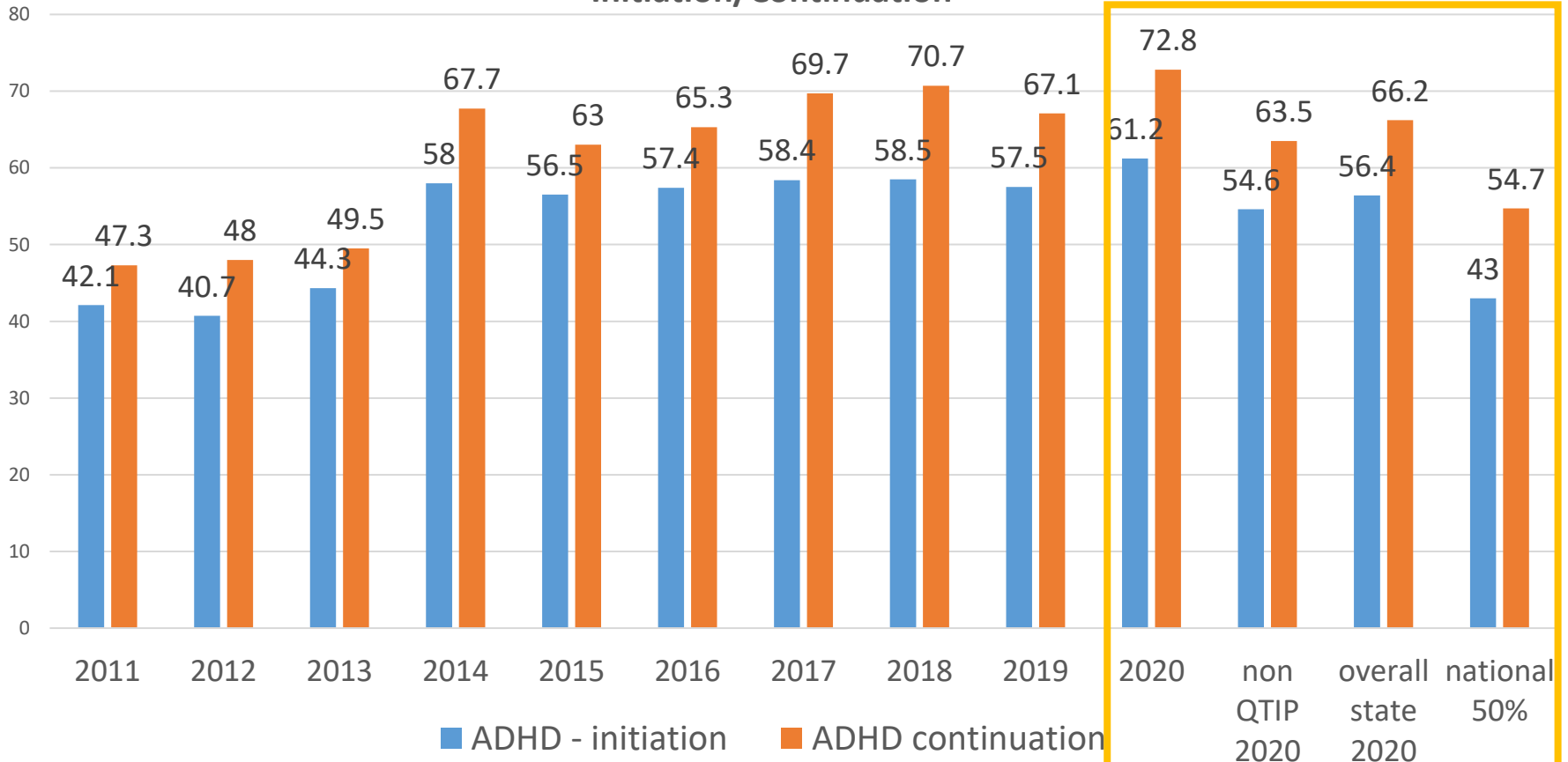
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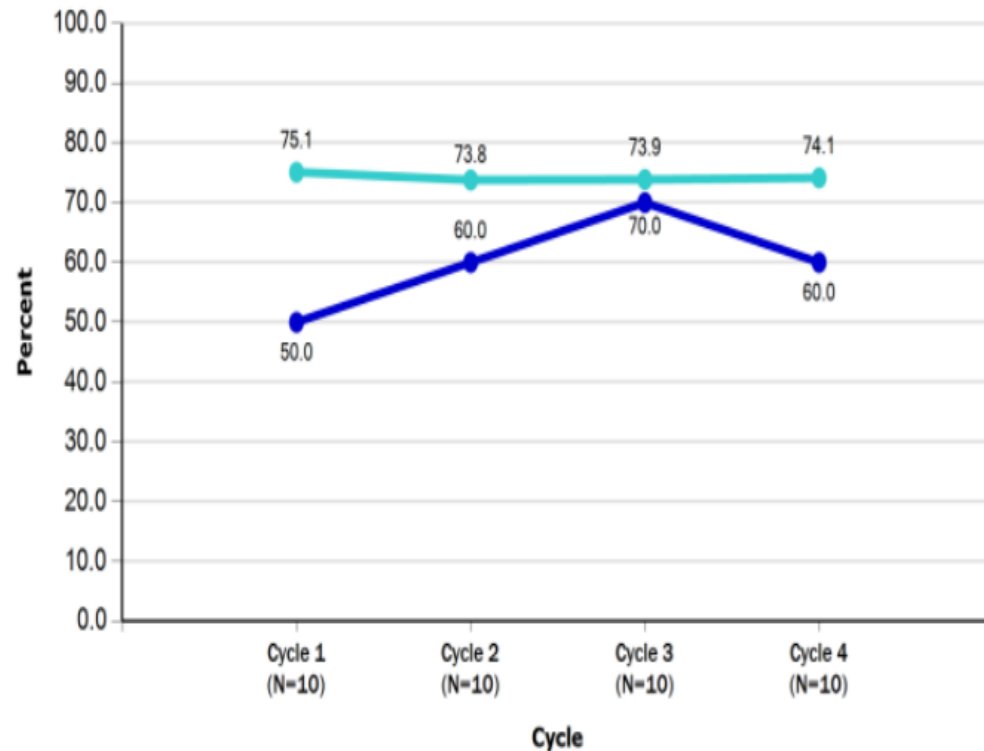
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SC Quality Improvement Data Aggregator system

- Standardized data

- Freedom to select what to work on

- Develop run charts, examine data and develop quality projects

- "Real time" data pulled by you (10 charts/topic)

REMEMBER….

QIDA and HEDIS data are different

Rate of patients who have had at least one HPV shot

QIDA can show you where you have the **most** room for the **most** improvement, where you could benefit to take a deeper dive and initiate a QI project

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QIDA Highlights

Over the past 18 months, QTIP practices self-audits have reflected:

- 11% increase in well visit compliance for asthmatic children ages 5-18

- 5% decrease in ER visits for asthmatic children ages 5-18

- 9% increase in well visit compliance for adolescent children ages 13-18

- 19% increase in screening for suicide ideation in adolescents ages 13-18

- 32% increase in screening for anxiety in adolescents ages 13-18

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- **Review**
  - SCDHHS News
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- **Data**

- **Current and Future Plans**

"Times and conditions change so rapidly that we must keep our aim constantly focused on the future."

~ Walt Disney

2021-2022 Components

Learning Collaborative

Technical Assistance:

- Site visits
- ABP MOC Part 4

Quality Improvement

- Monthly calls
  - (2nd Wed @ 12:30)
- Obesity Workshop
  - (Sept 22nd)

Mental Health

- Wellness Wednesday
  - (1st Wed @ 12:30)
- Consultation with Dr. Anita Khetpal

Areas of Focus/Measures

- Obesity (7-10 yr. olds)
- Social Determinants of Health (2-6 yr. olds)
  - Protective factors
  - Screening and
  - Trauma Informed Care

Data Collection

- QIDA
- QI and PDSA documentation

Communication

- Blog
- Website
- Newsletter

Maintenance of Certification (MOC)

- Portfolio renewed March 2020 – Feb. 2022
- Located on QTIP website
- 54 MOC Part 4 credits issued

Topics

- Access
- ADHD
- Adolescent Health
- Asthma
- Behavioral Health
- Breastfeeding
- Developmental Screening

- Emergency Department Usage
- Obesity
- Oral Health Disease
- Smoke Exposure
- Well-child Visits
- Pandemic Response (new)
- Suicide Prevention (new)

Changes That Will Remain

- Site visits
  - In-person, WebEx or hybrid
  - Peer reviewers

- Monthly calls via WebEx
  - Wellness Wednesdays
  - QI

- Special – in-depth workshops
  - Obesity: Sept 22nd
  - Adverse Childhood Experiences Spring 2022

Remember:

- See board to:
  - Verify your site visit
  - Sign up as a peer reviewer

- Mark your calendar for Sept 22nd

What's NEXT

- QIDA data entry on our new topics will be open Sept. 1st

- Stakeholder survey

- LC evaluations

- Next steps form

Changes

What changes are you planning?

> "The secret of change is to focus all of your energy not on fighting the old, but on building the new."
> ~ Socrates

> "Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek."
> ~ Barack Obama

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