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Health system considerations for the growing population of Hispanic CSHCN in Arkansas



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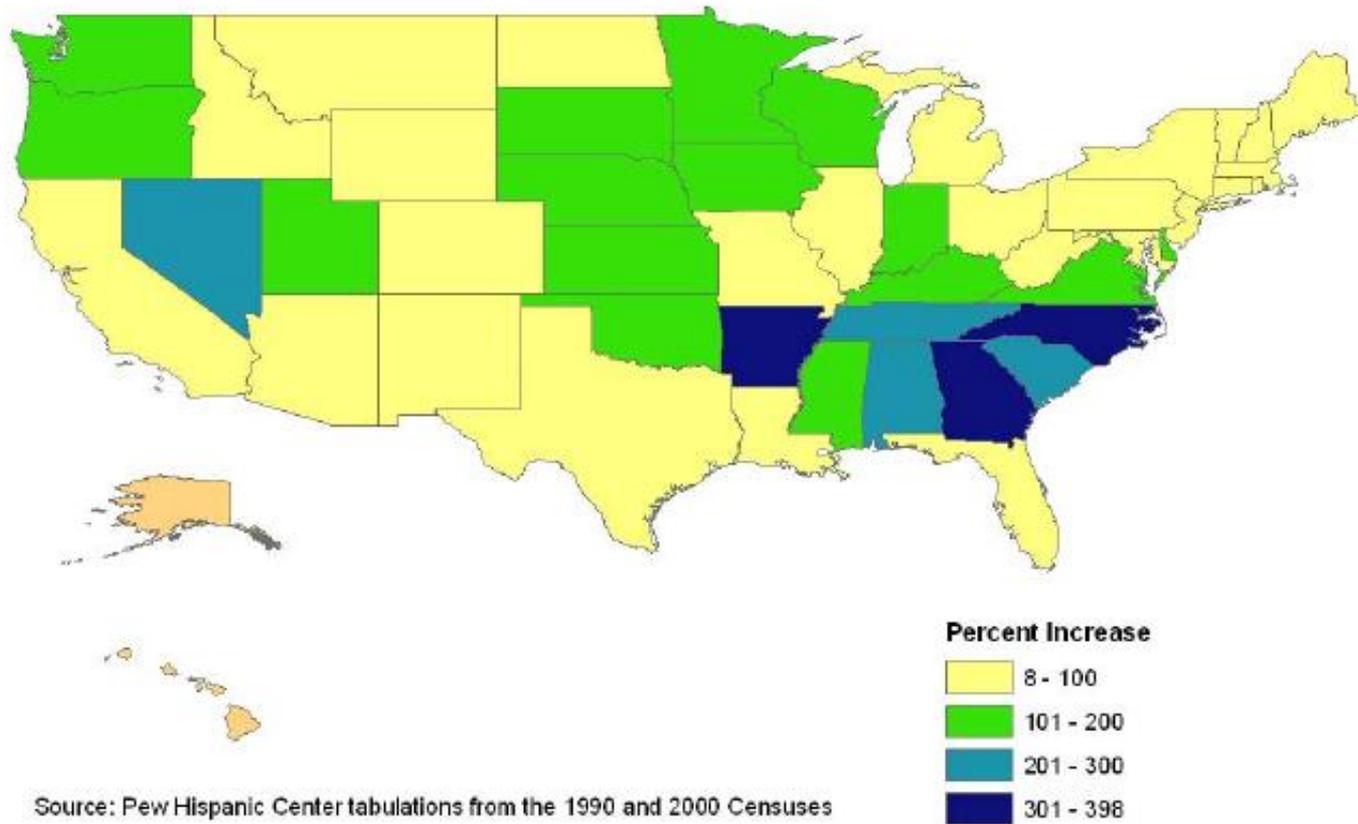
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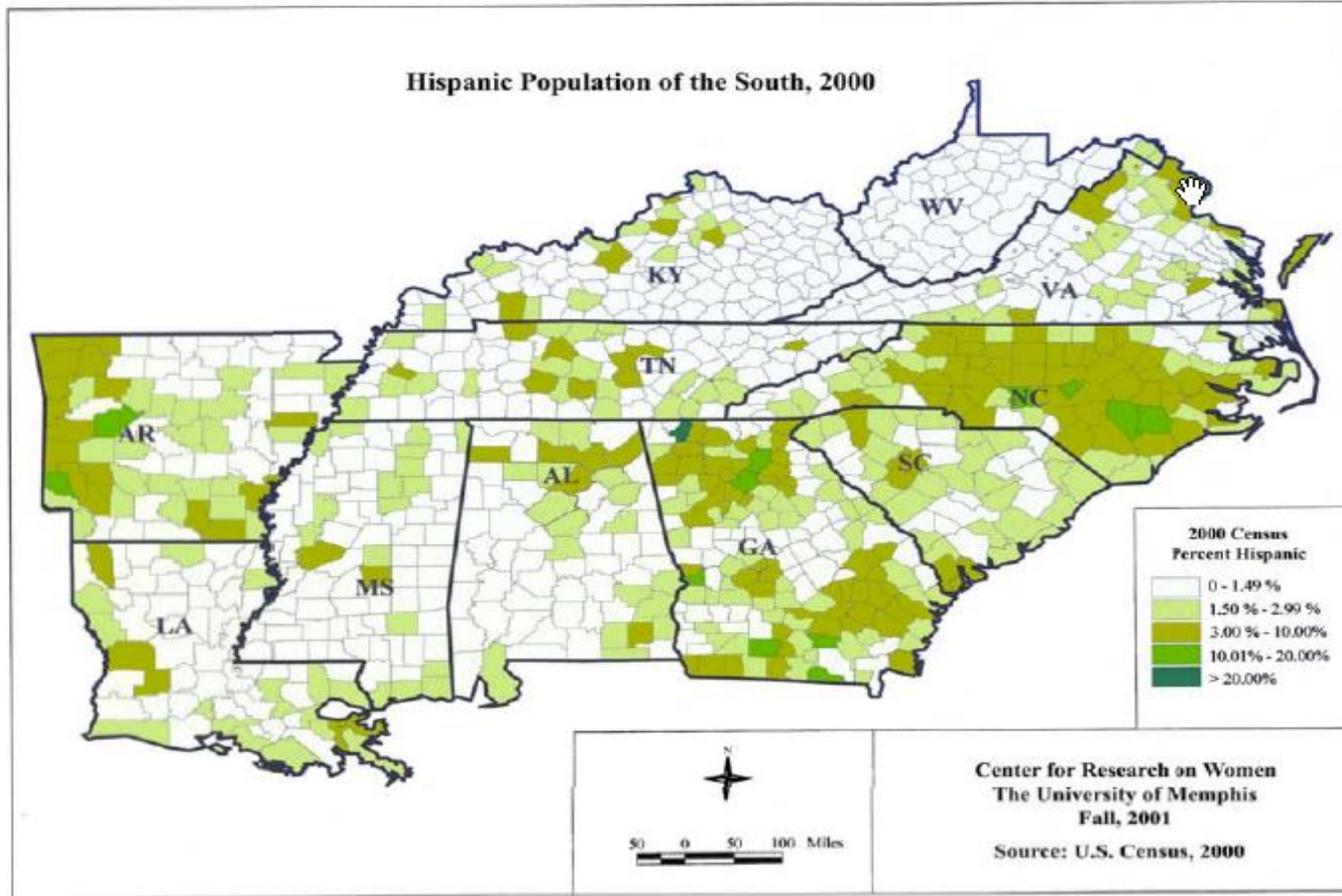
Background

Map 1
Hispanic Growth by State, 1990-2000



Source: Pew Hispanic Center tabulations from the 1990 and 2000 Censuses

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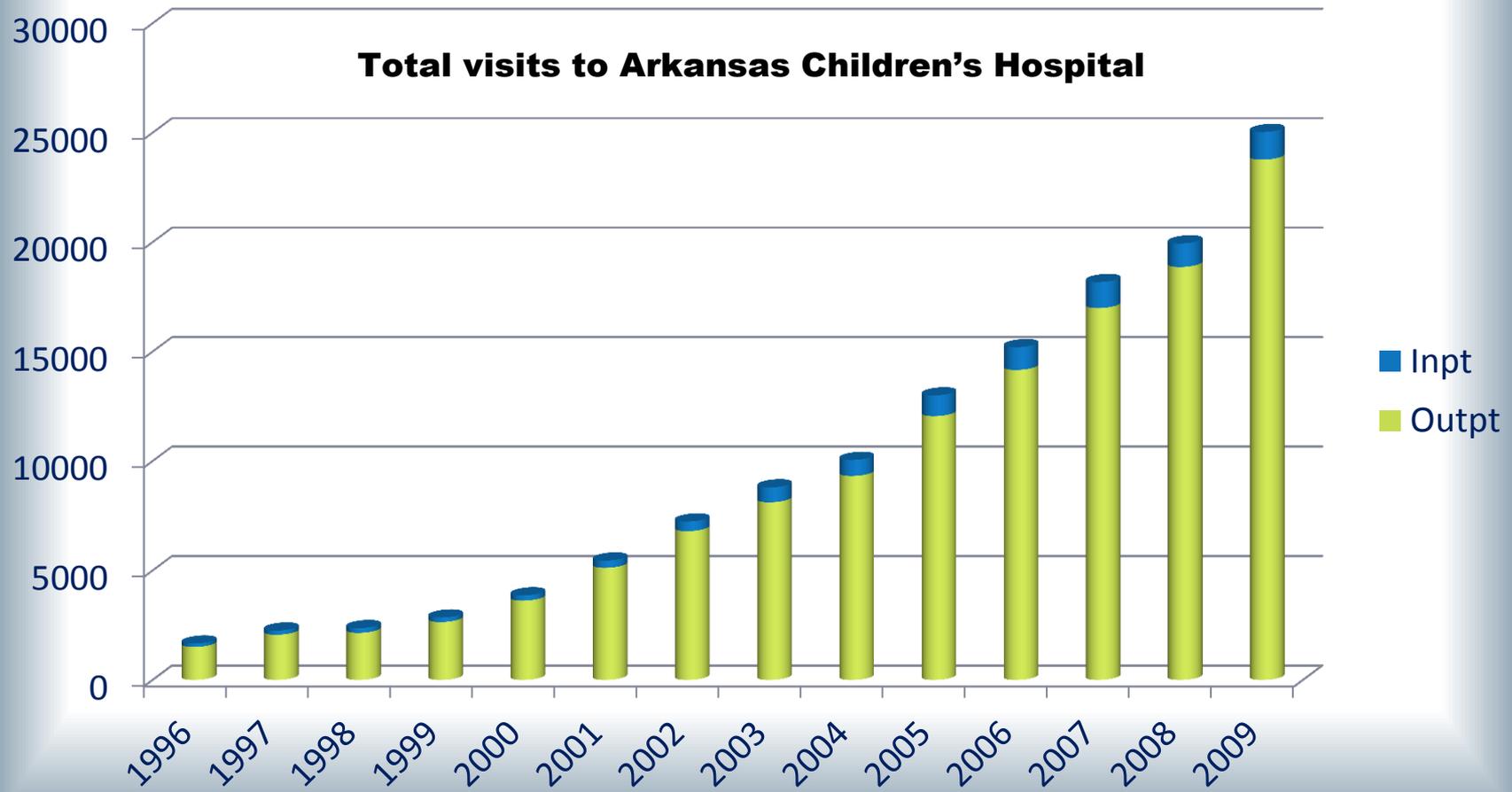
Background (2000-2010)

- Top 5 states in Hispanic population growth
 - South Carolina-236,000
 - Alabama-186,000
 - Tennessee-290,000
 - Kentucky-133,000
 - **Arkansas (114% growth)-186,000**
 - 300+% growth from 1990-2000
 - **6th in %growth of child population**
 - Officially from 3.2 to 6.4% AR population

Issues with rapid population growth

- Language and limited English proficiency
 - Schools
 - Justice system
 - Public and private healthcare system
- Immigration status
 - Impact on insurance status
 - Social and health impacts of deportation
- Knowledge of US systems

Rapid child population growth



Rapid child population growth

- Against the backdrop of specific circumstances with newly arrived immigrants, growth of the population of CYSHCN is to be expected, but isn't always considered early enough
- Estimates by HRSA and others show that nearly 20% of the Arkansas child population is made up of CYSHCN



Community supports

- Informal networks, volunteers
- Faith-based (example Catholic church services)
- Non-profits
 - Locals
 - Chapters of nationals-NCLR, LULAC
- Consular outposts and programs

Launch of Ventanilla de Salud



Organizational responses

- Language assistance services at ACH
 - Initial concerns about volunteers, agency
 - From 3 to 16+ FTEs over 10 yr period
 - Includes 2 office staff
 - 24/7 in-house availability
 - On-call availability
 - Emerging participation in national certification process

Organizational responses

- Clinical services
 - ACH Latino clinic starts 2009 (approved prior) to begin to address needs of Latino CYSHCN
 - Medical home clinic for CSHCN
 - Integration of Latino service into MHCL
 - Staffing needs: bilingual people!
 - All levels-appointments, reception, triage, nursing, physician, coordination

Clinical services

- Expansion of primary care site to concentrate bilingual provider availability
- Latino CYSHCN focused coordination
 - 50-60 children with high medical complexity-2 or more specialists, technology dependence, neuro-developmental disability
 - 150-200 children with needs that meet definition of special healthcare needs

HRSA D70 CSHCN project

- **Mission:** To improve the community-based and integrated system of health care for children and youth with special health care needs (CYSHCN) so that ALL CYSHCN and their families in Arkansas, with the help of professionals, will achieve optimal life and health outcomes by ensuring timely access to health services and supports.

HRSA D70 CSHCN project

- Overarching strategic plan covering Title V services, family involvement, AAP chapter involvement, transitions planning and minority outreach
- Local Family-2-Family agency with contract funds to hire minority outreach specialist

HRSA D70 CSHCN Project

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El Instituto de Investigación del Hospital de Niños de Arkansas (ACHRI por sus siglas en inglés) - Proyecto para Mejorar el Sistema en Arkansas de Asistencia para Niños y Jóvenes con Necesidades Especiales de la Salud (ARSIP por sus siglas en inglés), está hospedando una discusión de grupo (también se puede decir grupo focal o grupo de enfoque) para los padres de niños y jóvenes con necesidades especiales de asistencia médica. Estamos buscando a los padres de niños hasta 18 años de edad con cualquier discapacidad médica o inhabilidad de salud a largo plazo; tal como parálisis cerebral, autismo, fibrosis quística, síndrome de Down, asma o diabetes. Se le pedirá a los padres que compartan sus experiencias y expresen sus opiniones sobre como mejorar el sistema de asistencia médica en Arkansas para sus hijos.

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Future Directions

- Completion of Focus Group work for D70 project
 - Groups done in 3 cities so far, additional 3-4 groups planned
- Completion of overarching strategic plan
- Sustainability of F-2-F minority outreach
- Improvement in care coordination, transitions planning at ACH