

*Practice Authority*

# **COVID-19 and the Changing Role of the NP**

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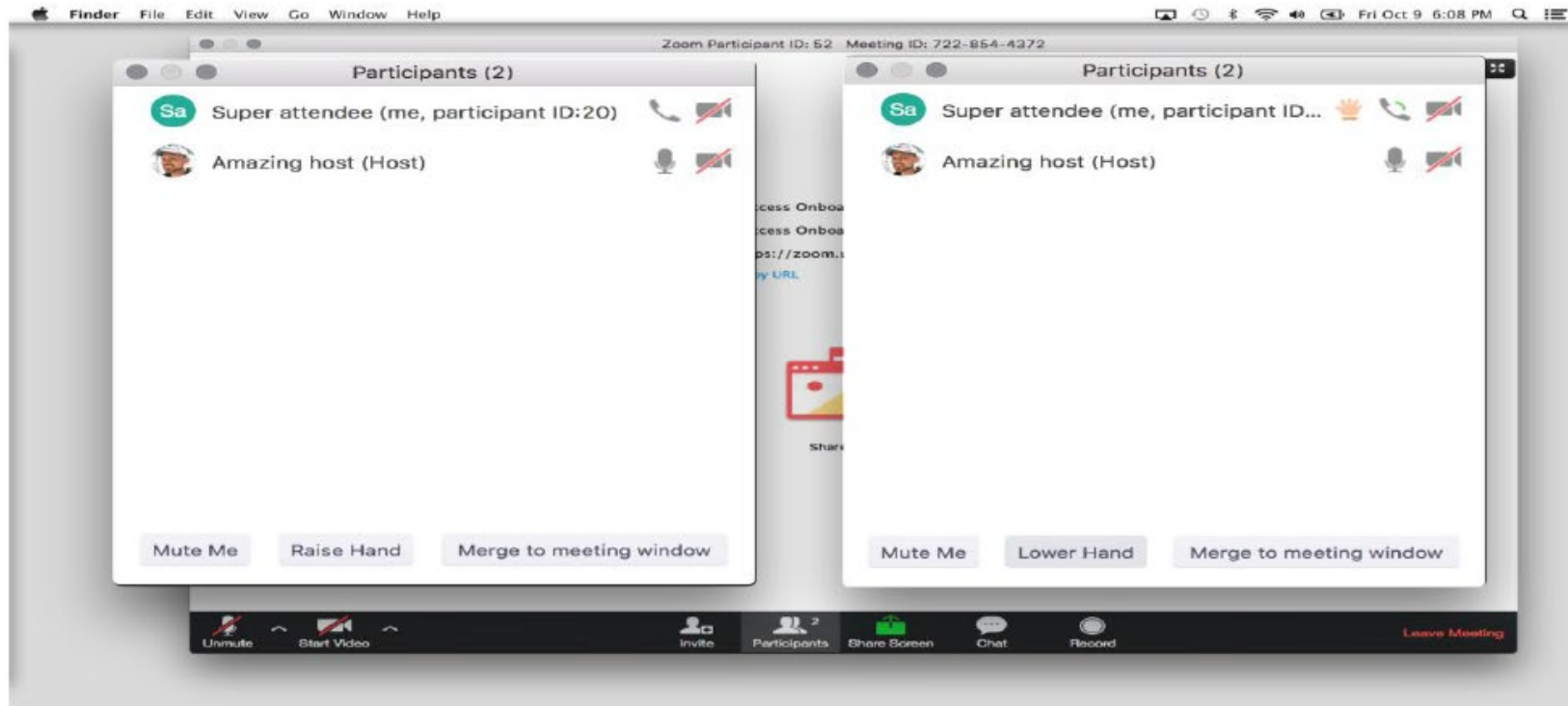
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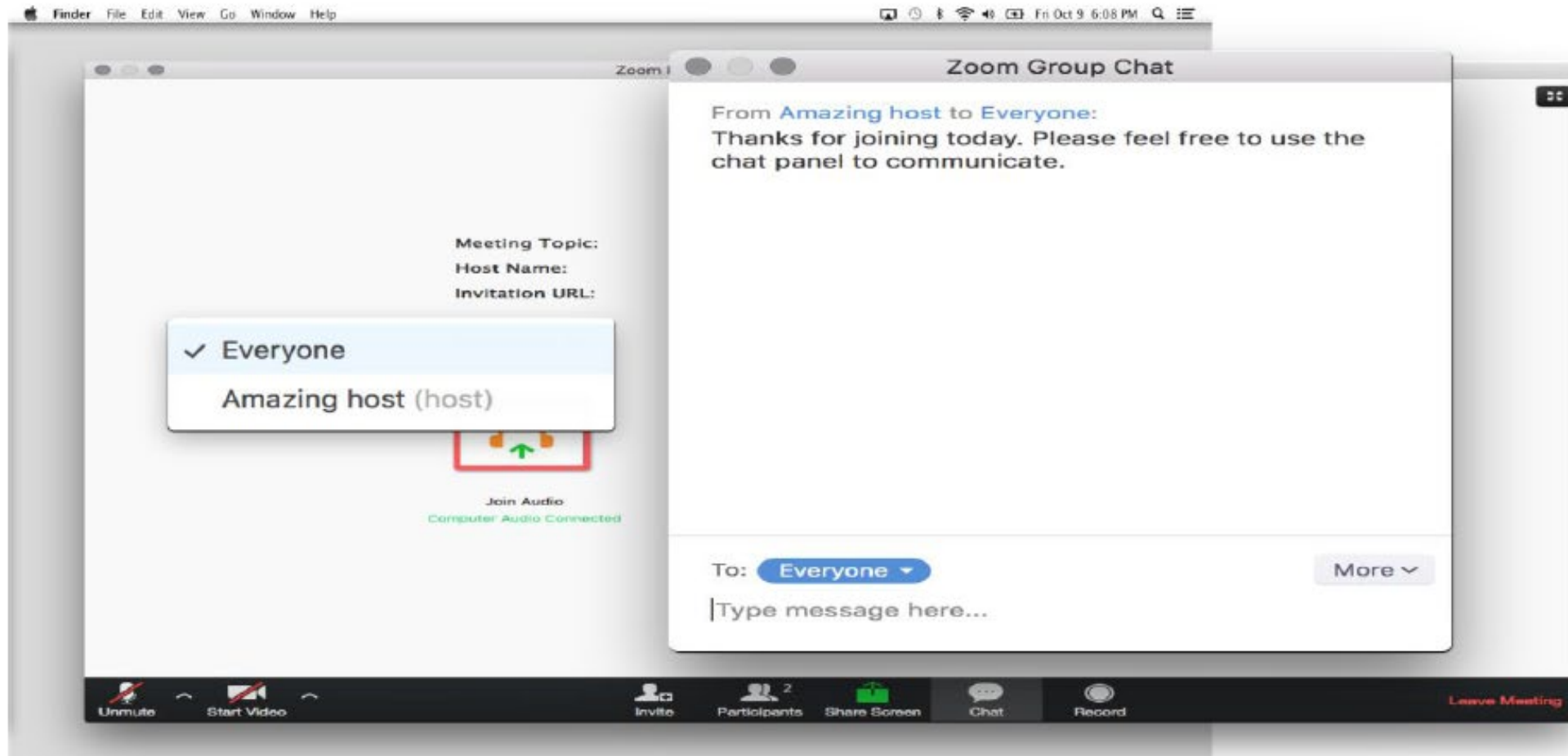
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# Practice Authority: Covid-19 and the Changing Role of the NP



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# Poll

**Has your state made changes to practice authority due to the Covid-19 response?**

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

**If yes, did you experience a change in your role as NP in your care setting?**

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable







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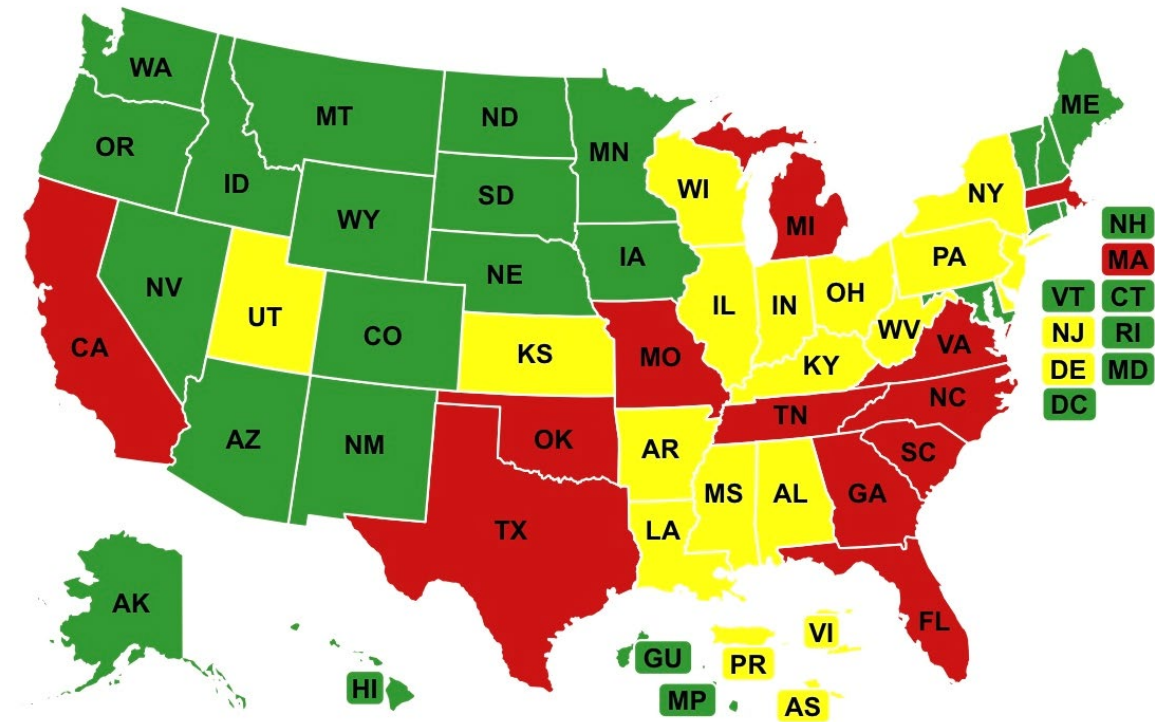
## Improving Lives. Transforming Policy



- *More than 5 decades* of improving access & quality care
- *290,000* NPs strong
- Prescribe medications in *50 states, D.C. and US territories*
- Over *1 billion* patient care visits annually

# Practice Authority

## Full & Direct Access to NP-provided care



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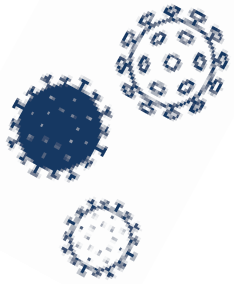
Full Practice

Reduced Practice

Restricted Practice

# Covid-19

## Practice Changes

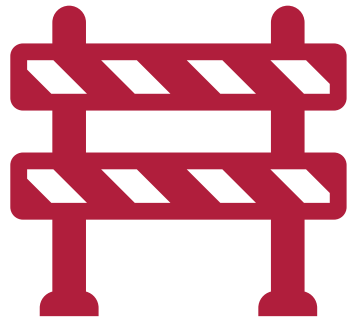
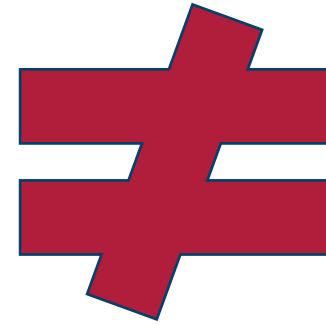
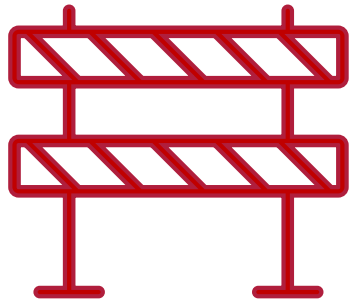


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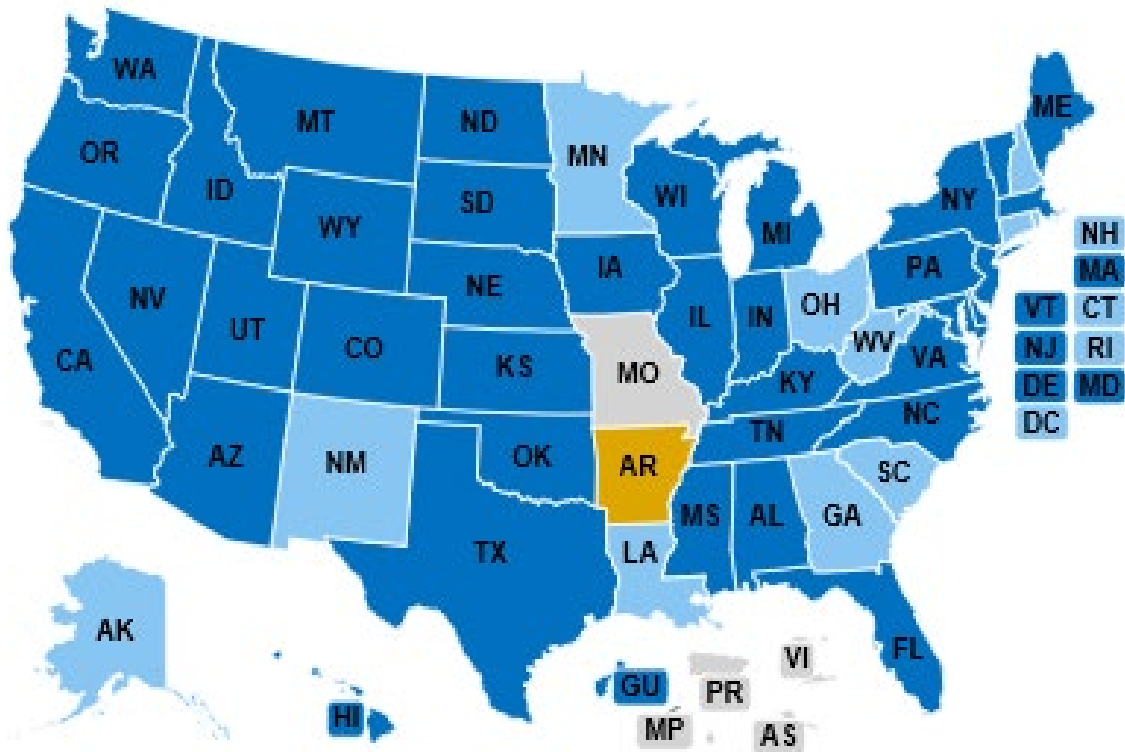


# Covid-19

## Response Challenges



# Emergency State Licensure



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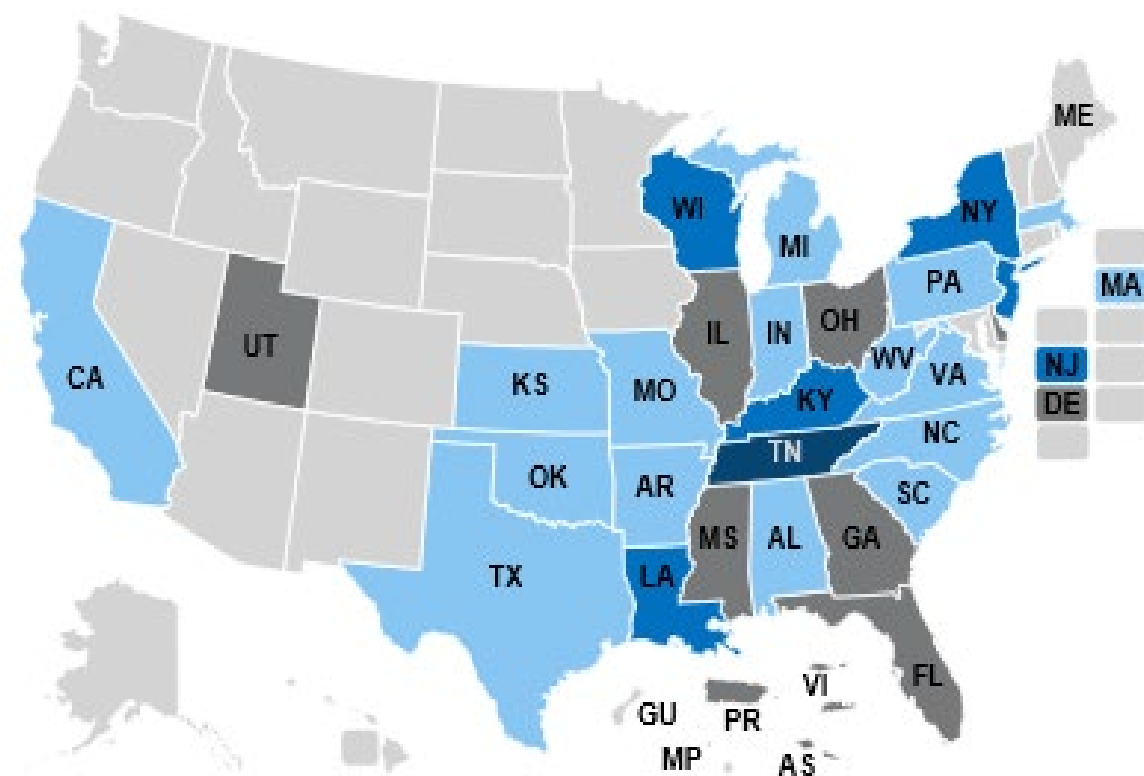
### Out-of-State and In-state Retired and Inactive

### Out-of-State

### In-state Retired or Temp License

# Covid-19

## Temporarily Suspended and Waived Practice Agreement Requirements



### Legend

Executive Orders Expired

Temporary suspension of all practice agreement requirements

Temporary waiver of select practice agreement requirements

Currently no action on this issue

Full Practice Authority States

# Covid-19

## Practice Changes



Temporarily closed or reduced in-office care



Increased or migrated to telehealth services



Reduced hours or clinical staff



Access to PPE

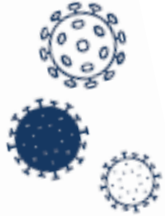


Ongoing need for testing

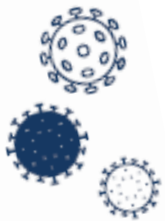


# Covid-19

## Practice Challenges



*“My students want me to continue to care for them. If they’re home in another state, can I still do that?”*



***“It is easier for me to go serve in another state than it is for me to volunteer in my own community.”***



*“I’ve been sidelined. My clinic is closed, and I can’t get a physician for a collaborative agreement to provide telehealth or work in another capacity.”*

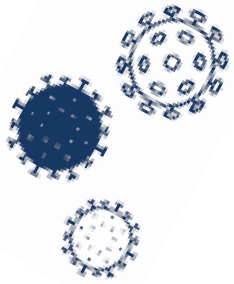
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# Moving Forward

Way

## how NURSING shapes the future





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# Moving Forward

## Keep the long view in focus



Executive Orders are **Temporary**



Consistent with the APRN Consensus Model



Meaningfully move the needle



Include all practice settings and populations



Solve a broader policy issue

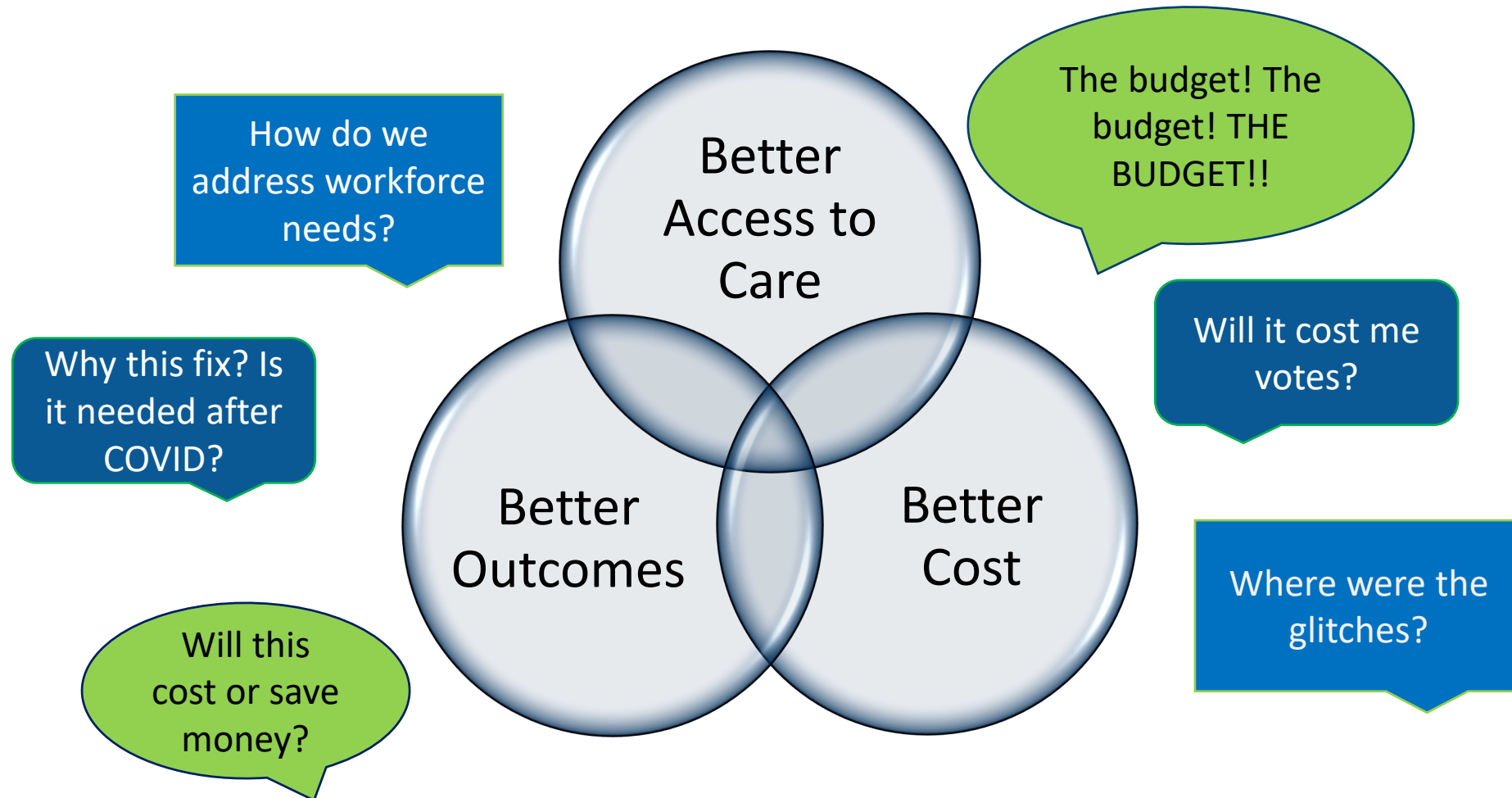
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Requires framing for the broader policy issues



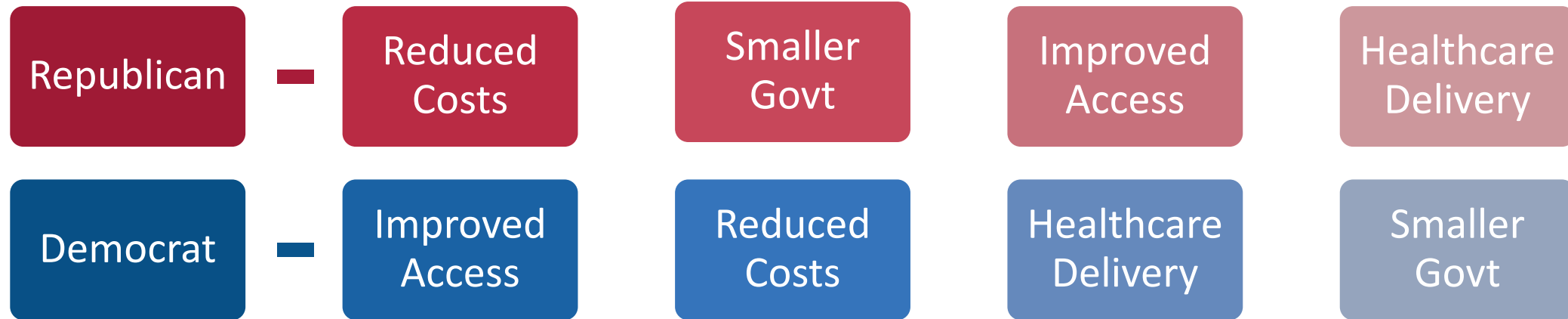
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Frame our stories within the broader policy issues

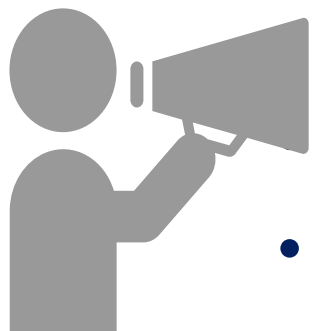


# Moving Forward

Frame our stories to match policy maker narrative



Source Data: Adapted from C. Pagel, D. W. Bates, D. Goldmann et al., "A Way Forward for Bipartisan Health Reform? Democrat and Republican State Legislator Priorities for the Goals of Health Policy," *American Journal of Public Health*, published online Aug. 17, 2017.



Customize messaging to legislator priorities

Thread to the broader issue

- Keeps patients in focus



# Moving Forward

The Rule of 5's—*action steps to take this year!*

- Attend a "Meet the Candidate" and "Open House"
- Donate time and money to support a candidate that is running for office
- Write a note of congratulations to the candidate that wins and offer to serve as a consult on health issues or other areas where you have expertise.
- Send a "thank you" letter to your elected representative when they vote in support of a non-healthcare issue that 's important to you.
- Forward a copy of a news article on a healthcare interest



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# Poll

**If you are practicing as an NP, are you integrated into your care team as an equal interprofessional member?**

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

**If you are practicing as an NP, are you working to the full scope of your license?**

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable





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# Expanding the role of Advanced Practice Clinicians:

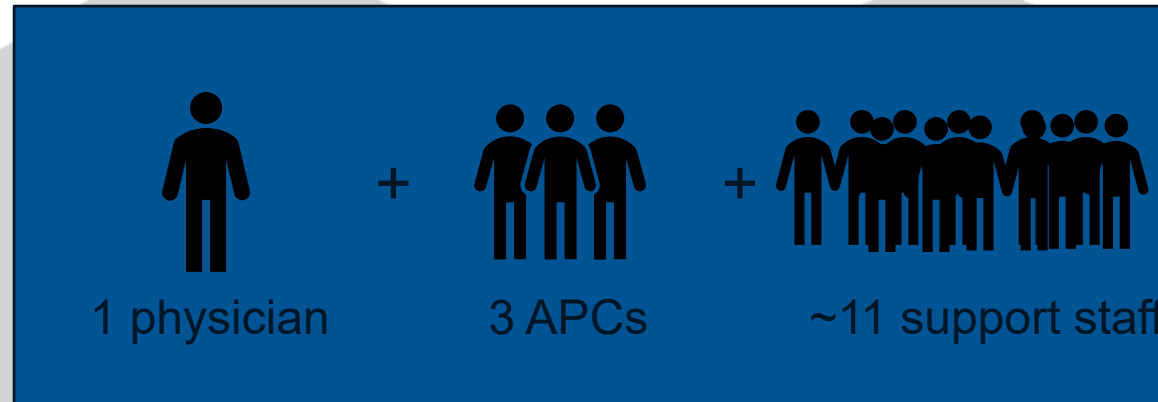
## *A Strategic Priority*

- Open Door has a long history of having physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants working side by side, managing their own panels of patients.
- Widespread camaraderie, built over years, has contributed to mutual respect and confidence in one another's capabilities and strengths.
- Open Door has a strong interdisciplinary care team model with interdisciplinary collaboration, though emphasis has not been on a unique role for APCs or collaboration between APCs and MDs

# A Prototype of the Care Team Model



Patient Panel



## **Benefits of the Care Team Model:**

- Clinician Recruitment
- Clinician Satisfaction
- Patient Access to Care
- Patient Satisfaction

## **Pathway for Success**

- Onboarding approach → Possible future fellowship/residency
- Culture of mutual respect and collaboration
- Structured Model of Collaboration
- Specific roles for APCs that utilize their strengths

# My role at Open Door: *A Unique NP Opportunity*

- Hybrid primary care clinician/administrator
- Report to the Community Health Department
- Practice Transformation champion role
  - Care Team Innovation
  - Value-Based Care Initiatives
  - Transitions of Care
  - Telehealth Model of Care

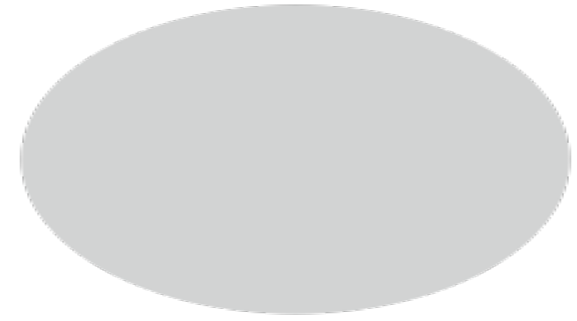
# An NP-led Covid Response

- **Mid March:** Sudden influx in patient calls/inquiries
- Rapidly developed NP-led Covid Triage protocol
  - 3 NPs (me, School-Based Health, Community Health Nurse)
  - Soon a group of MDs joined in
- Quickly transitioned to billable telehealth
- Scaled to all PCPs

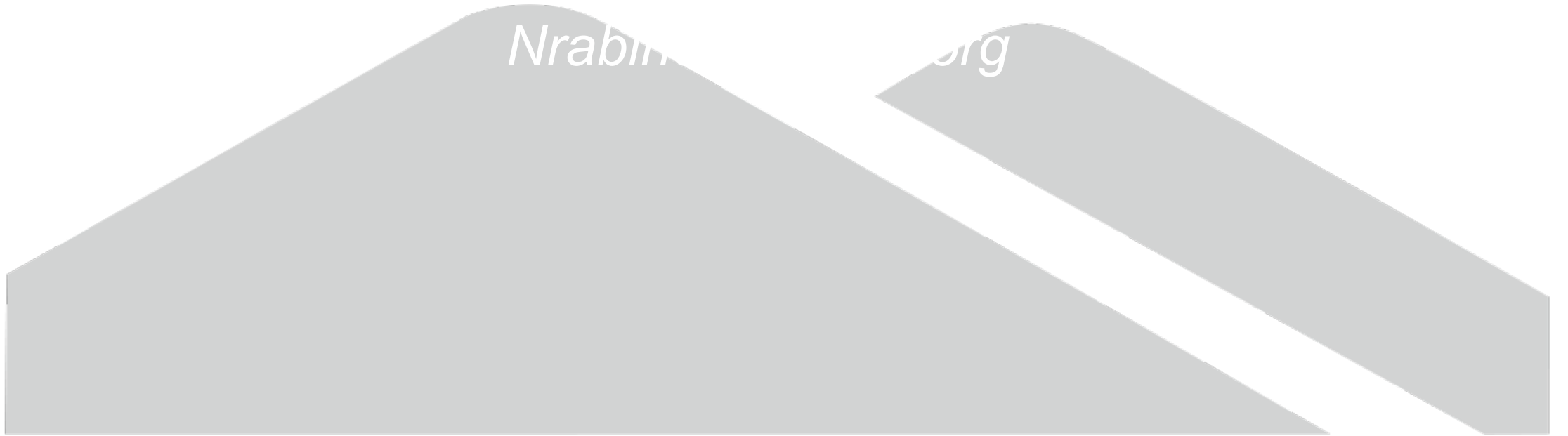


# APCs in the Post-Covid Emergency Era

- Care Teams will need to adapt to a new consumer appetite and logistical need for virtual care
- Exploring unique role for NPs in telehealth
  - Covid testing/engagement
  - Virtual Care role on care team
  - Transitions of Care
  - School-Based Care
  - Others . . .



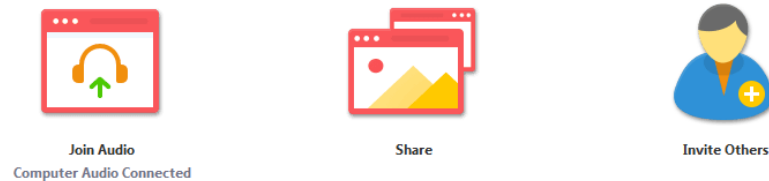
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