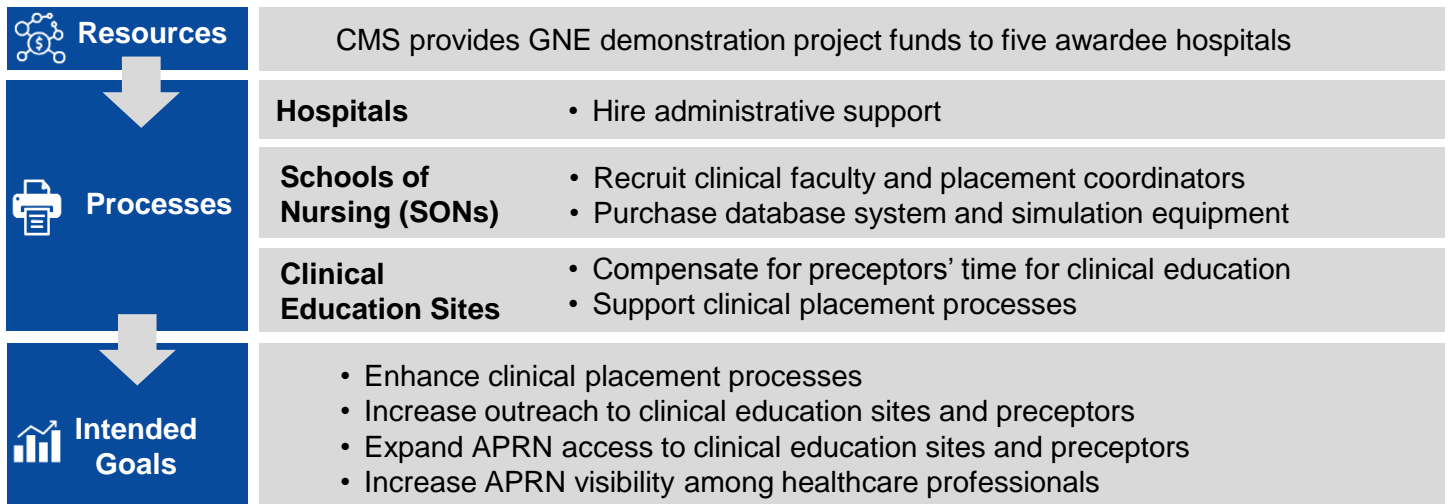


DEMONSTRATION OVERVIEW

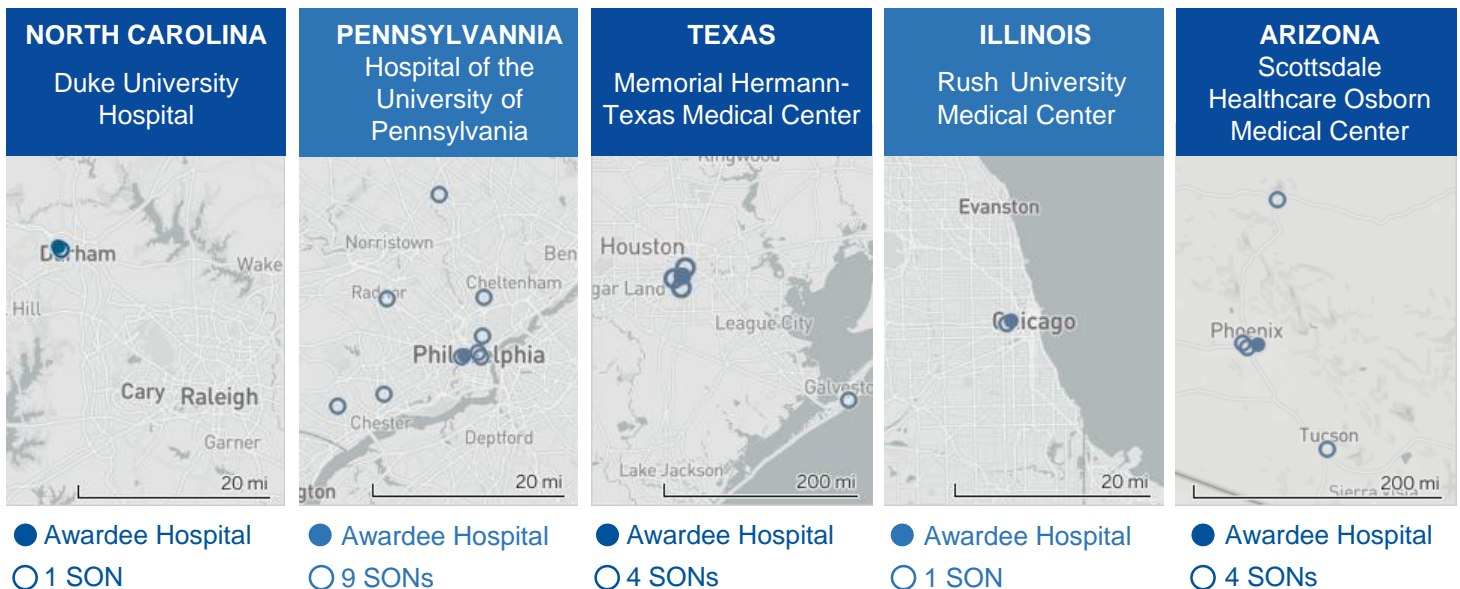
Both clinical and didactic education are required for Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) students to graduate. The GNE demonstration project, established in 2012 by Section 5509 of the 2010 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, focused on just the clinical education of APRN students. The GNE demonstration was funded for \$50 million per fiscal year from 2012 to 2015 to reimburse five awardee hospitals for their reasonable costs in providing qualified clinical education to additional APRN students. The GNE demonstration was extended to 2018. The key objective of the demonstration was to increase the number of both enrolled and graduated APRN students.



PARTICIPANTS

The GNE participants included five awardee hospitals located in different geographical regions and their partners ranging from one to nine SONs, several community-based care settings, and other hospitals.

Figure 1. Regional Maps of Awardee Hospitals and SONs



Note: These maps do not include community-based care settings and other hospitals

FINDINGS

Figure 2. APRN Student Enrollment Trends

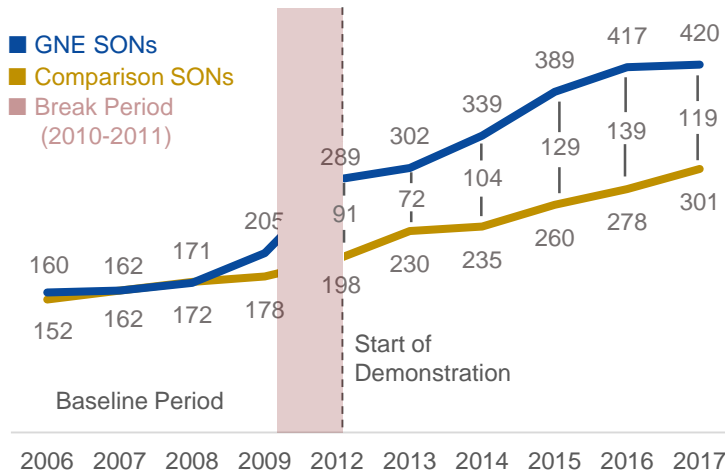
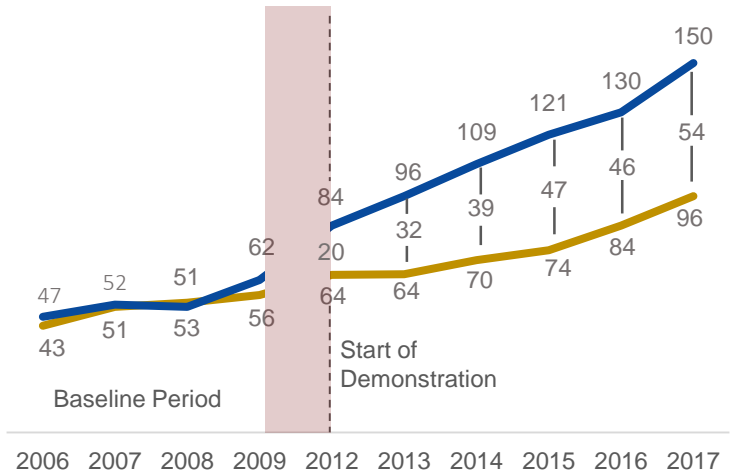


Figure 3. APRN Student Graduation Trends



Average Impact Estimate of GNE Demonstration: 93 additional APRNs enrolled per SON per year

Average Impact Estimate of GNE Demonstration: 35 additional APRNs graduated per SON per year



SUCCESS

Improved systems and added clinical placement staff



SUCCESS

Strengthened collaboration among SONs and clinical education sites



SUCCESS

Increased awareness of the APRN skillset



CHALLENGE

Increased demand by preceptors to be financially compensated

KEY TAKEAWAYS

The GNE demonstration (2012-2018) led to 54 and 67 percent increases in APRN student enrollment and graduations, respectively. The total cost to CMS for the clinical education of additional APRN students was \$176,377,494. Compared to non-GNE SONs with similar characteristics, a total of 3,739 additional APRN students graduated due to the demonstration. The average cost to CMS under the demonstration of supporting the clinical education of an additional APRN student to graduation was \$47,172. Due to the small number and particular characteristics of hospital awardees such as being based in an urban center, results may not be generalizable to non-similar settings.