

# How to Present Your Spina Bifida Program to Get What You Need

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#### 1990s

1 Pediatrician and 1 Nurse Practitioner as sole practice to coordinate care for:

- Outpatient multidisciplinary clinic visits
  - 3 half-days per month, 14-16 patients/session
- ED Follow-ups
- In-patient stays
- IEPs
- Medication and DME refills



#### 2000s

1 Physiatrist and 1 Nurse Practitioner as one of several responsibilities (including clinics for movement disorder, torticollis, and spina bifida) to coordinate care for:

- Outpatient multidisciplinary clinic visits
  - 2-3 half-days per month, 8-10 patients/session
- IEPs?
- Medication and DME refills



Can we do it better?

#### The Vision

Create a medical home where children living with spina bifida in the Washington DC Metro area and surrounding communities might obtain comprehensive wellness?

- 1. Standard Pillars
  - Neurosurgical
  - 2. Orthopedic
  - 3. Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
  - 4. Urology
- 2. Expanded services
  - 1. Vaccination, Well Child Checks, School Physicals
  - 2. Screening and Treatment for Metabolic Disorders

#### The Pitch

- 1. Review the hospital's mission statement to frame the ask in terms of the stated goals.
- 2. Children's National 6 Pillars of Strength
  - 1. Care
  - 2. Advocacy
  - 3. Research
  - 4. Education
  - 5. Financial Strength
  - 6. Employer of Choice
- 3. Provide context for each goal. How does the ask meet the institution's priorities?
- 4. Result is a 5-6 pages document to be shared entirely or as select talking points
  - 1. Align the pitch with the person
  - 2. Build the momentum

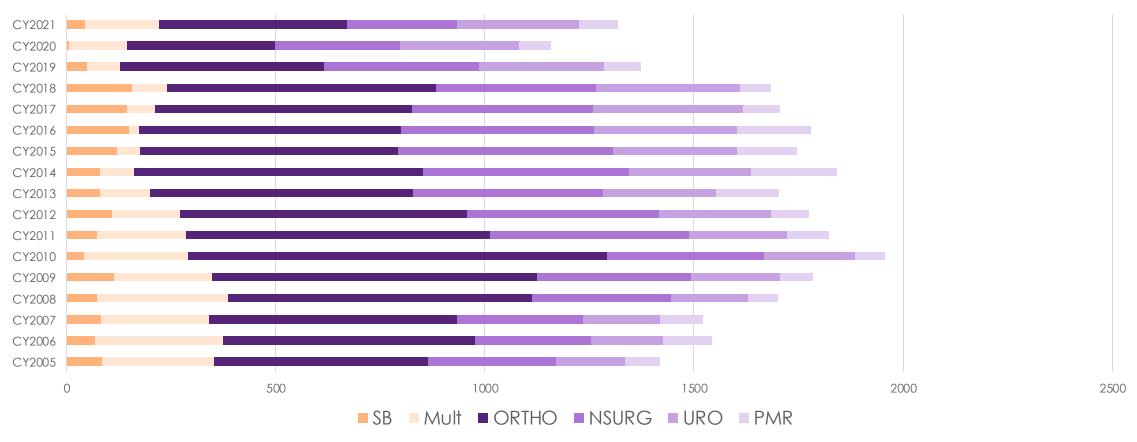


## How does the \$ flow?

Neurosurgery Spina Orthopedics Urology Bifida Provider PM&R Children's National.

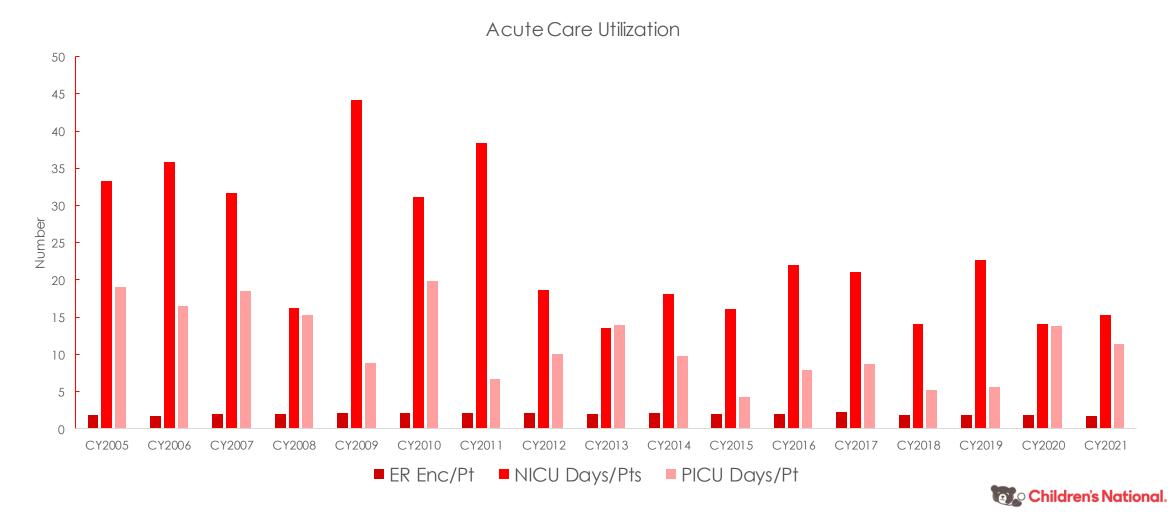
## Most outpatient visit (charges) point to Ortho & Neuro

OP Visits by Service



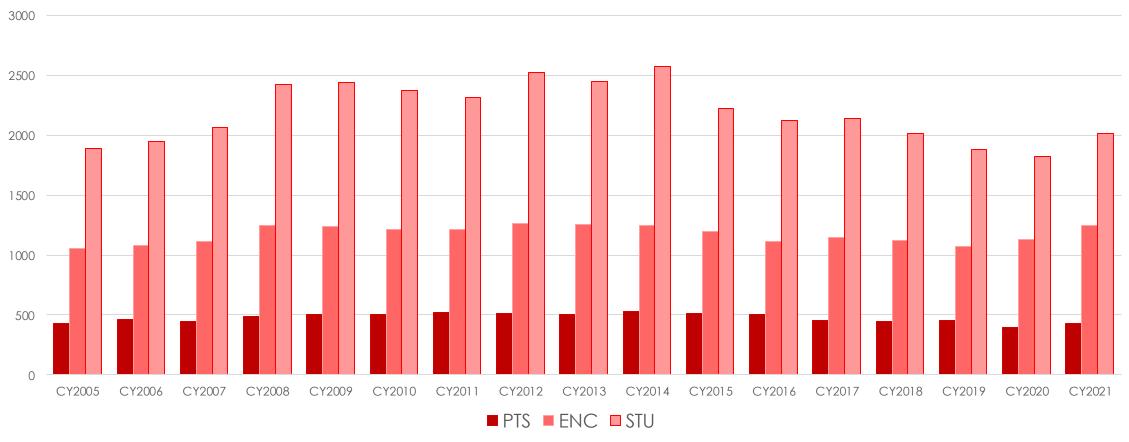


## Heavy utilization of acute care services



## Heavy utilization of ambulatory care services

Radiology Encounters and Studies per patient





## Heavy utilization of surgical services

Urological Surgeries





#### The Pro Forma: because \$ talks

- Decide on the assumptions
  - Lean on the SBA guidelines
- Partner with Finance and agree to include downstream revenue

	Newborn	3 mos	6 mos	1 yr	2yr	3yr	4yr	5yr
RBUS	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
DMSA			X		X	X	X	X
VUDS*			X	X	X	X	X	X
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Level 4 Inpatient consult	X							
Level 3 Established patient visit		X	X	X	X	X	X	X

## Spina Bifida Clinic Pro Forma 2017

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	
Operating Revenue					
Gross Patient Revenue	Α				
Total Deductions	В				
Net Patient Revenue	A-B				
Other Operating Revenue	С				
Total Operating Revenue	A-B+C				
Operating Expenses					
Salaries	D*				
Supplies	D**				
Total Operating Expenses	D*+D**				

If Operating Margin is positive, then there is rationale for supporting program.

Op. Margin = (Tot. Op. Revenue – Tot. Op. Expenses) ÷ Tot. Op. Expenses



Using urological assumptions alone, the operating margin for the Children's National pro forma was 4% in year 1 and grew every year thereafter.

Result:

1 Nurse Practitioner
1 Registered Nurse
1 Administrative Assistant

"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.

## **Thank You!**



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