ETHANSAND EMERGENCY TELE-HEALTH + NAVIGATION

Houston Fire Department

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HOUSTON, WE HAVE A PROBLEM









PATIENT ACUITY

- Increasing number of "walking well"
- Unnecessary transports
- Repeat offenders
- Primary Care Related (PCR) visits

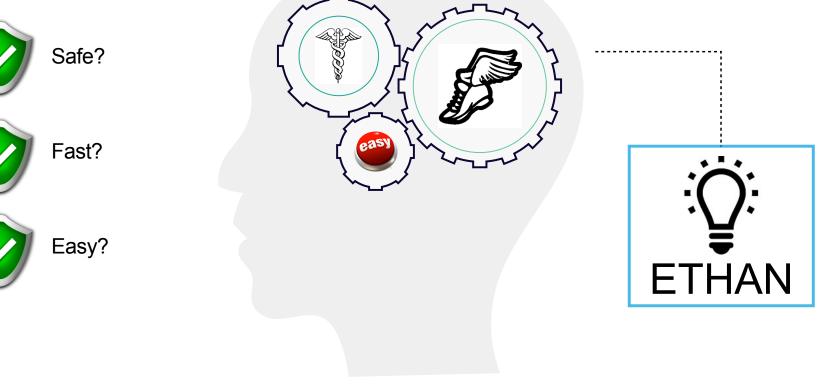
ER OVERCROWDING Not a new problem	1 Long Wait Times		2 Overuse
		3 Funding	
	4 Lack of Alternatives		5 Poor Throughput





EMERGENCY TELE-HEALTH + NAVIGATION

Is there a better way?





ETHAN OPERATIONS

Who is ETHAN?









Field Units

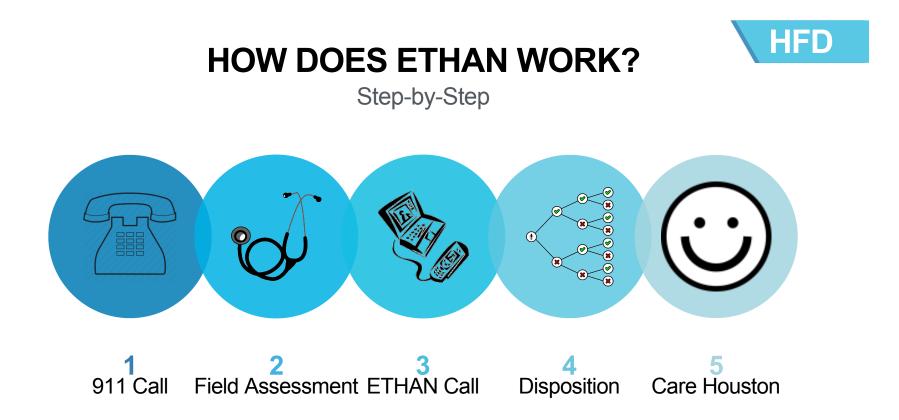
Physicians

Care Houston

Primary Care

ETHAN is a partnership





-1-911 Call



PATIENT CALLS 911

911 Operator

Unit Dispatch



-2-FIELD ASSESSMENT



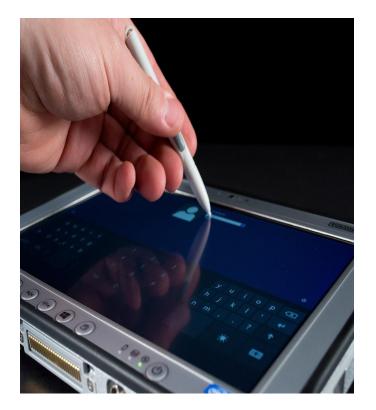


- Focused history & physical
- Record patient demographics
- Document vital signs
- Review inclusion/exclusion criteria





Initiated from the Field Device



STEPS

- Transfer the record in EMR
- Contact ETHAN physician
- Provide the Incident number, if necessary
- Remain close to patient

-4-ASSESSMENT AND DISPOSITION



via Telepresence



- Physician speaks directly with patient
- Crew remains nearby
- Possible disposition
 - Clinic appt by cab
 - Clinic appt by POV
 - Home Care
 - Transport to ER
 - ER by Taxi

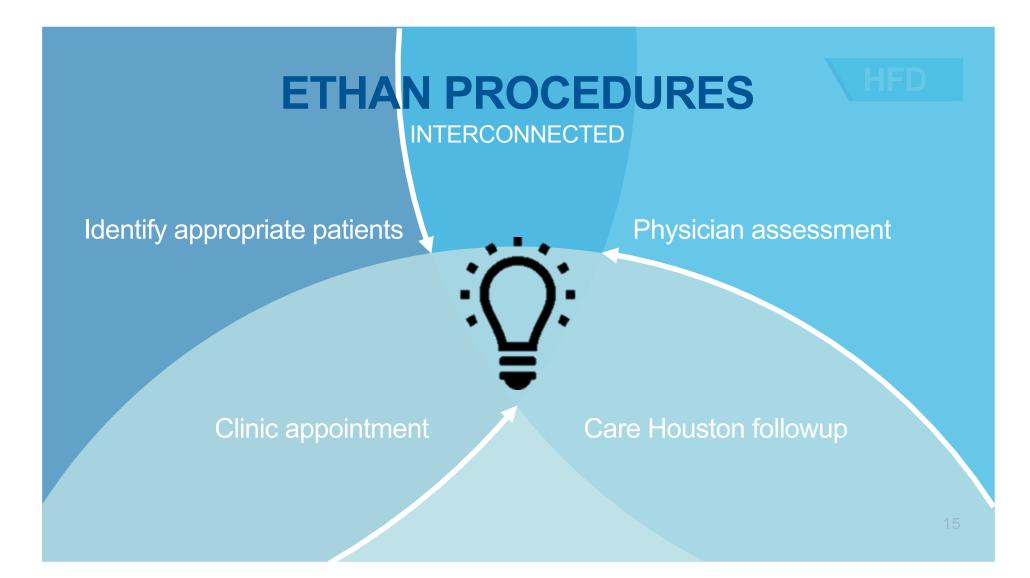




Followup and Aftercare

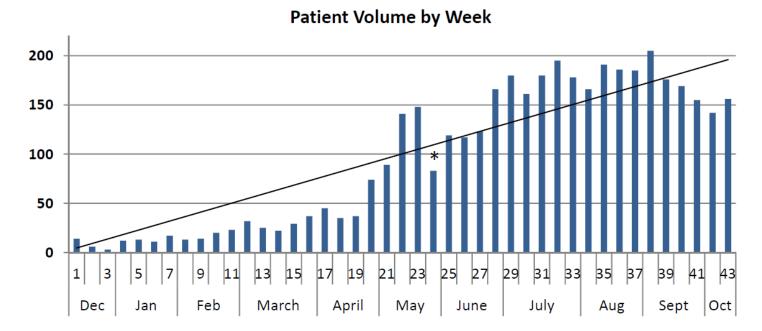
- Healthcare Navigator
- Social Needs
- Establish Medical Home
- Prevent future 911 calls?











* Memorial Day Holiday and major floods





ETHAN Disposition	# Patients	%
Patient Declined Referral - Cab to ER	2,306	56%
Referral to ER (Transport)	779	19%
Referral to ETHAN Clinic Partner	391	10%
Referral to Patient PCP/Home Care	308	8%
Unable to Complete Due to Technical Issues	68	2%
Other	243	6%
Grand Total	4,095	100%



QUESTIONS?

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