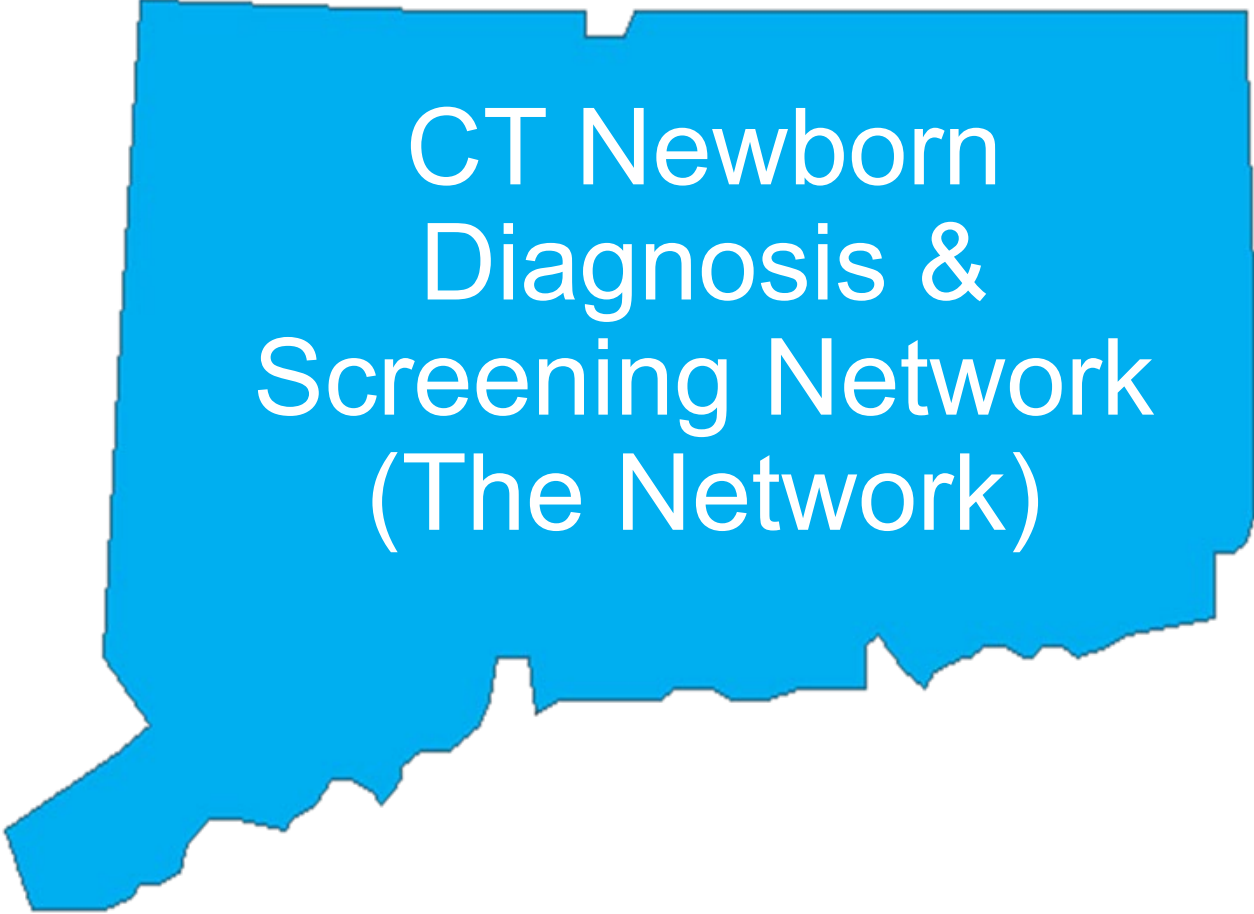


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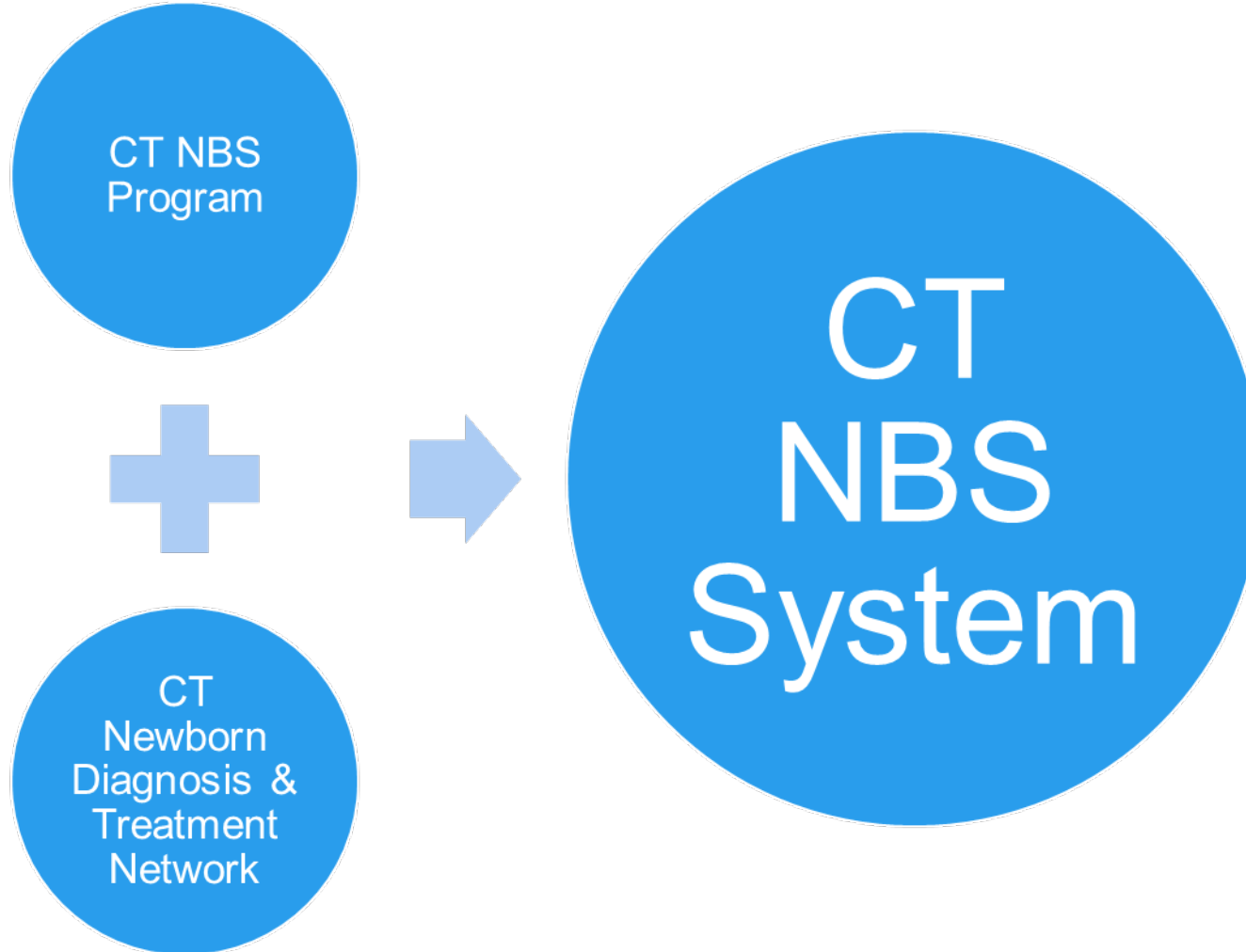
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# CT NBS System



# Proposed Project

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## **Develop a telehealth system to:**

- Increase access to healthcare
- Support families in the pre-diagnosis phase

## **Incorporate the Family Voice :**

- Build and train a Family Advisory Group
  - In partnership with PATH CT:

# Primary Outcomes

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Use telehealth platform to:

- *expand access*
- *increase equity*
- *decrease time in pre-diagnosis phase*
- *reduce the stress families experience*

# Accomplishments



- **Telehealth system**

- The Network (previously a virtual department) was turned into a 'schedulable' department in our EHR (Epic).
  - Including an intake visit questionnaire for GC visits
  - Parents/guardians can fill out via 'My Chart' prior to appt
- Started offering telehealth visits end of March 2021.
- HCPs can make referrals via Epic and families can call to schedule.

# Accomplishments



- Created a **Letter of Invitation** for No Cost Genetic Counseling
  - Will start with a focus on the sickle cell disease population
    - Consulted with Health Equity Solutions, Inc. for culturally appropriate input
- Created a **strong partnership with PATH CT**
- Created a **Family Advisory Group**
  - The Network staff had cultural diversity training

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