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PEM

Past – Present – Future: Lithuanian landscape

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Pediatric emergency care

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Where and who
we are?





Data from Annual report

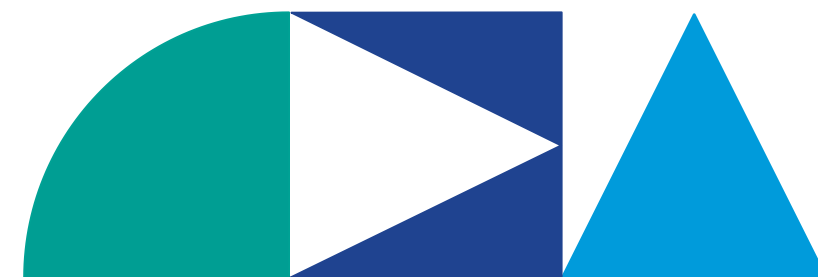


7 556
Employees

2 128
Physicians
(incl. residents)

2 391
Nursing
specialists

2 233
Hospital
beds



1 465 063
Outpatient
visits

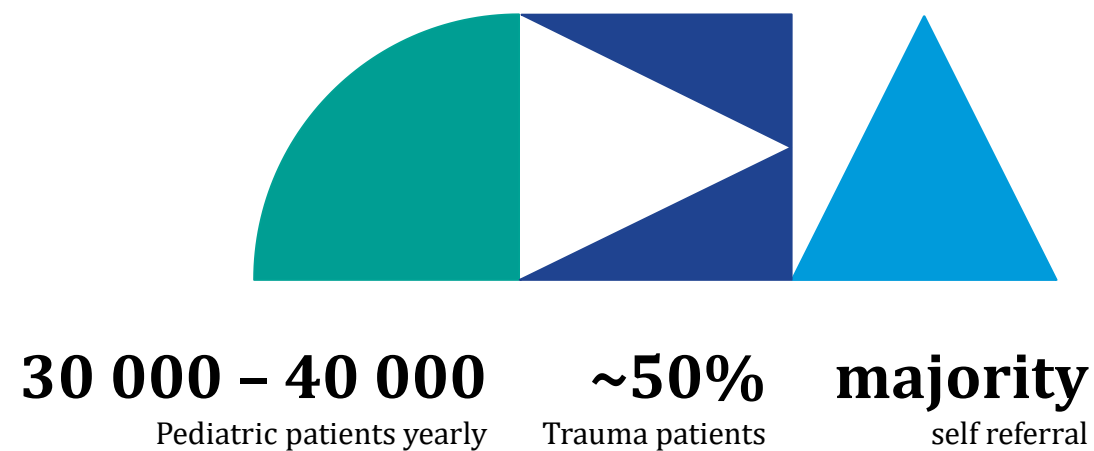
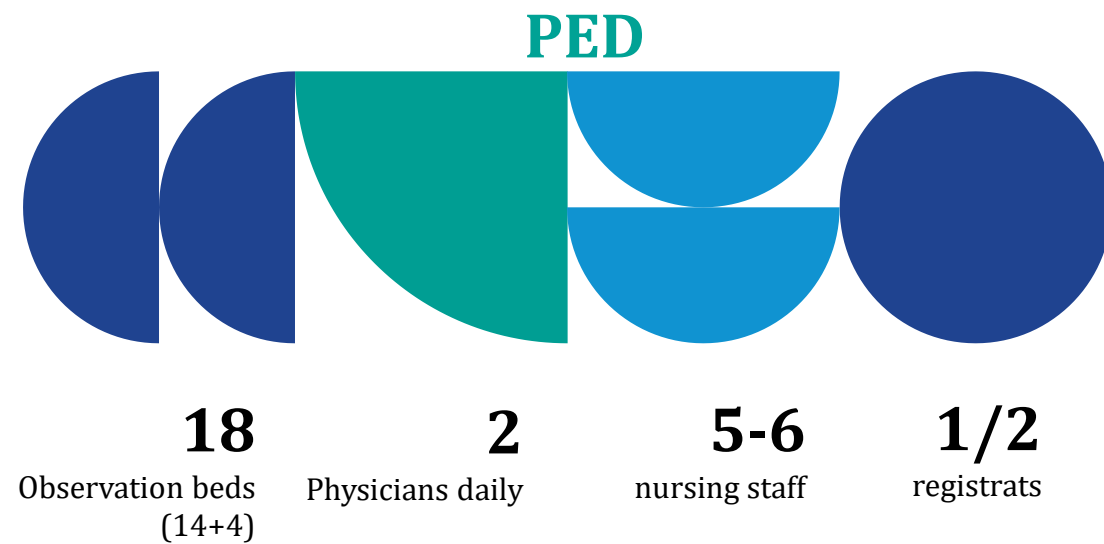
97 096
Inpatient
admissions

77 444
Surgeries



Trauma and emergency care center

Separate Adult and pediatric emergency departments





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The landscape of PED





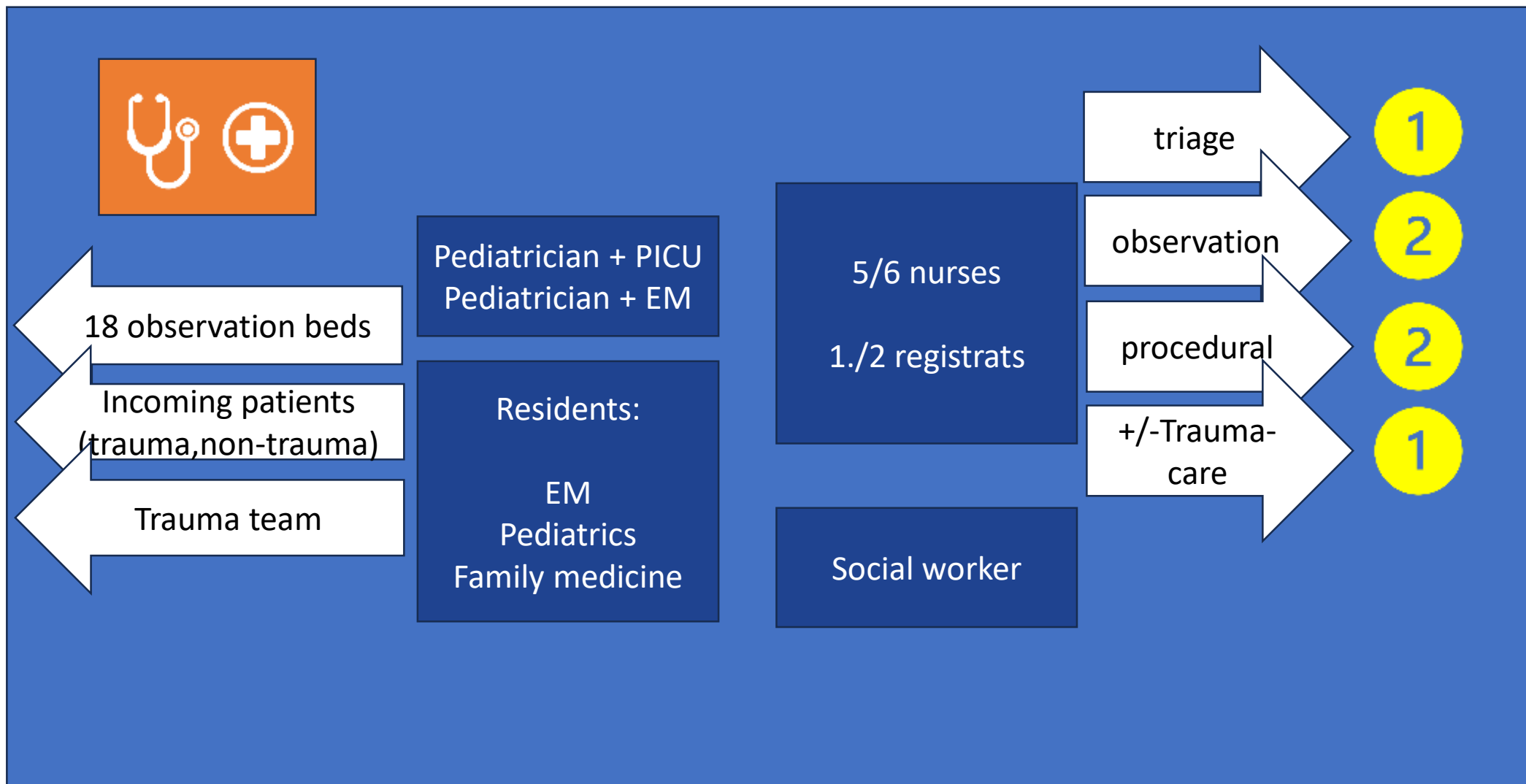
Majority:

**Pediatric department+basic
emergency care 24/7**

Other:

**Primary care within working
hours**

Shift: deconstruction



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Weekdays from 18:00
Weekends/vacay

Pediatrician + PICU
Pediatrician + EM

Consultation of 2
pediatric departments

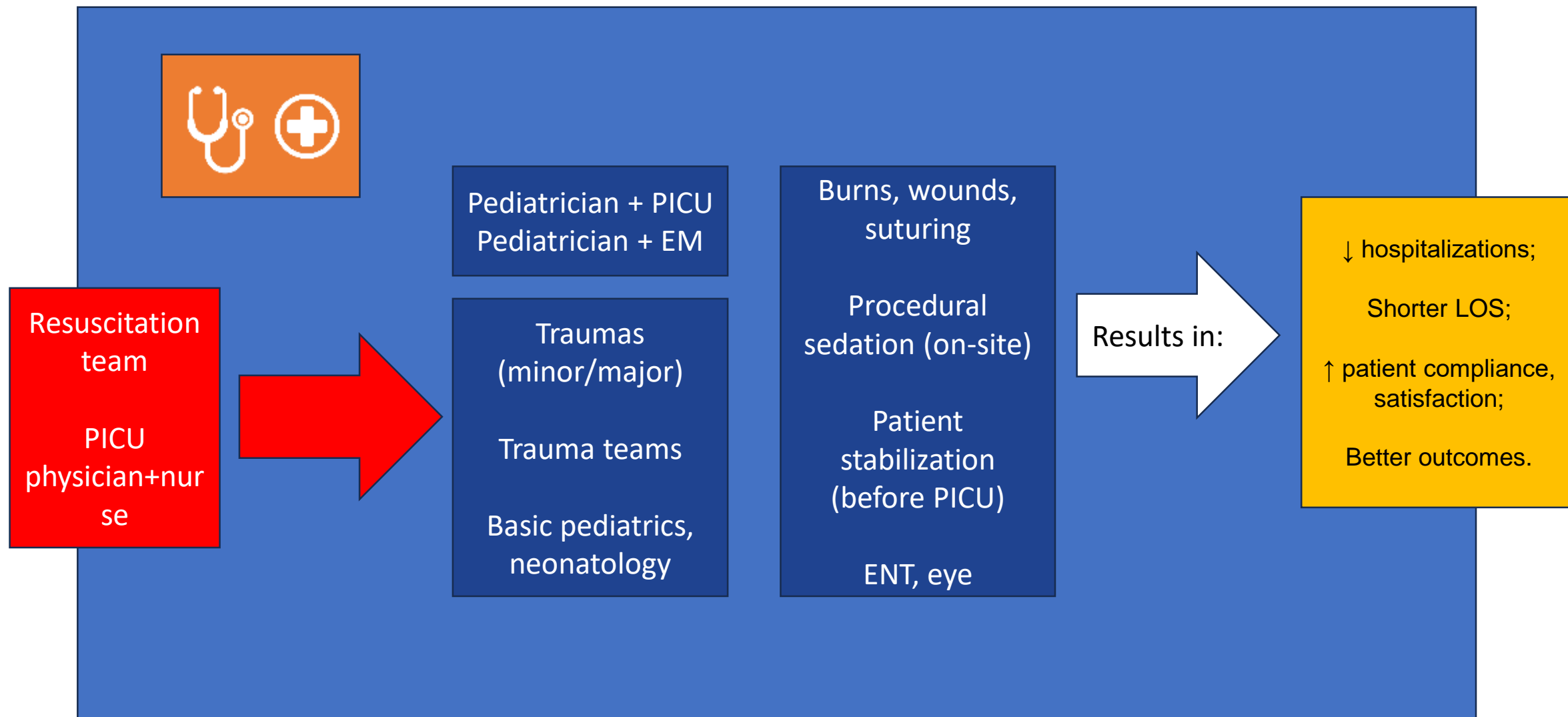
Pediatric consultant



1 or 2 pediatric
residents

ENT
Pediatric surgery
trauma
Endocrinology
Rehabilitation etc.

Why?





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So, who and how?



Referral



Pediatrician + PICU
Pediatrician + EM

Residents:

EM
Pediatrics
Family medicine

Other hospitals

Primary care

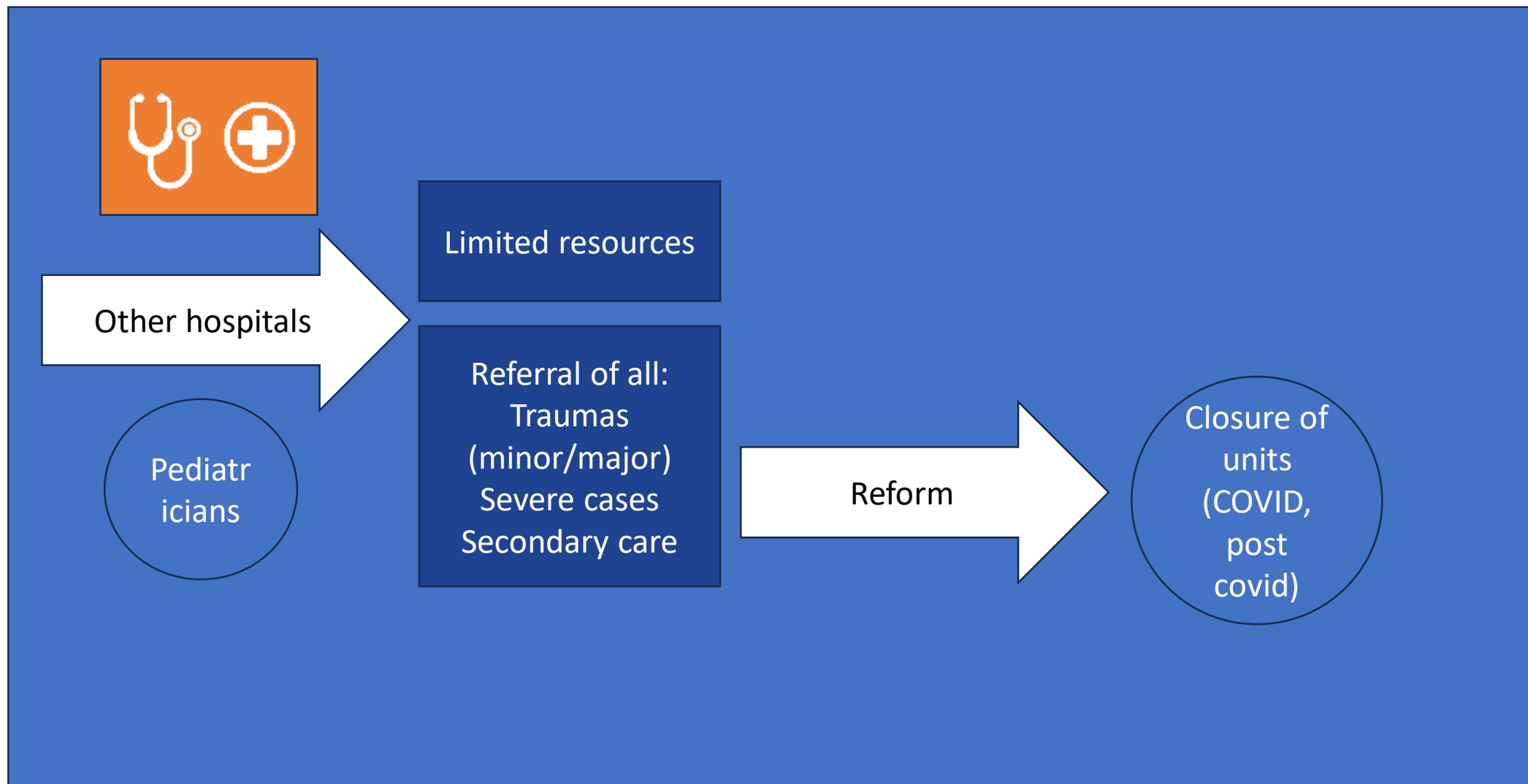
Self-referral

Pediatr
icians

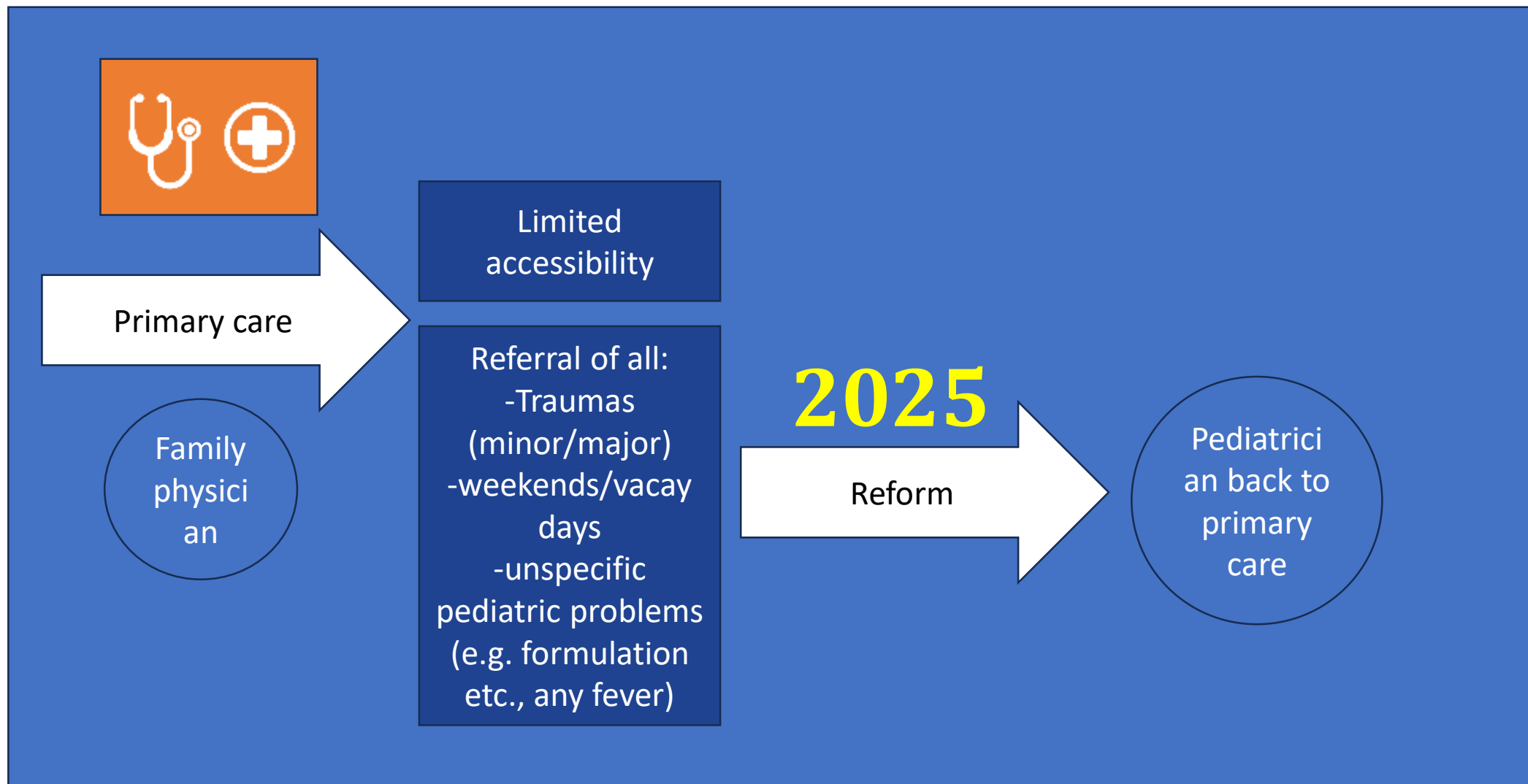
Family
physici
ans

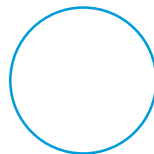
Diff
issues

Referral



Referral





Referral



Self-referral

Public insurance
(no charge policy)

No access to
primary care

No functioning
departments

Teleconsultations
(lack of live follow-
up)

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Reform

5th
category of
urgency
(not
urgent)

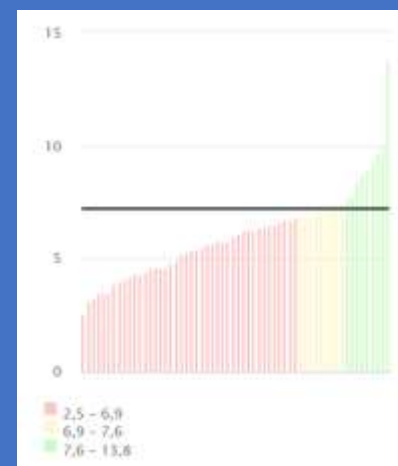
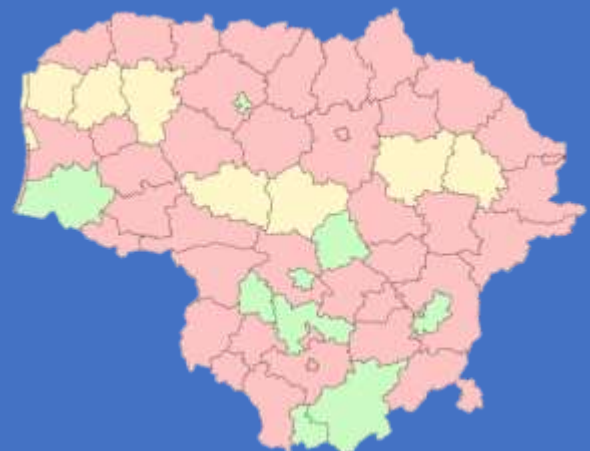
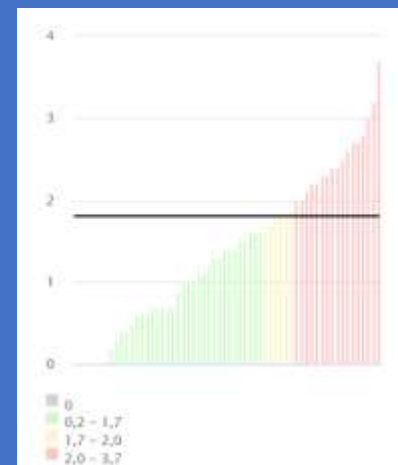
Access



Pediatricians 1.8/10 000

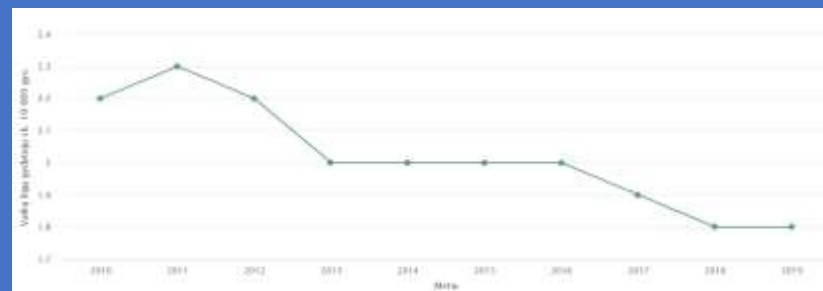
Family physicians 7.2/10 000

Emergency
physicians
– no data





Pediatric patients
in PED



Decrease in
pediatricians

Lack of emergency
physicians



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What about the
future?



What's in the future?



Do we need PEM?



Lot of procedures on-site;
Care for any pediatric age patients;
↓ hospitalizations;
Shorter LOS;
Better outcomes;
Less referral to diff. settings;
↑ patient compliance, satisfaction

Pediatrician

Pediatrician + PICU

Emergency physician

Family physician

4 years

6 years

5 years
(1 year pediatrics)

4 years
(6mo pediatrics)

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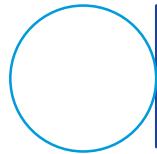
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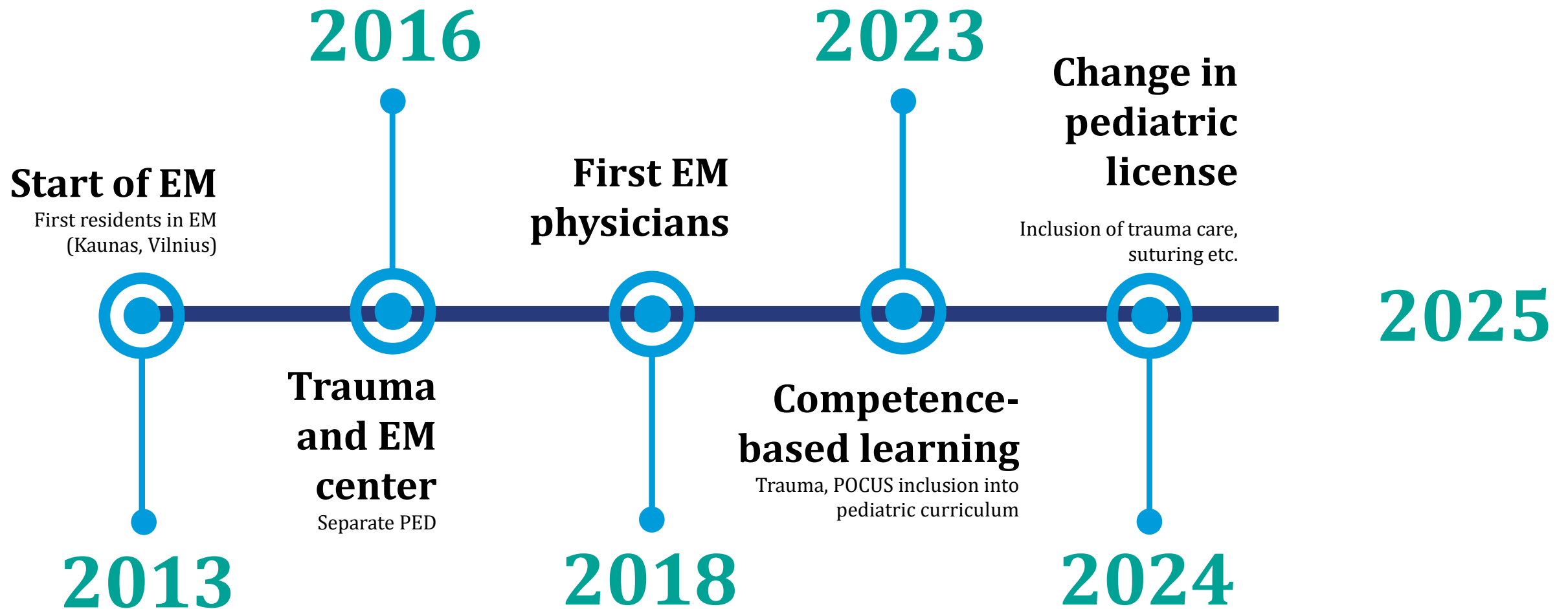
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Extension of EM pediatric competences

Extension of pediatricians' EM competences



History and following story





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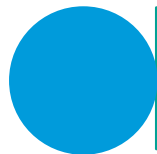
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PED



Registration



short-stay



Isolation room



long-stay

PED team in action



Shock room



PED team