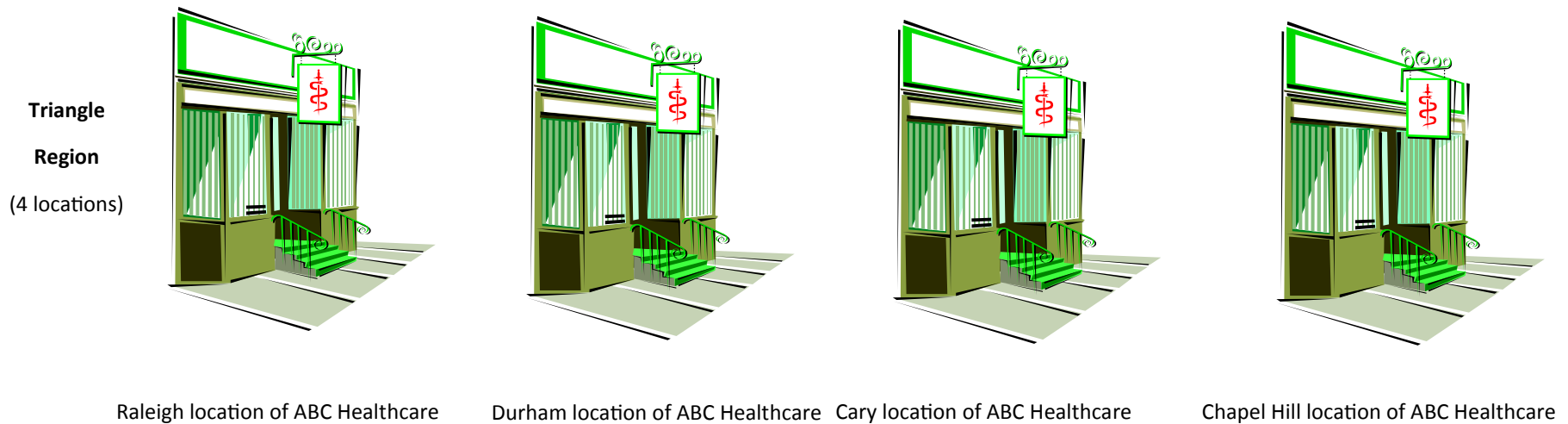


# Group Methodology for Patient Volume Reporting

'**Group**' means one or more eligible professionals practicing together at one practice location or at multiple practice locations within a logical geographical region under the same healthcare organization.

**At several practice locations in the same town, city, region or part of the state...**



If Dr. Jones chooses group methodology and defines the group so that it consists of the practice locations within a logical geographical region (the Triangle Region), she must attest using the encounters from EVERY professional (eligible professionals such as MDs and non-eligible professionals such as RNs, phlebotomists, etc.) at the locations within her defined region who provided services the group's chosen consecutive 90-day reporting period. Please note, EPs are required to report on at least one location with certified EHR technology.

In other words, if an eligible professional defines the group so that it consists of the practices within a logical geographical region, every professional's encounters within the practice locations in this region must be accounted for when calculating patient volume.