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Republicans Slash Funds to Increase Healthcare Access: Communities Lose More than \$158 Million This Year Alone

Today, 46.6 million Americans, including 8 million children, are without health insurance – 6.8 million more than when President Bush took office.

While Democrats have been fighting to expand healthcare access and reduce costs, Congressional Republicans launched an all-out assault on efforts to bring even the most basic healthcare to millions of America families and children who are without coverage.

Since 2003, Republicans in Congress have cut efforts to expand healthcare access to the uninsured by \$919 million or 12 percent in terms of inflation-adjusted purchasing power. Last year alone, they completely eliminated or deeply cut programs that improve access to healthcare and increase the number of doctors and nurses working in underserved areas – more than \$158 million in all.

The Republican healthcare cuts are causing communities across America to lose grants that helps fill the gaps in our healthcare system and ensure that those who cannot afford medical insurance have access to the services they deserve. A large number of ongoing projects are being abruptly and prematurely terminated. And Republicans are planning even deeper healthcare cuts on top of last year's.

This fact sheet reveals the impact of the Republican healthcare cuts on just a handful of programs and provides a list of communities and institutions impacted.*

Healthy Communities Access Program Eliminated

The Healthy Communities Access Program (HCAP) helped community health centers, hospitals, public health departments and other providers band together and coordinate their services so uninsured or underinsured Americans could find affordable healthcare. In FY 2003 alone, HCAP grants helped establish 22 new and 12 expanded community clinics serving over 47,000 patients. Over that same period of time, CAP grantees also assisted 250,000 people to obtain affordable prescription drugs, and directed 185,000 people to a primary care provider.

The FY 2006 Labor-Health and Human Services-Education (LHHS) bill eliminated all funding for HCAP (which had received \$83 million the year before) and neither the House nor the Senate versions of the FY 2007 bill restore any funds to HCAP. As a result, 68 grants are being terminated after only one or two years instead of the promised three years with the possibility of a fourth.

Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP) Slashed by 89 Percent

The Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP) creates a pipeline for students from minority and disadvantaged backgrounds to enter and complete studies in health professions. Evidence shows that minority health professionals are more likely to practice in minority and underserved communities. So,

* Since all of these programs normally make grants for three-year periods (subject to the availability of annual appropriations) many of the grants listed will be terminated prematurely. Even where grants would normally expire in FY 2006 the grantees would have been eligible to compete for renewal of their funding. For the Healthy Communities Access Program (HCAP), the one program covered here that does not allow competitive renewal after the initial grant term, only those grants that were scheduled to continue into FY 2006 or FY 2007 are listed.

by bringing minority and disadvantaged students into health fields, HCOP also helps bring more doctors, nurses, dentists, and pharmacists into neighborhoods that desperately need their services in order to increase access and reduce health disparities. In just FY 2005, HCOP helped 3,400 secondary school students, 7,500 college and university students, and 1,500 graduate students in health professions schools.

Republicans cut HCOP from \$36 million to just \$4 million in last year's LHHS bill. The FY 2007 House bill would eliminate funding for the program altogether. Most HCOP grantees lost their grants this year and the remaining grants will be shut down in FY 2007. Meanwhile, several minority groups remain underrepresented in health professions, a fact that contributes to disparities in healthcare access. African-Americans, Hispanics and Native Americans constitute 26 percent of the U.S. population, yet only 10 percent of physicians, 7 percent of dentists, and 9 percent of pharmacists in the U.S.

Centers of Excellence in Health Professions Diversity Cut by Almost Two-Thirds

The Centers of Excellence in Health Professions Diversity program is also aimed at increasing the number of minorities in health professions, but also assists with faculty recruitment and retention, minority health research, and clinical training opportunities in low-income areas. It provides grants to schools with strong records of serving minority students to help them strengthen their ability to do so.

Republicans cut the Centers of Excellence program from \$34 million to only \$12 million in the FY 2006 LHHS bill. The FY 2007 bills pending in the House and Senate continue the program at \$12 million. In FY 2005, there were 34 Centers of Excellence grantees. In FY 2006, the program has been reduced to just four grantees[†]. The FY 2007 House and Senate bills would continue to fund only these four schools.

Quentin N. Burdick Program for Rural Interdisciplinary Training Eliminated

The Burdick rural interdisciplinary training program's focus was improving healthcare access in rural America. Its grants increased recruitment and retention of rural health providers and encouraged doctors and nurses to practice in these areas. According to one survey, more than 50 percent of the graduates of Burdick interdisciplinary training programs were still working in rural or frontier areas three years later. In FY 2005, 831 health professions students and rural practitioners received training under these grants.

The Burdick program received \$6 million in the FY 2005 LHHS bill and funded 19 grants. Last year, Republicans eliminated all funding for the program in the FY 2006 LHHS bill.

Health Education and Training Centers Eliminated

Health Education and Training Centers (HETCs) are designed to improve health care in seriously underserved areas, including the U.S.-Mexico border region, primarily by recruiting and training health professionals, providing assistance to local practitioners and promoting community health education. In FY 2005 alone, the program helped train 600 local residents as community health workers, bring 300 local practitioners or health professions students to train in public health in a medically underserved area, and offer 7,500 elementary and high school students health professions career activities.

[†] Four institutions are designated for the first \$12 million under the applicable authorizing law.

In FY 2005, 11 HETCs received funding, including five along the southern border and in Florida.[‡] The FY 2006 LHHS bill provided no funds for HETCs. Neither the House nor the Senate version of the FY 2007 bill restores any part of that cut. Therefore, the 11 HETCs have lost federal support as of the end of FY 2005.

Allied Health Professions Training Programs Cut by Two-Thirds

The Allied Health Professions program made grants to assist with establishing or expanding programs for training in fields such as physical therapy, occupational therapy, medical laboratory technology, radiology technology, respiratory therapy, dental hygiene, and various mental and behavioral health professions.

In FY 2005, the Allied Health Professions training program received appropriations totaling \$12 million. The FY 2006 LHHS bill cut that funding to \$4 million, all of which was reserved for grants related to chiropractic or to graduate education in psychology. This left nothing for the other allied health professions programs (including the podiatry program).

[‡] Authorizing law requires that at least half of HETC funds go to border states and Florida.

Healthy Communities Access Program (HCAP)
Communities Losing Grants
Under FY 2006 and FY 2007 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations

State	Lead Grantee	Year Grant Began	FY 2005 Grant Amount
Arizona	Mariposa Community Health Center; Nogales, AZ	FY 2004	\$247,767
<i>Subtotal, Arizona</i>			<i>\$247,767</i>
California	St. Johns Well Child & Family Center; Los Angeles, CA	FY 2005	\$979,344
California	Northern Sierra Rural Health Network; Nevada City, CA	FY 2004	\$621,831
California	Pasadena Public Health Department; Pasadena, CA	FY 2005	\$979,947
California	South of Market Health Center; San Francisco, CA	FY 2005	\$992,413
California	Community Health Partnership; San Jose, CA	FY 2005	\$864,122
California	Health Improvement Partnership of Santa Cruz County; Santa Cruz, CA	FY 2005	\$980,000
<i>Subtotal, California</i>			<i>\$5,417,657</i>
Colorado	Peak Vista Community Health Centers; Colorado Springs, CO	FY 2005	\$1,134,000
Colorado	Clinica Campesina Rural Health Clinic; Lafayette, CO	FY 2004	\$686,371
<i>Subtotal, Colorado</i>			<i>\$1,820,371</i>
Connecticut	Ledge Light Health District; Groton, CT	FY 2004	\$652,781
Connecticut	Community Health Services; Hartford, CT	FY 2005	\$980,000
<i>Subtotal, Connecticut</i>			<i>\$1,632,781</i>
Florida	Polk County Board of County Commissioners; Bartow, FL	FY 2004	\$632,499
Florida	JaxCare; Jacksonville, FL	FY 2005	\$993,468
Florida	Community Vision, Kissimmee, FL	FY 2004	\$696,615
Florida	Jackson Memorial Foundation; Miami, FL	FY 2005	\$1,416,419
Florida	Sacred Heart Health System; Pensacola, FL	FY 2005	\$980,000
Florida	Lake County Board of County Commissioners; Tavares, FL	FY 2004	\$709,615
Florida	Palm Beach County Health Care District; West Palm Beach, FL	FY 2004	\$690,033
<i>Subtotal, Florida</i>			<i>\$6,118,649</i>
Georgia	Health Care Central Georgia; Forsyth, GA	FY 2004	\$699,299
Georgia	Health Access Initiative; Gainesville, GA	FY 2005	\$412,083
Georgia	Georgia Hospital Association Research & Education Foundation; Marietta, GA	FY 2004	\$845,400
<i>Subtotal, Georgia</i>			<i>\$1,956,782</i>
Idaho	Family Practice Residency of Idaho; Boise, ID	FY 2004	\$644,169
<i>Subtotal, Idaho</i>			<i>\$644,169</i>
Illinois	Kane County Health Department; Aurora, IL	FY 2004	\$819,875
Illinois	University of Chicago Hospitals & Health Systems; Chicago, IL	FY 2004	\$629,580
Illinois	Southern Illinois Health Care Foundation; East St. Louis, IL	FY 2004	\$622,790

Illinois	West Suburban Hospital; Oak Park, IL	FY 2005	\$1,070,767
Subtotal, Illinois			\$3,143,012
Kentucky	Kentucky River Foothills Development Council; Richmond, KY	FY 2005	\$975,841
Subtotal, Kentucky			\$975,841
Louisiana	Associated Catholic Charities of New Orleans; New Orleans, LA	FY 2004	\$834,481
Louisiana	Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center; New Orleans, LA	FY 2004	\$840,000
Louisiana	Pointe Coupee Parish Hospital; New Roads, LA	FY 2004	\$617,877
Subtotal, Louisiana			\$2,292,358
Maine	Franklin Community Health Network; Farmington, ME	FY 2005	\$997,360
Subtotal, Maine			\$997,360
Maryland	Baltimore City Health Department; Baltimore, MD	FY 2004	\$730,333
Subtotal, Maryland			\$730,333
Massachusetts	Community Health Connections; Fitchburg, MA	FY 2004	\$638,154
Massachusetts	Children's Health Program, Inc.; Great Barrington, MA	FY 2005	\$999,924
Subtotal, Massachusetts			\$1,638,078
Michigan	Cherry Street Services; Grand Rapids, MI	FY 2004	\$717,319
Michigan	Michigan Health & Hospital Association Center for Health Resources; Lansing, MI	FY 2005	\$980,000
Michigan	Catholic Social Services of the Upper Peninsula; Marquette, MI	FY 2004	\$840,000
Subtotal, Michigan			\$2,537,319
Minnesota	Generations Health Care Initiatives; Duluth, MN	FY 2004	\$659,680
Subtotal, Minnesota			\$659,680
Montana	Saint Vincent Healthcare Foundation; Billings, MT	FY 2005	\$987,129
Montana	Hill County Health Department; Havre, MT	FY 2005	\$980,000
Subtotal, Montana			\$1,967,129
Nevada	Great Basin Primary Care Association; Carson City, NV	FY 2004	\$745,395
Subtotal, Nevada			\$745,395
New Hampshire	Community Health Access Network; Raymond, NH	FY 2004	\$566,127
Subtotal, New Hampshire			\$566,127
New Mexico	Community Action Agency of Southern New Mexico; Las Cruces, NM	FY 2005	\$1,029,105
Subtotal, New Mexico			\$1,029,105
New York	Southside Hospital; Bay Shore, NY	FY 2005	\$1,196,949
New York	Brooklyn Comprehensive Perinatal Network; Brooklyn, NY	FY 2005	\$1,122,160
New York	Columbia University, School of Arts & Sciences; New York, NY	FY 2004	\$730,467
New York	New York Public Health Fund; New York, NY	FY 2005	\$1,043,504
Subtotal, New York			\$4,093,080
North Carolina	Partnership for Health; Hendersonville, NC	FY 2004	\$567,179
North Carolina	AccessCare; Morrisville, NC	FY 2005	\$1,197,734

<i>Subtotal, North Carolina</i>			<i>\$1,764,913</i>
Ohio	Greater Dayton Area Hospital Information Network; Dayton, OH	FY 2005	\$769,700
Ohio	Summit Combined General Health District; Stow, OH	FY 2004	\$537,707
<i>Subtotal, Ohio</i>			<i>\$1,307,407</i>
Oklahoma	Central Oklahoma Integrated Network System; Oklahoma City, OK	FY 2004	\$348,625
<i>Subtotal, Oklahoma</i>			<i>\$348,625</i>
Oregon	United Way of Lane County; Eugene, OR	FY 2005	\$1,005,540
Oregon	Tri-County Health Care Safety Net Enterprise; Portland, OR	FY 2004	\$387,985
<i>Subtotal, Oregon</i>			<i>\$1,393,525</i>
Pennsylvania	Hamilton Health Center; Harrisburg, PA	FY 2004	\$949,602
<i>Subtotal, Pennsylvania</i>			<i>\$949,602</i>
South Carolina	Palmetto Project; Charleston, SC	FY 2005	\$1,189,191
South Carolina	Fairfield Memorial Hospital; Greenbrier, SC	FY 2004	\$655,736
<i>Subtotal, South Carolina</i>			<i>\$1,844,927</i>
Tennessee	Le Bonheur Community Outreach; Memphis, TN	FY 2005	\$964,180
<i>Subtotal, Tennessee</i>			<i>\$964,180</i>
Texas	Southeast Texas Health System; Goliad, TX	FY 2005	\$982,586
Texas	East Texas Access Network; Jasper, TX	FY 2005	\$979,192
Texas	Centro del Barrio; San Antonio, TX	FY 2005	\$958,453
Texas	Gulf Coast Center; Texas City, TX	FY 2005	\$956,494
<i>Subtotal, Texas</i>			<i>\$3,876,725</i>
Virgin Islands	Virgin Islands Perinatal; Frederiksted, VI	FY 2004	\$629,875
<i>Subtotal, Virgin Islands</i>			<i>\$629,875</i>
Virginia	Alexandria Hospital; Alexandria, VA	FY 2004	\$657,939
<i>Subtotal, Virginia</i>			<i>\$657,939</i>
Washington	Lourdes Health Network; Pasco, WA	FY 2004	\$698,221
Washington	Washington Dental Service Foundation; Seattle, WA	FY 2004	\$646,302
Washington	Yakima County Department of Community Services; Yakima, WA	FY 2005	\$504,768
<i>Subtotal, Washington</i>			<i>\$1,849,291</i>
West Virginia	Mid Ohio Valley Rural Health Alliance; Parkersburg, WV	FY 2004	\$583,315
<i>Subtotal, West Virginia</i>			<i>\$583,315</i>
TOTAL (68 grants, in 32 states & territories)			\$55,383,317

HCAP grants were awarded for three-year project periods, so grants initially made in FY 2004 would normally continue through FY 2006 and grants initially made in FY 2005 would normally continue through FY 2007. Further, grantees were allowed to apply for a fourth year of funding if they could demonstrate unusual circumstances. However, under the FY 2006 and FY 2007 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations bills, all the above grants were prematurely terminated in FY 2006.

Examples of projects undertaken with HCAP grants include:

- Creating shared enrollment systems to keep track of patient information, determine eligibility for public or other health care assistance programs and help patients enroll in programs for which they are eligible so that this function does not need to be duplicated by each individual clinic or provider;
- Creating systems for making referrals and sharing medical records among safety net providers, to improve quality and continuity of care and reduce duplication of diagnostic tests and procedures;
- Establishing centralized systems to help patients gain access to free or reduced-price medications under plans sponsored by drug companies or by state or local governments so that each clinic or provider doesn't need to become familiar with all these drug plans;
- Facilitating free or low-cost care for uninsured patients by doctors, dentists and other practitioners (especially specialists) by recruiting providers and making appropriate referrals;
- Reducing unnecessary use of hospital emergency rooms by helping link uninsured patients with other "medical homes" for ongoing care;
- Providing "patient navigator" and case management services to help people with chronic conditions like diabetes or asthma or co-occurring problems like substance abuse better and more efficiently gain access to the care they need; and,
- Identifying and filling gaps in local health care services, such as by organizing and applying for funding for a new community health center or recruiting National Health Service Corps clinicians. (In addition, limited amounts of HCAP grant funds—no more than 15 percent—can be used to directly support these gap-filling patient care services.)

Health Careers Opportunities Program (HCOP)

Institutions Losing Grants* (including opportunity for grant renewal)

Under FY 2006 and FY 2007 (House) Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations

State	Lead Grantee	FY 2005 Grant Amount
Alabama	Alabama State University; Montgomery, AL	\$535,089
Alabama	Alabama A&M University; Normal, AL	\$654,260
Alabama	Tuskegee University; Tuskegee AL	\$501,501
<i>Subtotal, Alabama</i>		<i>\$1,690,850</i>
Alaska	University of Alaska, Anchorage	\$149,063
<i>Subtotal, Alaska</i>		<i>\$149,063</i>
Arkansas	University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences; Little Rock, AR	\$419,278
<i>Subtotal, Arkansas</i>		<i>\$419,278</i>
California	University of California, San Diego	\$805,491
California	California State University, Los Angeles	\$412,941
California	University of California, San Francisco	\$1,125,218
California	Stanford University; Stanford, CA	\$620,655

<i>Subtotal, California</i>		<i>\$2,964,305</i>
Connecticut	University of Connecticut Health Center; Farmington, CT	\$673,795
<i>Subtotal, Connecticut</i>		<i>\$673,795</i>
D.C.	Howard University; Washington, DC	\$875,810
<i>Subtotal, District of Columbia</i>		<i>\$875,810</i>
Florida	University of Miami; Coral Gables, FL	\$348,069
Florida	Bethune-Cookman College; Daytona Beach, FL	\$460,218
Florida	Santa Fe Community College; Gainesville, FL	\$251,287
Florida	Florida International University; Miami, FL	\$183,809
Florida	Florida A&M University; Tallahassee, FL	\$475,543
<i>Subtotal, Florida</i>		<i>\$1,718,926</i>
Georgia	Albany State University; Albany, GA	\$368,640
Georgia	Morehouse School of Medicine; Atlanta, GA	\$509,702
Georgia	Medical College of Georgia; Augusta, GA	\$246,239
<i>Subtotal, Georgia</i>		<i>\$1,124,581</i>
Illinois	University of Illinois at Chicago	\$661,745
<i>Subtotal, Illinois</i>		<i>\$661,745</i>
Kansas	University of Kansas Medical Center; Kansas City, KS	\$819,412
<i>Subtotal, Kansas</i>		<i>\$819,412</i>
Kentucky	University of Kentucky; Lexington, KY	\$363,943
Kentucky	Eastern Kentucky University; Richmond, KY	\$313,376
<i>Subtotal, Kentucky</i>		<i>\$677,319</i>
Louisiana	LSU Health Sciences Center; New Orleans, LA	\$486,974
<i>Subtotal, Louisiana</i>		<i>\$486,974</i>
Maryland	Morgan State University; Baltimore, MD	\$499,524
<i>Subtotal, Maryland</i>		<i>\$499,524</i>
Massachusetts	Middlesex Community College; Bedford, MA	\$118,183
Massachusetts	Tufts University; Boston, MA	\$490,326
<i>Subtotal, Massachusetts</i>		<i>\$608,509</i>
Michigan	University of Michigan; Ann Arbor, MI	\$348,362
Michigan	University of Michigan; Ann Arbor, MI	\$298,424
Michigan	Wayne State University; Detroit, MI	\$483,760
Michigan	Michigan State University; East Lansing, MI	\$505,810
Michigan	Michigan State University; East Lansing, MI	\$876,827
<i>Subtotal, Michigan</i>		<i>\$2,513,183</i>
Minnesota	University of Minnesota, Duluth School of Medicine	\$358,294
<i>Subtotal, Minnesota</i>		<i>\$358,294</i>
Montana	University of Montana; Missoula, MT	\$305,582

Montana	University of Montana: Missoula, MT	\$677,935
Subtotal, Montana		\$983,517
Nebraska	Creighton University: Omaha, NE	\$482,478
Subtotal, Nebraska		\$482,478
New Jersey	Camden County College: Blackwood, NJ	\$139,578
New Jersey	UMDNJ, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School: New Brunswick, NJ	\$684,528
New Jersey	Bergen Community College: Paramus, NJ	\$267,963
Subtotal, New Jersey		\$1,092,069
New Mexico	University of New Mexico: Albuquerque, NM	\$484,573
Subtotal, New Mexico		\$484,573
New York	Arthur Ashe Institute for Urban Health; Brooklyn, NY	\$150,212
New York	Central New York Area Health Education Center; Cortland, NY	\$249,288
New York	Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University; Bronx, NY	\$326,137
New York	Mt. Sinai School of Medicine: New York, NY	\$354,508
New York	Erie Community College North Campus: Orchard Park, NY	\$336,353
New York	SUNY, College of Environmental Science and Forestry; Syracuse, NY	\$446,636
Subtotal, New York		\$1,863,134
North Carolina	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	\$664,810
North Carolina	University of North Carolina at Pembroke	\$317,080
North Carolina	St. Augustine's College; Raleigh, NC	\$350,324
North Carolina	Winston-Salem State University; Winston-Salem, NC	\$382,272
Subtotal, North Carolina		\$1,714,486
North Dakota	Turtle Mountain Community College; Belcourt, ND	\$285,730
North Dakota	University of North Dakota: Grand Forks, ND	\$612,404
Subtotal, North Dakota		\$898,134
Ohio	Ohio University: Athens, OH	\$547,969
Ohio	Cincinnati State Technical and Community College; Cincinnati, OH	\$205,218
Subtotal, Ohio		\$753,187
Oklahoma	Association of American Indian Physicians: Oklahoma City, OK	\$482,170
Subtotal, Oklahoma		\$482,170
Oregon	Oregon Health and Science University: Portland, OR	\$330,019
Oregon	Columbia Willamette Area Health Education Center; Tualatin, OR	\$354,521
Subtotal, Oregon		\$684,540
Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania College of Optometry; Elkins Park, PA	\$149,567
Pennsylvania	Drexel University; Philadelphia, PA	\$405,962
Subtotal, Pennsylvania		\$555,529
Tennessee	East Tennessee State University: Johnson City, TN	\$337,483
Tennessee	University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences: Memphis, TN	\$226,694

Tennessee	Meharry Medical College; Nashville, TN	\$1,440,792
<i>Subtotal, Tennessee</i>		<i>\$2,004,969</i>
Texas	Texas A&M University Research Foundation; College Station, TX	\$633,275
Texas	El Paso Community College; El Paso, TX	\$308,185
Texas	Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center; Lubbock, TX	\$163,259
<i>Subtotal, Texas</i>		<i>\$1,104,719</i>
Utah	Weber State University; Ogden, UT	\$276,374
<i>Subtotal, Utah</i>		<i>\$276,374</i>
Virgin Islands	University of the Virgin Islands; St. Thomas, VI	\$314,347
<i>Subtotal, Virgin Islands</i>		<i>\$314,347</i>
Virginia	Northern Virginia Community College; Annandale, VA	\$343,718
<i>Subtotal, Virginia</i>		<i>\$343,718</i>
Washington	University of Washington; Seattle, WA	\$676,192
Washington	Yakima Valley Farmworkers Clinic; Toppenish, WA	\$159,647
<i>Subtotal, Washington</i>		<i>\$835,839</i>
West Virginia	West Virginia University; Morgantown, WV	\$557,042
<i>Subtotal, West Virginia</i>		<i>\$557,042</i>
Wisconsin	Marquette University; Milwaukee, WI	\$560,548
Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee	\$448,324
<i>Subtotal, Wisconsin</i>		<i>\$1,008,872</i>
TOTAL (73 grants, in 35 states & territories)		\$32,681,265

* Based on the standard three-year grant cycle for this program.

HCOP grants support:

- Programs to interest high school students in health careers and help them better prepare for college and graduate study, through speakers, “shadowing” and internship opportunities, health career clubs, summer math and science academies, after-school and weekend programs, and counseling on college entrance requirements and sources of financial aid;
- Assistance to college students preparing for graduate study, through things like mentoring, tutoring, classes in study skills and test taking, summer programs, and workshops on applying to medical and other professional schools and taking entrance exams; and,
- Help for students studying health professions, including pre-entrance programs to strengthen skills before regular classes begin and counseling and tutoring during the school year.

Descriptions of many of the HCOP grants are available at the following Department of HHS website: <http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/diversity/hcop/04abstracts.htm>. Profiles of student participants in the HCOP and Centers of Excellence program (see below) are available from the Association of American Medical Colleges at <http://www.aamc.org/advocacy/laborrhs/healthprof/profiles.htm>.

Health Professions Diversity: Centers of Excellence
 Institutions Losing Grants* (including opportunity for grant renewal)
 Under FY 2006 and FY 2007 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations

State	Grantee	FY 2005 Grant Amount
Arizona	University of Arizona, College of Medicine; Tucson, AZ	\$500,000
California	Stanford University, School of Medicine; Stanford, CA	\$703,336
California	University of California at Los Angeles, School of Medicine	\$923,658
California	University of California at San Diego, School of Medicine	\$540,080
California	University of California at San Francisco, School of Medicine	\$892,053
<i>Subtotal, California</i>		<i>\$3,059,127</i>
D.C.	Howard University, College of Pharmacy, Nursing and Allied Health Science; Washington, DC	\$582,433
Georgia	Morehouse School of Medicine; Atlanta, GA	\$586,479
Hawaii	University of Hawaii at Manoa, Burns School of Medicine; Honolulu, HI	\$741,029
Illinois	University of Illinois at Chicago, College of Medicine	\$570,841
Kansas	University of Kansas Medical Center; Kansas City, KS	\$1,274,870
Michigan	Michigan State University, College of Human Medicine; East Lansing, MI	\$801,812
Minnesota	University of Minnesota at Duluth, School of Medicine	\$492,077
Montana	University of Montana, School of Pharmacy and Allied Health; Missoula, MT	\$50,632
Nebraska	Creighton University, School of Medicine; Omaha, NE	\$530,014
New Jersey	University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey; Newark, NJ	\$608,065
New Mexico	University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center; Albuquerque, NM	\$632,987
New York	Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University; Bronx, NY	\$562,902
Ohio	Ohio University, College of Osteopathic Medicine; Athens, OH	\$533,684
Oklahoma	University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center; Oklahoma City, OK	\$520,170
Pennsylvania	University of Pennsylvania, School of Medicine; Philadelphia, PA	\$877,217
Puerto Rico	University of Puerto Rico, School of Dentistry; San Juan, PR	\$751,645
Puerto Rico	University of Puerto Rico, School of Medicine; San Juan, PR	\$530,086
<i>Subtotal, Puerto Rico</i>		<i>\$1,281,731</i>
Tennessee	University of Tennessee, College of Pharmacy; Memphis, TN	\$976,339
Texas	Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Office of Border Health; El Paso, TX	\$609,657
Texas	University of Texas at Austin, College of Pharmacy	\$742,635
Texas	University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston	\$392,445
Texas	University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio	\$921,788
Texas	University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, Dept. of Dentistry	\$616,156
Texas	University of Texas Medical Branch; Galveston, TX	\$911,643
<i>Subtotal, Texas</i>		<i>\$4,194,324</i>

Washington	University of Washington, School of Medicine; Seattle, WA	\$484,509
TOTAL (30 grants, in 21 states & territories)		\$19,861,242

* Based on the standard three-year grant cycle for this program.

Authorizing law sets up several categories of eligibility, with the first \$12 million designated for certain Historically Black Colleges & Universities that received grants under a predecessor program. With appropriations now reduced below \$12 million, only that limited group of schools is eligible for grants. The list above represents FY 2005 grantees *not* eligible for the first \$12 million tier of funding, who therefore have lost the opportunity for continuation grants during the remainder of their three-year grant periods and the opportunity to compete for renewal after their grants have expired.

Grants under the Centers for Excellence help:

- Develop a large competitive applicant pool through joint activities with colleges and local school districts;
- Establish or strengthen programs to improve the academic performance of under-represented minority students;
- Recruit and retain under-represented minority faculty, including through stipends;
- Improve curriculum, clinical education and information resources related to minority health issues and facilitating faculty and student research on these issues;
- Provide community-based clinical training for students; and,
- Provide stipends for students.

Descriptions of many of these grants are available at <http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/diversity/coe/04abstracts.htm>.

Quentin Burdick Program for Rural Interdisciplinary Training Institutions Losing Grants* (including opportunity for grant renewal) Under FY 2006 and FY 2007 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations

State	Lead Grantee	Training Sites	FY 2005 Grant Amount
Alaska	University of Alaska, Anchorage; Alaska Geriatric Education Center	Various sites in Alaska	\$267,417
Arizona	University of Arizona, College of Pharmacy; Tucson, AZ	Nogales, AZ	\$266,355
Arkansas	University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences; Little Rock, AR	Sites in Dumas, Gould and Monticello, AR	\$261,138
Georgia	Medical College of Georgia; Augusta, GA	Community Health Care Network (Southwest Georgia); various other sites in rural Georgia	\$348,692
Hawaii	University Health Group; Honolulu, HI	Sites on the islands of Hawaii, Molokai, Maui, and Kauai	\$336,227

Idaho	Mountain States Group; Boise, ID; Idaho AHEC	Idaho State University Senior HealthMobile	\$277,668
Kansas	University of Kansas Medical Center; Kansas City, KS	Prairie Band Potawatomi and Kickapoo reservations	\$325,960
Kentucky	Eastern Kentucky University; Richmond, KY	Sites in Bell, Breathitt, Clay, Harlan, Jackson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Owsley, Perry, Rockcastle, Whitley, and Wolfe Counties	\$348,035
Maryland	Western Maryland Area Health Education Center; Cumberland, MD	Western Maryland	\$243,729
Nebraska	Creighton University; Omaha, NE	Omaha and Winnebago Tribes	\$203,298
Nevada	University of Nevada, Reno	Duck Valley and Iapah Reservations, health centers and schools in Carlin, Elko, Eureka, Jackpot and Wendover	\$270,000
New Mexico	University of New Mexico; Albuquerque, NM	Rural locations throughout New Mexico	\$339,742
New York	New York University; New York, NY	Herkimer, Madison and Oneida Counties, NY	\$313,528
North Carolina	Eastern Area Health Education Center; Greenville, NC	Beaufort, Hyde, Duplin, Wayne, Sampson, Greene, and Lenoir Counties, NC	\$419,937
Ohio	Ohio University; Athens, OH	Appalachian Ohio	\$195,277
South Carolina	Lowcountry AHEC; Varnville, SC	Various sites in South Carolina	\$358,396
South Dakota	University of South Dakota; Vermillion, SD	IHS facilities on the Rosebud and Lake Traverse Indian Reservations	\$336,138
Tennessee	East Tennessee State University; Johnson City, TN	Rural Health Services Consortium of Northeast Tennessee	\$242,895
Washington	University of Washington; Seattle, WA	Rural sites in Washington State	\$312,429
TOTAL (19 grants, in 19 states)			\$5,666,861

* Based on the standard three-year grant cycle for this program.

The Burdick program provided training to students and practitioners of a wide range of health professions, including medicine, dentistry, nursing, pharmacy, mental health, physical therapy and many others, with an emphasis on working in interdisciplinary teams. To encourage collaboration, grant applications had to be submitted jointly by at least two institutions and the applicants were required to

have relationships with rural health care providers and facilities to serve as training locations. Activities funded through these grants included:

- Clinical training opportunities in rural practices for health professions students and graduates;
- Training for health professions faculty in the economic, logistical and other special problems of rural health care delivery;
- Continuing education for practicing health care providers in rural areas; and,
- Information and awareness activities for rural elementary and high school students concerning career opportunities in the health professions.

Descriptions of the FY 2005 grants are available at <http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/interdisciplinary/05rural.htm>.

Health Education and Training Centers

Institutions Losing Grants* (including opportunity for grant renewal)
Under FY 2006 and FY 2007 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations

State	Lead Grantee	Program Location(s)	FY 2005 Grant Amount
Arizona	University of Arizona Health Sciences Center; Tucson, AZ	Arizona-Mexico border region (Pima, Santa Cruz, Cochise and Yuma Counties, AZ)	\$161,321
Arkansas	University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences; Little Rock, AR	Chicot, Crittenden, Desha, Lee, Phillips, Monroe, St. Francis, Sevier, Howard, and Hemstead Counties, AR	\$315,471
California	University of California, San Francisco	California-Mexico border region, southern California and San Joaquin Valley	\$503,312
Florida	Nova Southeastern University; Ft. Lauderdale, FL	Florida, statewide	\$556,010
Georgia	Morehouse School of Medicine	Sites in Metro Atlanta; Hancock Tattnall, Toombs and Candler Counties, GA	\$315,000
Hawaii	University of Hawaii, John A. Burns School of Medicine; Honolulu, HI		\$239,508
Kentucky	University of Louisville; Louisville, KY	Various sites in Kentucky	\$347,864
New Mexico	University of New Mexico; Albuquerque, NM	New Mexico-Mexico border region	\$100,000
Texas	Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center; Office of Border Health, El Paso, TX		\$456,671

Washington	University of Washington; Seattle, WA	Alaska	\$300,087
Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin Medical School; Madison, WI	Various sites in Wisconsin	\$326,615
TOTAL (11 grants, in 11 states)			\$3,621,859

* Based on the standard three-year grant cycle for this program.

The lead recipient of each HETC grant is a medical school, but all of these projects involve several cooperating participants, such as schools of nursing or pharmacy or allied health professions, community health centers and other safety net providers, and local health departments. Part of the concept of HETCs is to link academic medical centers with underserved communities, making the resources of the medical center available to physicians and providers in the community and creating training opportunities in the community for health professions students.

While each HETC is different the basic functions include one or more of the following:

- Training community health workers to provide health education services;
- Facilitating and arranging training in community-based clinics for students of medicine, nursing and other health professions, including community-based residencies for graduates;
- Conducting activities for high school students to encourage them to pursue health professions careers and help them with the necessary preparation;
- Recruiting health professionals to the area, including among graduates of HETC training programs; and,
- Providing continuing professional education, technical assistance and other services to health care professionals practicing in the community.

Descriptions of the FY 2005 grants are available at <http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/interdisciplinary/05hetc.htm>.

Allied Health Professions Training

Institutions Losing Grants* (including opportunity for grant renewal)
Under FY 2006 and FY 2007 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations

State	Grantee	FY 2005 Grant Amount
Alabama	University of Alabama; Tuscaloosa, AL	\$206,905
<i>Subtotal, Alabama</i>		<i>\$206,905</i>
Arizona	Northern Arizona University; Flagstaff, AZ	\$151,227
<i>Subtotal, Arizona</i>		<i>\$151,227</i>
California	University of Southern California; Los Angeles, CA	\$175,924
<i>Subtotal, California</i>		<i>\$175,924</i>
Florida	Barry University; Miami, FL (Residency Training in Podiatry)	\$200,876
Florida	National Parkinson Foundation, Inc.; Miami, FL	\$140,722

Florida	University of South Florida; Tampa, FL	\$220,643
<i>Subtotal, Florida</i>		<i>\$562,241</i>
Hawaii	Waianae District Comprehensive Health and Hospital Board; Waianae, HI	\$181,130
<i>Subtotal, Hawaii</i>		<i>\$181,130</i>
Illinois	Midwestern University; Downers Grove, IL	\$92,799
Illinois	Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center; Chicago, IL	\$153,767
Illinois	University of Illinois at Chicago	\$158,927
<i>Subtotal, Illinois</i>		<i>\$405,493</i>
Kentucky	University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY	\$182,001
Kentucky	University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY	\$116,291
Kentucky	University of Louisville, Louisville, KY	\$183,745
<i>Subtotal, Kentucky</i>		<i>\$482,037</i>
Louisiana	Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center; New Orleans, LA	\$105,403
<i>Subtotal, Louisiana</i>		<i>\$105,403</i>
Maryland	Allegany College of Maryland; Cumberland, MD	\$201,928
Maryland	University of Maryland Baltimore Professional Schools	\$147,925
Maryland	University of Maryland Eastern Shore; Princess Anne, MD	\$119,478
<i>Subtotal, Maryland</i>		<i>\$469,331</i>
Nebraska	University of Nebraska Medical Center; Omaha, NE	\$189,615
Nebraska	University of Nebraska Medical Center; Omaha, NE	\$118,967
<i>Subtotal, Nebraska</i>		<i>\$308,582</i>
New Jersey	UMDNJ, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School; New Brunswick, NJ	\$91,615
New Jersey	University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey; New Brunswick, NJ	\$218,172
<i>Subtotal, New Jersey</i>		<i>\$309,787</i>
New York	University of Rochester; Rochester, NY	\$226,045
New York	Utica College; Utica, NY	\$153,062
New York	Yeshiva University; New York, NY	\$192,541
<i>Subtotal, New York</i>		<i>\$571,648</i>
North Carolina	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	\$124,145
<i>Subtotal, North Carolina</i>		<i>\$124,145</i>
Ohio	Cleveland State University; Cleveland, OH	\$112,809
Ohio	Ohio State University; Columbus, OH	\$116,607
<i>Subtotal, Ohio</i>		<i>\$229,416</i>
Pennsylvania	Thomas Jefferson University; Philadelphia, PA	\$173,558

Pennsylvania	Thomas Jefferson University; Philadelphia, PA	\$154,835
<i>Subtotal, Pennsylvania</i>		<i>\$328,393</i>
South Carolina	Medical University of South Carolina; Charleston, SC	\$214,390
<i>Subtotal, South Carolina</i>		<i>\$214,390</i>
South Dakota	University of South Dakota; Vermillion, SD	\$117,675
South Dakota	VA Black Hills Health Care System Research Foundation; Fort Meade, SD	\$269,997
<i>Subtotal, South Dakota</i>		<i>\$387,672</i>
Texas	Bexar County Hospital District; San Antonio, TX (Residency Training in Podiatry Grant)	\$280,314
Texas	University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston	\$167,824
<i>Subtotal, Texas</i>		<i>\$448,138</i>
Virginia	Southwest Virginia Community College; Richlands, VA	\$146,900
<i>Subtotal, Virginia</i>		<i>\$146,900</i>
West Virginia	West Virginia University; Morgantown, WV	\$153,622
<i>Subtotal, West Virginia</i>		<i>\$153,622</i>
TOTAL (36 grants, in 20 states)		\$5,962,384

* Based on the standard three-year grant cycle for this program.

Grants were required to address one or more specific objectives listed in authorizing law, which include the following, among others:

- Expanding enrollment in training for allied health professions with the greatest shortages or whose services are most needed by the elderly;
- Rapid transition training programs for students with bachelor's degrees;
- Clinical training sites in medically underserved or rural communities;
- Career advancement training for practicing professionals; and,
- Interdisciplinary training in geriatric assessment and rehabilitation of the elderly.

In addition, a separate component of this program made grants for support of residency programs in podiatry, including training stipends for residents planning to specialize in primary care.

Descriptions of many of the grants are at <http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/interdisciplinary/05ahabstracts.htm>.

General Note: The basic source for all tables is the Department of Health and Human Services' "Tracking Accountability in Government Grants System" (TAGGS) database, supplemented in some cases with information from HRSA and grantee websites.