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Alexander Announces Funding for Rural Health Network Development Program

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Rodney Alexander, R-Quitman, today announced that the Hospital Service District No. 1-A of Richland Parish for the Rural Health Network Development Program totaling \$179,936.

The grant will be awarded through the Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Division of Grants Management Operations.

"Ensuring that quality health care is readily available to residents of rural areas is one of the most important health concerns in the 5th Congressional District," Alexander said. "It is gratifying to see federal funding for improving rural health care awarded to an area such as Richland Parish."

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