

Sen. Christensen's Request for Appropriation for Primary Care Grants

Requested Amount: \$1,500,000 Ongoing General Fund

Budget:

Primary Care Grants to eligible organizations	-	\$1,425,000
Administrative Expenses (DFHP/UDOH)	-	\$ 75,000

Performance Measures:

Program Purpose: Access to Health Care, 26-10b, UCA, (referred to as the State Primary Care Grant Program) was created to award grants to public or non-profit entities to provide primary health care to medically underserved populations.

Services Provided: The State Primary Care Grant Program makes awards to public or non-profit entities for the provision of primary health care services, including; health care services (medical, dental and mental health) for acute and chronic conditions and screening services to prevent illness and control disease. The funding is expected to increase the number of medically underserved individuals receiving primary health care services.

Expected Outcomes/Public Benefit: The State Primary Care Grant Program will provide primary health care services to medically underserved individuals in order to prevent and/or control disease. The goal of these primary care services, besides improving the quality of life for the recipients, is to help control overall health care costs by reducing emergency room visits and the need for hospitalization for these individuals.

Implementation: The State Primary Care Grant Program will contract with awarded public and nonprofit agencies to provide primary health care services to medically underserved populations. Contracts will be monitored on a quarterly basis through written progress reports.

Measure #1: Track the actual number of agencies applying for this funding and the average amount of funding being requested. Target = 20 agencies based on current baseline with an average award of \$70,000.

Measure #2: Track the actual number of medically underserved individuals receiving primary health care services through this program. Target = 30,000 individuals.