

Rep. Redd's Request for Appropriation for Healthcare Workforce Financial Assistance Program

Requested Amount: \$600,000 one-time General Fund

Budget:

Loan Repayment Contracts to Health Professionals	-	\$570,000
Administrative Expenses (DFHP/UDOH)	-	\$ 30,000

Performance Measures:

Program Purpose: Utah's Health Care Workforce Financial Assistance Program, 26-46, UCA, was created to provide professional educational loan repayment assistance to health care professionals and geriatric professionals who locate or continue to practice in underserved areas.

Services Provided: Utah's Health Care Workforce Financial Assistance Program will increase the number of health care professionals providing primary health care services in underserved areas.

Expected Outcomes/Public Benefit: Up to 15 additional health care providers, who receive loan repayment awards through this program, will have a minimum 2 year commitment to provide primary health care services in underserved areas of Utah.

Implementation: Health professionals who will provide services at eligible sites and are selected to participate in this program will receive educational loan repayment funds for two years through a contract with the UDOH.

Measure #1: Track the actual number of loan repayment applications received from both health professionals and underserved sites. Target = not known at this time. We hope to establish a baseline of need as we progress through this first year of awards.

Measure #2: Track the actual number of health care professionals awarded loan repayment contracts through this program. Target = 15.