What this legislation has made possible.

This legislation resulted in a one-time appropriation of $2,000,000 for the purpose of providing basic primary care services to medically underserved/uninsured individuals throughout the State of Utah by supporting the efforts of Utah’s safety net clinics. Ninety-five percent of this funding is used to provide primary medical, dental, and behavioral health care. Competitive grant awards were made to 29 public or not for profit agencies who provide this care. Five percent of the funding is being used for administrative costs to get the program up and running, including establishing administrative rules, creating grant guidance and grant applications, application review, scoring, and ranking, statutory committee support, quarterly report reviews, audits, and payment disbursement.

Current Performance Measures:

1. The number of quarterly patient encounters (both new and follow-up visits).
   Note: Projected encounters for FY 2015: 114,441 (97,603 urban, 16,838 rural) based upon applications.

2. Tracking overall program expenditures (both urban and rural).

3. Tracking primary care services delivered by discipline: medical, dental, mental health.

4. Tracking the overall number of grant recipients (safety net clinics) participating in this program.
   Note: We strive to assure that we have an appropriate mix of rural and urban providers.

Results from First Quarter Reports:

1. Total Encounters: 16,970
   Note: 15,288 new patients treated (14,111 urban, 1,177 rural) plus 1,682 follow-up visits (887 urban, 795 rural)

2. Total Expenditures: $386,818
   Note: Urban = $236,818 (avg. of $15.80/encounter), Rural=$150,000 (avg. of $76/encounter); per encounter costs are skewed by one-time allowance for capacity expansion funding which totaled $189,773.

3. Distribution of Patients by Discipline: Medical: 3232 (urban=1816, rural=1416)
   Dental: 12556 (urban=12,084, rural=472)
   Mental Health: 317 (urban=233, rural=84)

4. Total Number of Grant Recipients: 26
   Note: Medical=8, Dental=8, Mental Health=4, Med/Dent=1, Med/Mental=3, Referral Networks=2

Budget for FY 2016: Grant Funds to be Awarded: $1,900,000 (may be slightly less)

   Administrative Costs: $100,000

   Total Appropriation: $2,000,000