

**RURAL MEDICAL RESIDENCY TRAINING
PROGRAMS**

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STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Peter C. Knudson

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends the Medical Education Program to create and fund a rural medical residency training program and facilitates identification and tracking of workforce distribution.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ instructs the Medical Education Council to develop a pilot program for rural medical residency training subject to appropriations from the Legislature;
- ▶ sunsets the pilot program on July 1, 2015; and
- ▶ authorizes the Utah Medical Education Council to access the Division of Workforce Services database to identify changes in medical and health care workforce numbers and distribution.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

This bill appropriates:

- ▶ as an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, \$300,000 from the General Fund to the Medical Education Council to fund rural residency training programs.

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

63-55-263, as last amended by Chapters 37, 90 and 238, Laws of Utah 2004

63C-8-105, as enacted by Chapter 202, Laws of Utah 1997

ENACTS:

63C-8-106, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **63-55-263** is amended to read:

63-55-263. Repeal dates, Titles 63 to 63E.

- (1) Title 63, Chapter 25a, Part 3, Sentencing Commission, is repealed January 1, 2012.
- (2) The Crime Victims' Reparations Board, created in Section 63-25a-404, is repealed July 1, 2007.
- (3) The Resource Development Coordinating Committee, created in Section 63-38d-501, is repealed July 1, 2005.
- (4) Title 63, Chapter 38c, State Appropriations and Tax Limitation Act, is repealed July 1, 2005.
- (5) Title 63, Chapter 47, Utah Commission for Women and Families, is repealed July 1, 2005.
- (6) Title 63, Chapter 75, Families, Agencies, and Communities Together for Children and Youth At Risk Act, is repealed July 1, 2006.
- (7) Title 63, Chapter 88, Navajo Trust Fund, is repealed July 1, 2005.
- (8) Sections 63A-4-204 and 63A-4-205, authorizing the Risk Management Fund to provide coverage to nonstate entities, are repealed July 1, 2006.
- ~~[(9) Title 63A, Chapter 10, State Olympic Coordination Act, is repealed July 1, 2004.]~~
- (9) Section 63C-8-106, Rural residency training program, is repealed July 1, 2015.

Section 2. Section **63C-8-105** is amended to read:

63C-8-105. Powers of council.

The council may:

(1) conduct surveys, with the assistance of the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing within the Department of Commerce, to assess and meet changing market and education needs;

(2) notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection 35A-4-312(3), receive information obtained by the Division of Workforce Information and Payment Services under the provisions of Section 35A-4-312 for purposes consistent with the council's duties as identified under Section 63C-8-104, including identifying changes in the medical and health care workforce numbers, types, and geographic distribution;

~~[(2)]~~ (3) appoint advisory committees of broad representation on interdisciplinary clinical education, workforce mix planning and projections, funding mechanisms, and other topics as is necessary;

~~[(3)]~~ (4) use federal monies for necessary administrative expenses to carry out its duties and powers as permitted by federal law;

~~[(4)]~~ (5) distribute program monies in accordance with Subsection 63C-8-104(7); and

~~[(5)]~~ (6) as is necessary to carry out its duties under Section 63C-8-104:

(a) hire employees; and

(b) adopt rules in accordance with Title 63, Chapter 46a, Utah Administrative

Rulemaking Act.

Section 3. Section **63C-8-106** is enacted to read:

63C-8-106. Rural residency training program.

(1) For purposes of this section:

(a) "Physician" means:

(i) a person licensed to practice medicine under Title 58 Chapter 67, Utah Medical Practice Act or Title 58, Chapter 68, Utah Osteopathic Medical Practice Act; and

(ii) a person licensed to practice dentistry under Title 58, Chapter 69, Dentist and Dental Hygienist Practice Act.

(b) "Rural residency training program" means an accredited clinical training program as defined in Section 63C-8-101 which places a physician into a rural county for a part or all of the

physician's clinical training.

(2) (a) Subject to appropriations from the Legislature, the council shall establish a pilot program to place physicians into rural residency training programs.

(b) The pilot program shall begin July 1, 2005 and sunset July 1, 2015, in accordance with Section 63-55-263.

(3) (a) The council shall report to the Legislature's Health and Human Services Interim Committee concerning the implementation of the pilot program and the success of the program in increasing the retention or recruitment of physicians in rural counties in the state.

(b) The report required by this Subsection (3) shall be made by November 30 of each year.

Section 4. Appropriation.

As an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints there is appropriated from the General Fund for fiscal year 2005-06, \$300,000 to the Medical Education Council created in Section 63C-8-103 to fund the rural residency training program created in Section 63C-8-106.