

RURAL AND URBAN UNDERSERVED PROGRAM

Future physicians for underserved areas across NM

What is it –

Program to:

Sustain - student interest in working in medically underserved community

Prepare - students for success in this career goal

Encourage - others to consider working in medically underserved community

Why is it needed –

- Many students start med school thinking of working in underserved community; without support, few students finish med school with this career goal
- Well prepared students more likely to sustain interest and be successful (retained in community)

How does it work –

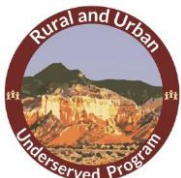
- Ongoing support throughout med school
- Focused on specialties most in need in underserved communities
- Targeted clinical training in medically underserved communities around NM
- Mentoring by clinicians experienced in working in medically underserved communities
- Seminars, workshops, group activities
- Visits to clinicians working in underserved communities
- Scholarly work on care of underserved

What's happened so far –

- 5th year
- Almost ¼ of all students now participating
- 1st graduates last May, now in residency
 - 8 Family Medicine
 - 3 Ob Gyn
 - 3 Psychiatry
 - 12/14 report "highly likely", 2/14 "likely" to practice in underserved community

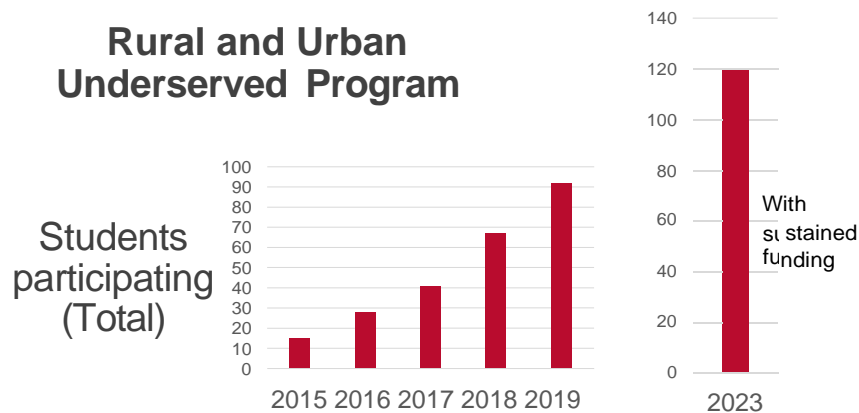
The future –

- Further growth of student participation
- Expand sites for student clinical training around NM
- Funded by federal HRSA grant ending 6/30/20
- SB 58 proposing level funding for one year at \$250,000
- HB to be proposed



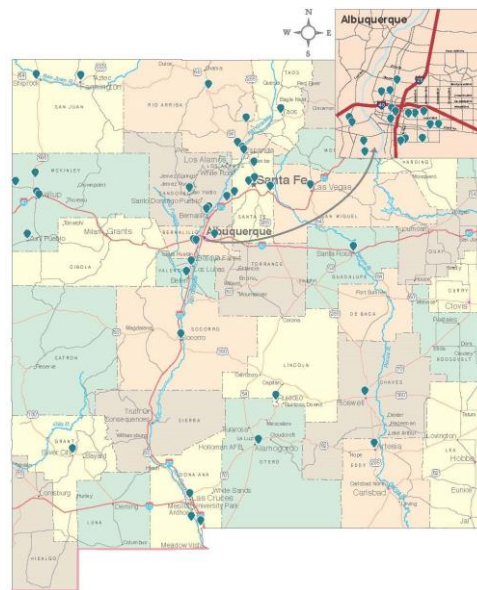
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RUUP Student Training Locations 2016-9



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