



Office of Rural Health Policy

NYSARH 8th Annual Conference

September 22, 2009

Julia Bryan, MPH, CHES
Acting Associate Director and Grants Program Coordinator
Department of Health and Human Services
Health Resources and Services Administration



Role of ORHP

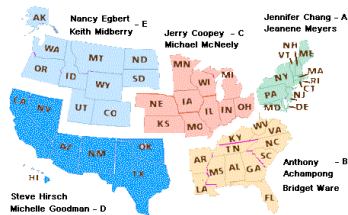


- Voice for Rural within HHS
- Administers Rural Health Grant Programs
- Makes Policy Recommendations
- Facilitates Rural Health Research



Hospital-State Division

- Programs
 - State Office of Rural Health Grants
 - Rural Hospital Flexibility Grants
 - Small Hospital Improvement Grants



Community-Based Division

- Programs
 - Rural Health Outreach
 - Rural Network Development
 - Network Planning
 - Delta Network Development
 - Quality Improvement
 - Black Lung
 - Radiation Exposure Screening and Education
 - Rural Access to Emergency Devices



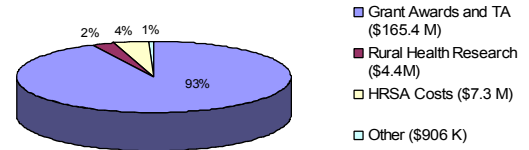


Monitoring & Evaluation

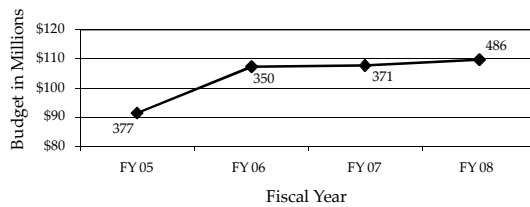
- PIMS
- Best Practices and Tracking
- Sustainability
- Economic Impact
- Technical Assistance



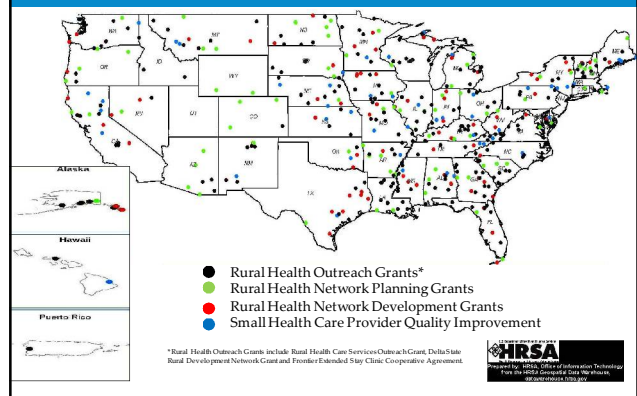
FY 2008 Budget: \$177.9 Million



Grant Funding Grant Award Trends



Rural Health Grants 2005-2009



 **HRSA**
 Health Resources and Services Administration

- Rural as a Leading Edge of Health Care Reform
 - Report from the White House Office of Health Reform
 - Rural Listening Session at White House (May 2009)
 - Rural Listening Tour (July 2009)

HARD TIMES IN THE HEARTLAND
 Health Care in Rural America

Introduction
 The rural health care system faces many challenges. The rural health care workforce is a special and vital one. The rural health care workforce is a special and vital one. The rural health care workforce is a special and vital one.



Health Care and the Rural Economy
 Health care is a major part of the rural economy. It provides jobs and income for many rural residents. It also provides a vital service to the rural population.



<http://www.healthreform.gov/reports/hardtimes/>

Tuesday 5, May 2009 | 8:03pm Test A - Av | Email Updates | RSS

HealthReform.GOV

HOME | ABOUT | FORUMS | CONTACT US

Affordable Health Care for all AMERICANS

The nearly 50 million people living in rural America are hit especially hard by the skyrocketing cost of health care. Rural Americans report more health problems, and are more likely to be without health insurance than citizens living in urban areas. In a meeting at the White House, rural representatives heard that President Obama is committed to comprehensive health care reform that will lower costs, guarantee choice of doctors and plans, and assure quality and affordable coverage for all Americans.




HARD TIMES IN THE HEARTLAND
 Health Care in Rural America

Throughout rural America, there are nearly 50 million people who face challenges in accessing health care. *Hard Times in the Heartland* provides insight into the current state of health care in rural areas and the critical need for health care reform.

Take the Health Reform Quiz

Is the US number one when it comes to health care?

[Check Out The Answer](#)

 **HRSA**
 Health Resources and Services Administration

Workforce Summit

- August 10-12, 2009
- Focused on the challenges rural and urban underserved communities face in attracting and retaining an adequate number of primary care providers.
- The meeting was sponsored by:
 - Office of Rural Health Policy (ORHP)
 - Bureau of Health Professions (BHP)
 - Bureau of Clinician Recruitment and Service (BCRS)
 - Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC)

 **HRSA**
 Health Resources and Services Administration

ORHP Resources

- Rural Assistance Center
 - One stop shopping for all rural health and human services
 - <http://raconline.org>
- Rural Health Research Gateway
 - Learn more about past and ongoing studies
 - <http://www.ruralhealthresearch.org/>
- Health Workforce Information Center
 - www.healthworkforceinfo.org



Contact Information

*Julia Bryan, MPH, CHES
Acting Associate Director and Grants
Program Coordinator
jbryan@hrsa.gov
301-443-0835
<http://ruralhealth.hrsa.gov>*