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ATTACHMENT**

Shane Keith Anderson, D.O.
Ennis, MT 59729

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, Kirksville, MO
August 1998 – June 2002

RESIDENCY: Northeast Regional Medical Center, Kirksville, MO
July 2002 – June 2005

PRACTICE SITE: Internal Medicine
Ennis, MT
Start Date – January 11, 2010

SUPPORTING INSTITUTION: Madison Valley Medical Center
Ennis, MT 59729

HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES: Madison Valley Medical Center

POPULATION: 3,750

PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO: 1:3,750

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The committee considered the size and location of the community, the physician-to-patient ratio and the difficulties the community has faced in both recruitment and retention of physicians. Ennis is an isolated rural community and is designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA). Over the past five years, Madison Valley Medical Center has recruited and lost 4 physicians. At the time Dr. Anderson inquired about practicing medicine in Ennis, they had no physicians on staff. In order to retain his services, the community greatly needs the assistance of the MRPIP loan repayment.

John Graham Foster, M.D.
Hardin, MT 59034

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Loma Linda University School of Medicine, Loma Linda, CA
July 1997 – May 2001

RESIDENCY: General Surgery Intern–Preliminary, Miami Valley Hospital, Dayton, OH
July 2001 – June 2002
General Surgery Resident-Categorical, San Joaquin General Hospital, French Camp, CA
July 2002 – June 2005
Montana Family Residency Program, Billings, MT
July 2005 – June 2007

PRACTICE SITE: Family Medicine
Hardin, MT
Start Date – August 2007

SUPPORTING INSTITUTION: Hardin Clinic
Hardin, MT 59034

HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES: Big Horn County Memorial Hospital

POPULATION: 13,500

PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO: 1:3,375

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Hardin is a small rural community which is designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) as well as a Medically Underserved Area (MUA) and Medically Underserved Population (MUP). The committee considered the size and location of the community, the physician-to-patient ratio and the difficulties the community has faced in both recruitment and retention of physicians. This community has unmet needs and continues to experience difficulty in attracting physicians due to limitations of social, educational and dual career opportunities.

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**Tracy Jo Lords, D.O.
Shelby, MT 59729**

MEDICAL SCHOOL: DesMoines University, College of Osteopathic Medicine, DesMoines, IA
August 2007 – May 2006

RESIDENCY: Internship, University of North Dakota, Fargo, ND
July 2006 – 2007

Anesthesia Residency, Indiana University Purdue University, Indianapolis, IN
2007 – 2010

PRACTICE SITE: Anesthesiology
Shelby, MT
Start Date – July, 2010

SUPPORTING INSTITUTION: Marias Medical Center
Shelby, MT 59474

HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES: Madison Medical Center

POPULATION: 10,000

PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO: 1:2,857

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The committee considered the size and location of the community, the physician-to-patient ratio and the difficulties the community has faced in both recruitment and retention of physicians. Shelby is designated as a medically underserved area (MUA). Marias Medical Center has been aggressively recruiting for anesthesia services for the past five years. Anesthesia coverage is expensive and difficult to recruit to an area permanently. Maintaining anesthesia coverage at this facility, 24-hours a day, seven days a week is critical in order to maintain obstetric services for their community as well as the surrounding areas. Marias Medical Center is one of only two facilities out of five in their area who can actively provide obstetrical care. Dr. Lords is a native Montanan from Belt, Montana who desires to practice in a rural area of her home state. She is a medical doctor who specializes in anesthesiology which would help to fill a critical need for Shelby and the surrounding areas.

**Douglas Glenn McLaws, D.O.
Deer Lodge, MT 59722**

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Osteopathic Medicine & Health Sciences, Des Moines, IA
1994 – 1998

RESIDENCY: Northeast Iowa Family Practice Residency, Waterloo, IA
July 1998 – May 2001

PRACTICE SITE: Family Medicine
Deer Lodge, MT
Start Date – June, 2009

SUPPORTING INSTITUTION: Powell County Medical Center
Deer Lodge, MT 59722

HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES: Powel County Medical Center

POPULATION: 3,800

PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO: 1: 3,800

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Recruitment at Powell County Medical Center is an ongoing issue. It has been almost impossible to recruit and retain qualified physicians in their community. Deer Lodge has lost four physicians to retirement or relocation within the past five years. With the addition of Dr. McLaws last June, they now have 2 full-time primary care physicians serving their community. Deer Lodge is designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA). Dr. McLaws is being recommended by the committee based on the location and needs of the community.

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**Holly M. Poag, D.O.
Livingston, MT 59047**

MEDICAL SCHOOL: Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences, Kansas City, MO
August 2001 – May 2005

RESIDENCY: Michigan State University-Emergency Medicine Residency Program, Sparrow
Hospital, Ingham Regional Medical Center, Lansing MI
July 2006 – July 2009

Michigan State University-Emergency Medicine Emphasis Internship Program,
Ingham Regional Medical Center, Lansing MI
July 2005 – July 2006

PRACTICE SITE: Emergency Medicine/Internal Medicine
Livingston, MT
Start Date – December 1, 2009

SUPPORTING INSTITUTION: Livingston Healthcare
Livingston, MT 59047

HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES: Livingston Healthcare

POPULATION: 17,000

PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO: 1:2,428

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The committee considered the size and location of the community, the physician-to-patient ratio and the difficulties the community faces with recruitment and retention of physicians. Livingston is a small rural community designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area and a Medically Underserved Area. Livingston Healthcare has been recruiting for emergency room physicians for over three years. During that time they have experienced a succession of seven ER physicians. Providing assistance to Dr. Poag would help to stabilize Livingston's Emergency Department and greatly benefit the Livingston and Park County community.

**Robert A. Ruth, M.D.
Glendive, MT 59330**

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Florida School of Medicine
1992 – 1996

RESIDENCY: Tallahassee Memorial Hospital Family Practice Residency, Tallahassee, FL
June 1996 – July 1999

PRACTICE SITE: Family Medicine
Glendive, MT
Start Date – October, 2007

SUPPORTING INSTITUTION: Glendive Medical Center/Gabert Clinic
Glendive, MT 59330

HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES: Glendive Medical Center

POPULATION: 8,000

PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO: 1:2,667

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Glendive is a federally designated Health Professional Shortage Area. The committee considered the size and location of the community, the physician-to-patient ratio and the difficulties the community faces with recruitment and retention of physicians. Glendive Medical Center (GMC) has actively been recruiting for a Family Practice physician for over five years. In the past five years, GMC has had three Family practice providers leave while only being able to replace one. Glendive has in the past and continues to consistently experience difficulty with the recruitment and retention of primary care providers.

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**Robert S. Wagenaar, M.D.
Billings, MT 59102**

MEDICAL SCHOOL: University of Washington School of Medicine, Seattle, WA
July 1995 – June 1999 (Montana WWAMI Student)

RESIDENCY: Puget Sound Family Medicine Residency Program, Bremerton, WA
July 1999 – June 2002

PRACTICE SITE: Public Health/Family Practice Residency
Billings, MT
Start Date – December 2009

SUPPORTING INSTITUTION: Yellowstone City-County Health Department dba Riverstone Health
Billings, MT 59101

HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES: St. Vincent Healthcare

POPULATION: 16,946 (Community Health Center Population)

PRACTICING IN COMMUNITY: 1:2,463 (Community Health Center Ratio)

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

During the 2007 Montana Legislative Session, the MRPIP legislation was expanded to include not only rural communities in Montana, but also locations serving medically underserved populations. Typical examples are federally qualified Community Health Centers (CHCs). Dr. Wagenaar's application is the first application to be received from a qualifying CHC since this program change took effect. Dr. Wagenaar is a native Montanan from Big Timber, Montana and attended medical school at the University of Washington School of Medicine as a Montana WWAMI student. He was practicing as a MRPIP physician in Anaconda for the past 2 ½ years and has now relocated to Billings where he will serve the Yellowstone City-County Health Department (Riverstone Health) as a full-time staff physician. He is applying for consideration for his final 2 ½ years of MRPIP eligibility. In conjunction with his practice at the CHC, he will also be teaching physician residents for the Montana Family Practice Residency Program. Over the past five years, Riverstone Health has been actively recruiting to fill three full-time physician openings. The CHC cannot match the salaries and incentives offered by other facilities to family physicians, making recruitment very difficult. Riverstone Health continues to experience a rising demand for services from an underserved population as well as a shortage of physicians. Based on the location and the needs of the CHC, the committee recommends Dr. Wagenaar.