Nicolle R. M. Benz, D.O. Hospitalist, Libby, MT	
MEDICAL SCHOOL:	University of North Texas Health Sciences Center, Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, Fort Worth, TX 1997-2001
RESIDENCY:	Internal Medicine Residency; Methodist Hospital Dallas, Dallas, TX 2002-2004
PRACTICE SITE:	Hospitalist St. John's Lutheran Hospital, Libby, MT Start Date – June 4, 2012
SUPPORTING INSTITUTION:	St. John's Lutheran Hospital Libby, MT 59923
HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES:	St. John's Lutheran Hospital
POPULATION:	16,000
PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO:	1:2,666

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Libby is a geographically isolated and rural location designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA), a Medically Underserved Area (MUA), and a Medically Underserved Population (MUP). St. John's Lutheran Hospital has been actively recruiting for two hospitalist positions for over a year and a half; Dr. Benz fills one of these vacancies. Her acceptance of this position will help to provide relief for local primary physicians, allowing them more time to see patients in their clinics. This community will greatly benefit from the assistance of the MRPIP loan repayment to help retain Dr. Benz's services.

Gabriel D. Charbonneau, M.D.

Family Medicine (Part-time), Stevensville, MT

MEDICAL SCHOOL:	University of Utah School of Medicine, Salt Lake City, UT 2000-2004
RESIDENCY:	Family Medicine; University of Washington Family Medicine Residency Program 2004-2007
PRACTICE SITE:	Family Medicine (Part-time) Lifespan Family Medicine Specialists, Stevensville, MT Start Date – December 2, 2011
SUPPORTING INSTITUTION:	Providence Medical Group/St. Patrick Hospital Missoula, MT 59802
HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES:	St. Patrick Hospital
POPULATION:	23,099
PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO:	1:2,640

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The committee considered the size and location of the community, the physician-to-patient ratio and the difficulty the community has recruiting and retaining a sufficient number of physicians to serve their community. Stevensville is a rural community designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA). Lifespan Family Medicine Clinic is a small family practice in Stevensville, which together with St. Patrick Hospital has been recruiting for a second family medicine physician since 2010. In order to retain Dr. Charbonneau's part-time services, the community needs the assistance of the MRPIP loan repayment.

Rishona Y. Corson, M.D.

Emergency Medicine, Anaconda, MT

MEDICAL SCHOOL:	St. Christopher College of Medicine/Medical University of the Americas, Dakar, Senegal 2001-2005
RESIDENCY:	Family Medicine; University of Wyoming Family Medicine Residency, Casper, WY 2005-2008 Emergency Medicine; Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, PA 2008-2010
PRACTICE SITE:	Emergency Medicine Community Hospital of Anaconda, Anaconda, MT Start Date – 01/17/2011
SUPPORTING INSTITUTION:	Community Hospital of Anaconda Anaconda, MT 59711
HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES:	Community Hospital of Anaconda
POPULATION:	11,000
PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO:	1:3,100

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Community Hospital of Anaconda (CHA) is a rural critical access hospital that provides medical care through its hospital, ER Department, Convenient Care, nursing home, and family and internal medicine clinics. CHA has seen a 30% increase in patient volume in the past five years, largely due to patients having to utilize convenient care services in place of primary care services where there is a shortage. Anaconda is designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA), Medically Underserved Area (MUA), and Medically Underserved Population (MUP). Anaconda is an extremely difficult area to recruit to. Only 50% of the providers in the area have remained in the community for more than 5 years. Over the past five years, CHA has recruited and lost six primary care physicians. The availability of loan repayment assistance under the MRPIP program continues to play a vital role in CHA's ability to recruit physicians to the Anaconda community.

Douglas L. Dunham, D.O.

Emergency Medicine, Anaconda, MT

MEDICAL SCHOOL:	Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine, Blacksburg, VA 2005-2008
RESIDENCY:	Emergency Medicine; Geisinger Health Systems, Danville, PA 2008-2011
PRACTICE SITE:	Emergency Medicine Community Hospital of Anaconda, Anaconda, MT Start Date – 08/01/2011
SUPPORTING INSTITUTION:	Community Hospital of Anaconda Anaconda, MT 59711
HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES:	Community Hospital of Anaconda
POPULATION:	11,000
PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO:	1:3,100

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Anaconda is designated is designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA), Medically Underserved Area (MUA), and Medically Underserved Population (MUP). The Community Hospital of Anaconda (CHA) is a rural critical access hospital that provides medical care through its hospital, ER Department, Convenient Care, nursing home, and family and internal medicine clinics. CHA has seen a 30% increase in patient volume in the past five years, largely due to patients having to utilize convenient care services in place of primary care services where there is a shortage. Anaconda is an extremely difficult area to recruit to. Only 50% of the providers in the area have remained in the community for more than 5 years. Over the past five years, CHA has recruited and lost six primary care physicians. The availability of loan repayment assistance under the MRPIP program continues to play a vital role in CHA's ability to recruit physicians to the Anaconda community.

Anna S. Loge, M.D.

General Internal Medicine, Dillon, MT

MEDICAL SCHOOL:	University of Washington School of Medicine (WWAMI), Seattle, WA 2000-2004 (Montana WWAMI Student)
RESIDENCY:	Internal Medicine; Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, MA 2004-2005 Internal Medicine; University of Washington Internal Medicine Residency, Seattle, WA 2005-2007
PRACTICE SITE:	General Internal Medicine Barrett Hospital and Healthcare, Dillon, MT Start Date – July 1, 2011
SUPPORTING INSTITUTION:	Barrett Hospital and Healthcare Dillon, MT 59725
HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES:	Barrett Hospital and Healthcare
POPULATION:	9,600
PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO:	1:1,200

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Dillon is an isolated rural community that provides health services to a number of other surrounding communities that are even more isolated. The demand for primary care services in the area is quickly outpacing the availability of sufficient numbers of physicians. Over the past five years, Barrett Hospital and Healthcare (BHH) has lost three physicians to retirement or relocation; two more primary care physicians are expected to retire in the next three years; and they have three full time primary care physician openings they have been actively recruiting to fill for over a year. After considering the size and location of the Dillon service area, the physician-to-patient ratio, and the difficulties the community faces with their recruitment and retention efforts, the committee agrees the community would greatly benefit from the assistance of the MRPIP loan repayment to help retain Dr. Loge's services.

Angela R. Haugo, D.O.

Family Medicine (Part-time), Stevensville, MT

MEDICAL SCHOOL:	Des Moines University School of Medicine, Des Moines, IA 2000-2004
RESIDENCY:	Family Medicine; University of Washington Family Medicine Residency Program 2004-2007
PRACTICE SITE:	Family Medicine (Part-time) Lifespan Family Medicine Specialists, Stevensville, MT Start Date – December 12, 2011
SUPPORTING INSTITUTION:	Providence Medical Group/St. Patrick Hospital Missoula, MT 59802
HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES:	St. Patrick Hospital
POPULATION:	23,099
PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO:	1:2,640

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The committee considered the size and location of the community, the physician-to-patient ratio and the difficulty the community has recruiting and retaining a sufficient number of physicians to serve their community. Stevensville is a rural community designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA). Lifespan Family Medicine Clinic is a small family practice in Stevensville, which together with St. Patrick Hospital has been recruiting for a second family medicine physician since 2010. In order to retain Dr. Haugo's part-time services, the community needs the assistance of the MRPIP loan repayment.

ITEM: 152-118-R0911 ATTACHMENT Jason I. McIsaac, M.D. Emergency Medicine, Libby, MT MEDICAL SCHOOL: Ben Gurion University, Beer Sheva, Israel 2003-2007 **RESIDENCY:** Emergency Medicine; Albert Einstein Medical Center Emergency Medicine Residency, Philadelphia, PA 2008-2012 **Emergency Medicine** PRACTICE SITE: Deer Lodge Medical Center, Deer Lodge, MT Start Date - 07/16/2012 SUPPORTING INSTITUTION: Deer Lodge Medical Center Deer Lodge, MT HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES: Deer Lodge Medical Center POPULATION: 6,700 PHYSICIAN/PATIENT RATIO: 1:2,333

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Deer Lodge is rural community designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) that struggles to maintain sufficient numbers of primary care physicians. Over the past five years, Deer Lodge lost six physicians to relocation and one to retirement. Despite their extensive recruitment and retention efforts, the community finds it extremely difficult to attract physicians; the primary reasons cited are high burnout rate, a lack of colleagues, family isolation, a lack of shopping, Montana winters, and the Montana State Prison. Now that they have been successful in attracting Dr. McIsaac to the community, Deer Lodge Medical Center needs the assistance of the MRPIP to help retain his services.