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## Overview

This bill provides an unspecified general fund appropriation for fiscal years 2006 and 2007 to fund 18 resident physicians in family practice medicine to provide doctors for underserved rural and urban areas of Minnesota. The appropriation is made to the Higher Education Services Office for a grant to United Family Medicine Residency program.

Currently state appropriations provide funding for residency programs operated by the University of Minnesota and the Mayo Foundation. The University of Minnesota has residents at several locations including the Twin Cities and Duluth. The Mayo Foundation operates the Mayo Department of Family Medicine Residency program located at the Mayo Family Clinic in Dodge County. Since 1997, state appropriations have also funded a cooperative program between Mayo and St. Cloud Hospital to train family physicians to practice in rural areas.