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H.F. 2234 provides a grant of \$350,000 in fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to North Memorial Hospital to support physicians in the family practice residency program. The grant must be used to prepare doctors to practice primary care medicine in rural and underserved areas in the state. The Office of Higher Education (OHE) is the fiscal agent for the grant.

Background: The 2015 higher education bill and 2016 supplemental spending bill included funding for five residency programs. The programs funded and amount received in fiscal years 2015 and 2016 are as follows:

- *United Family Medicine Residency Program*: Received \$501,000 in both years of the biennium for resident physicians. (2015 Omnibus Higher Ed. Bill)
- *Hennepin County Medical Center:* Received \$645,000 in both years of the biennium for graduate family medical education programs. (2015 Omnibus Higher Ed. Bill)
- *St. Cloud Hospital*: Received \$346,000 in both years of the biennium to support resident physicians in the St. Cloud Hospital Family Residency Program. (2015 Omnibus Higher Ed. Bill)
- *Mayo Clinic:* Received \$686,000 in both years of the biennium to support family practice and graduate residents. (2015 Omnibus Higher Ed. Bill)
- Addiction Medicine Graduate Fellowship Program: OHE received \$210,000 in fiscal year 2016 to establish a grant program to support physicians enrolled in an addiction medicine fellowship program. (2016 Omnibus Supplemental Finance Bill)