

Title VII Dental Public Health Training

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HRSA: America's Health Care Safety Net



We work to:

- Expand access to high-quality, culturally sensitive health care;
- Improve health outcomes among America's disadvantaged and minority communities; and
- Prepare communities to treat victims of a bioterrorist attack.



How HRSA Serves America



- **HIV/AIDS** (\$2.05B)
- **Maternal and Child Health** (\$1.01B)
- **Primary Health Care** (\$1.75B)
- **Healthcare Systems** (\$1.03B)
- **Rural Health Policy** (\$143M)





How HRSA Serves America



- **Health Professions** (\$937M in FY 2004): BHPPr helps train physicians, dentists and other providers and places them where they are needed most.



Health Professions

- **Mission**

To improve the health status of the population by providing national leadership and resources to develop, distribute and retain a diverse, culturally competent health workforce that provides the highest quality care for all, especially the underserved.

- **Vision**

A nation in which access to quality health care is universal, health workforce shortages are eliminated, health disparities are overcome, prevention is emphasized, and health outcomes are optimal for all



Health Professions

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Organization

- Divisions
 - Health Careers Diversity & Development
 - Medicine and Dentistry
 - Nursing
 - State, Community & Public Health
 - National Health Service Corps
- Office of Workforce Evaluation & Quality Assurance
- Program Support





Division of Medicine and Dentistry

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- Primary Care Medical Education Branch (PCMEB)
- Graduate Medical Education Branch (CHGME)
- Dental & Special Projects Branch (DSPB)



Dental Activities



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Division of Medicine and Dentistry



- Training in Primary Care Dentistry (Sect, 747)
- Children's Hospitals Dental GME
- Dental Public Health Training (Sect. 768)
- Special Congressional Initiatives (2004)
- Pacific Rim Cooperative Agreement

Title VII Section 747

- Primary Care Medical Education Branch
 - Responsible for development of guidelines and implementation of grants, cooperative agreements and contracts

- 2005 Guidance (October 1, 2004)
 - General Dentistry Residency Training
 - Pediatric Dentistry Residency Training

TEETH CLEANING





Title VII Section 768 Training



- Collaboration between two Divisions
 - State, Community and Public Health
 - Medicine and Dentistry



- Residency training in Dental Public Health
- Three year cycle ends June 2006
- Seven (of 14 non-federal) programs



Title VII Section 768 Training



- Challenges
 - Recruitment
 - Employment potential
 - Financial obligations of potential trainees
- Opportunities
 - Innovative programs
 - Interdisciplinary training
 - Clinical leadership component



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