Providing Millions in Grants to Support the Next Generation of Physicians

About CalMedForce
California has one of the lowest primary care physician-to-patient ratios in the nation. In fact, 31 of California's 58 counties lack the number of primary care providers recommended by national health experts. There are not enough residency positions for every medical school graduate and physicians tend to practice where they train. The shortage of available residency slots has further exacerbated the state's physician shortage. Proposition 56 allocates $40 million to sustain, retain, and expand graduate medical education (GME) programs to increase the number of primary care and emergency medicine physicians in California. CalMedForce administers those grant funds to residency programs serving patients in community clinics, medical centers and hospitals in underserved communities to improve access to quality health care.

Who May Apply?
Awardees are selected based on their ability to support and expand the physician workforce to meet the demands of California's diverse and growing patient population, with a focus on medically underserved populations. Eligible residency programs may apply for a grant to support up to five residents. Applicants must meet the following minimum qualifications:

+ Located in California
+ Licensed as Allopathic or Osteopathic
+ Provide primary care (family medicine, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, or pediatrics) or emergency medicine
+ Accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education
+ Serve medically underserved populations and areas

Impact
To date, CalMedForce has disbursed 159 awards totaling almost $76 million in grant funds to community clinics, medical centers, and hospitals throughout California to support 351 resident positions.


Grants and Resident Positions Awarded to Date

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(1) Physicians for a Healthy California, CalMedForce (2020)
(2) FM=Family Medicine; IM=Internal Medicine; OBGYN=Obstetrics and Gynecology; PEDS=Pediatrics; EM=Emergency Medicine

We are very thankful for the grant... know 100% for sure that if we did not have the funding, we couldn't do the training or work that we do to get those physicians out there.

We were very fortunate to receive the CalMedForce grant this last year and we were able to expand our program to support another resident for 3 years...