

**Office of the State Board of Education  
University of Utah Medical Education Program  
Strategic Plan  
2010-2014**

**Mission Statement**

The University of Utah Medical Education Program provides eight Idaho students each year with the opportunity to attend the University of Utah School of Medicine with financial support from the State of Idaho. There are 32 Idaho students in total receiving State financial support to attend the four year medical education program. This partnership between Utah and Idaho allows our students to receive medical training not currently available in the State and, since many of the graduates return to Idaho to practice medicine, helps meet Idaho's need for more practicing physicians to care for its citizens.

**Goal I**

Provide high quality medical education to State funded Idaho students each year in the four year program.

**Objective 1**

Recruit eight high quality Idaho students each year that have an interest in practicing primary care medicine and returning to Idaho after completing their medical education.

**Performance Measure**

- Number of Idaho funded students applying/number and percentage selected
- Average GPA and MCAT Score of admitted Idaho students
- Pass rate of Idaho students on U.S. medical licensing examination

**Benchmark**

- Number of applicants will be sufficient to ensure high quality selections
- Medical exam pass rate for Idaho students will be 100 percent
- Number and percentage of graduates entering a primary care residency program

**Objective 2**

Recruit and encourage new Idaho M.D. graduates to attend residency training in Idaho or return to Idaho after completion of residency.

**Performance Measure**

- Number and percentage of all University of Utah Medical Education program graduates practicing in Idaho
- Number of recent graduates applying for residency training seats in Idaho
- Number of recent graduates applying for residency training seats in primary care medicine

**Benchmark**

50 percent of Idaho supported University of Utah Graduates return to Idaho to practice medicine

**Key External Factors Beyond Agency Control**

- Funding or even expansion of the University of Utah Medical Education Program is dependent on continued financial support from the Idaho Legislature. As Idaho begins to grow medical education programs in the State, the University of Utah Medical Education Program may be expanded or phased out in favor of and Idaho medical education initiative.
- Currently, Idaho supported University of Utah Program graduates have no requirement to return to Idaho to practice medicine. The number and percentage of graduates eventually practicing medicine in Idaho will depend on the number of Idaho residency seats available to University of Utah graduates, and medical practice opportunities in the State for graduates of residency programs in other states.