



OPCRH Staff Introductions

Cory Zastrow graduated from the U of U with a B.S. He started as an intern for the Office of Primary Care and Rural Health and upon completion was fortunate enough for a position to open for a Health Program Specialist to work with the State Primary Care Grant Program. He has been working in the office for about a year. He has a wife and a three year old daughter. He likes to be active and spend time with his family outdoors. He enjoys golfing and fishing.

OPCRH Quarterly Update

HHS announces \$2,305,900 in ACA Act funding to 4 new CHCs in Utah

HHS Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell announced today (05/05/2015) \$2,305,900 in ACA funding to 4 new health center sites in Utah (Bear Lake, Midtown, Mountainlands and Southwest Community Health Centers) for the delivery of comprehensive primary health care services to the communities that need them most.

Utah Department of Health

During the 2015 general session, the Utah Legislature allocated funds (\$900,000) to two initiatives to improve the development of the healthcare workforce in Utah: [the Rural Physicians Loan Repayment Program](#) and the [Utah Health Care Workforce Financial Assistance Program](#).

Additional information will be soon available on the [OPCRH website](#).

Conferences & Trainings

- ✓ [NRHA Conferences](#)
- ✓ [StuderGroup Conference](#)
- ✓ [Baldrige Regional Conferences](#)
- ✓ [NOSORH- Past Webinars Materials](#)

Policy Updates

- [Rural Health Clinics \(RHC\) TA Series Calls](#)
- [Federal Register News](#) from the past 120 days
- Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services: be up to date on policies, news and other topics. [Get Email Updates](#)

Funding Opportunities

- [HRSA-15-Telehealth Focused Rural Health Research Center](#). Apply by June 29, 2015
- [HRSA-15-150 Rural Quality Improvement Technical Assistance](#) Apply by June 22, 2015.
- [HRSA-15-145 Rural Child Poverty Telehealth Network Grant Program](#) Apply by June 22, 2015.
- [Grants.gov](#) is your place to FIND and APPLY for federal grants.
- [USDA programs and Services](#)

Events

- CMS MLN Connects- National Provider Call Program-[Upcoming Events](#)
- MLN Connects National Provider Call: Register for the June 18 call on: [ICD-10 Preparing for Implementation and New ICD-10-PCS Section X](#).

Issue's Topic

- [Health Insurance Marketplaces: Early Findings on Changes in Plan Availability and Premiums in Rural Places, 2014-2015](#)

Tools, Resources, and Links

- [Rural Mental Health and Substance Abuse Toolkit](#)
- [County Health Ranking & Road Maps](#): Check your county ranking on Health Outcomes and Health Factors.

Issue's Definition

- [RUPRI](#): is the Rural Policy Research Institute (RUPRI) that provides unbiased analysis and information on the challenges, needs, and opportunities facing rural America. RUPRI's aim is to spur public dialogue and help policymakers understand the rural impacts of public policies and programs.

Helpful Websites

[NOSORH](#) [NRHA](#) [NHSC](#) [3RNet](#) [MBQIP](#) [HCAHPS](#) [ICD-10](#) [TASC](#)
[National Rural Health Resources Center](#) [Flex Monitoring Team](#) [Rural Assistance Center \(RAC\)](#)
[Rural Health Research & Policy Centers](#) [Federally Qualified Health Centers Center](#)
[CMS-MLN](#) [HPSA Designations](#) [Utah Telehealth Network](#) [the Baldrige Framework](#)

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