

RURAL HEALTH RESEARCH CENTER PROGRAM

Evidence to strengthen the health of rural America

The Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (FORHP) in the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) funds the Rural Health Research Center (RHRC) program - the only federal program dedicated to producing policy-relevant research to improve health care access and population health in rural areas and to assist decision makers at federal, state and local levels.

675+

completed projects

100+

ongoing projects

1,100+

briefs & articles

EXAMPLES OF RHRC FOCUS AREAS AND IMPACT

Southwest RHRC/Texas A & M

Developed "Rural Healthy People 2030" as a companion to HHS' Healthy People 2030.

RUPRI/ University of Iowa

Monitors Medicare Advantage enrollment and coverage trends in rural areas.

University of Minnesota RHRC

Maternity care research informed the Rural MOMS Act. Aging research has informed CMS and HHS regulations.

WWAMI RHRC/ University of Washington

Tracks rural health workforce, evaluates Medicare workforce policies, and generates evidence on federal opioid programming.

University of North Carolina RHRC

Monitors rural health system trends; analyzes the effects of legislative, regulatory, and market changes on hospital stability.

University of South Carolina RHRC

Identify high-need rural communities; child health research has informed ACES public health initiatives.

ACROSS THE PROGRAM

Direct informing of federal regulation, rulemaking, and agency activities. Engagement with national advisory committees, news outlets, and state and local leaders.

RESEARCH FOCUS

Behavioral Health · Chronic Disease · Health Care Cost · Children's Health · Primary Care · Value-Based Care · Health Care Access · Health Care Workforce · Medicare · Health Insurance · Maternal Health · Hospital Closure · Aging



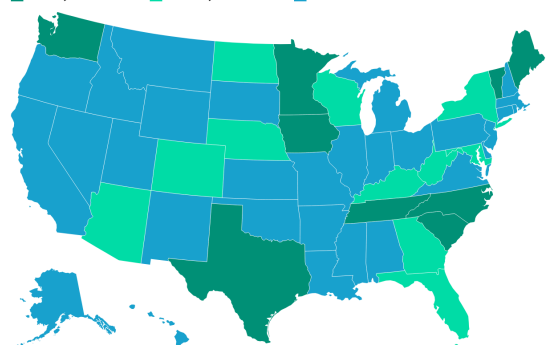
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