

# GME History, Fiscal and Program Status

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### History of GME in Nevada

Task Force / Advisory Council and GME Grants



### Task Force / Advisory Council

Executive Order 2014-07

Executive Order 2015-30

Senate Bill 350 (2023) Senate Bill 262 (2025) Senate Bill 494 (2025)

March 11, 2014

November 13, 2015

June 12, 2023

June 11, 2025

#### Established GME Task Force

- Recommendations to Governor how to increase GM workforce in Nevada
- Report to Governor by 6/14/2014

#### Re-established GME Task Force

- Appropriated \$5M
   each year of SFY16-17
   biennium to fund
   grants for GME
- Advisory body to Governor
- OSIT = admin. support
- Initial report to Governor by 2/28/2016
- TF may meet through 6/30/2017
- TF cease to exist after 6/30/2017 unless directed by Governor

## Statutorily established GME Advisory Council and grant program

- OSIT manages both
- Advisory Council makes recommendations to OSIT for grant application funding
- Grant prioritization for GME programs facing fed. \$ cuts
- OSIT to establish a committee to develop a process/procedure and rubric for scoring applications
- October 1<sup>st</sup> report

### Revises GME grant program & Advisory Council

- Transfer from OSIT to DHHS
- Prohibits GME grant recipients from reducing/eliminating size of GME program
- Appropriates \$4.5M
   each year of SFY26-27
   biennium
- Incorporates Medicare caps into grant consideration
- Adds responsibilities to Advisory Council

Transfer GME
Advisory Council
and grant program
from OSIT/DHHS to
the Nevada Health
Authority



#### Members: Advisory Council on GME

The dean of each medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education of the American Medical Association and the Association of American Medical Colleges

- Dr. Paul Hauptman term ends 2/28/2027
- Dr. Alison Netski term ends 8/31/2028

The dean of each school of osteopathic medicine that is accredited by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation of the American Osteopathic Association

Dr. Wolfgang Gilliar term ends 2/28/2027

Two members appointed by the Governor who are physicians licensed pursuant to chapter 630 or 633 of NRS

- Dr. Ross Berkeley term ends 2/28/2027
- Dr. Bret Frey term ends 3/31/2027

One member appointed by the Governor who represents hospitals located in counties whose population is less than 100,000

Robyn Dunckhorst term ends 2/28/2027

One member appointed by the Governor who represents hospitals located in counties whose population is 100,000 or more but less than 700,000

• Christine Bosse term ends 1/31/2027



#### Members: Advisory Council on GME (2 of 2)

One member appointed by the Governor who represents hospitals located in a county whose population is 700,000 or more

Mason VanHouweling term ends 2/28/2027

One member appointed by the Governor who represents the medical corps of any of the Armed Forces of the United States

Dr. Jeremy Kilburn term ends 2/28/2027

One member appointed by the Governor who represents the Department of Health and Human Services

• Dr. Leon Ravin term ends 8/31/2028

One member appointed by the Governor who represents the Office of Economic Development in the Office of the Governor

Vance Farrow term ends 3/31/2027

Governor may appoint two members as the Governor determines necessary

- Dr. John Packham term ends 2/28/2027
- Stacie Weeks term ends 3/31/2027



#### Advisory Council Responsibilities

#### Senate Bills 262 and 494 (2025) -

- 1. Evaluate applications for competitive grants for the GME grant program and make recommendations to the NVHA.
- 2. In making recommendations to NVHA for the GME grant applications, the Council shall give **priority** to institutions who:
  - Operate programs for residency training that are approved by the ACGME and that are training residents that exceeds the maximum number of FTE resident positions for which the institution receives direct or indirect GME payments from Medicare.
- 3. Study and make recommendations to NVHA, the Governor, and the Legislature concerning:
  - The **creation and retention** of Nevada programs for residency training and postdoctoral fellowships that are approved by ACGME; and
  - The **recruitment and retention** of physicians necessary to meet the health care needs of Nevada residents, with the emphasis on those health care needs.
- 4. In collaboration with NVHA, the Advisory Council shall explore ways to use **federal financial participation in Medicaid** to support programs for medical residency training and postdoctoral fellowships in Nevada.



### **GME Grant Program History**



Round 1: May 2016 (SFY16)	
UNLV SOM: Psychiatry	\$900,000
Valley Health: Infrastructure Development	\$600,000
UNR SOM: Adult/Child Psychiatry	\$500,000
UNLV SOM: OBGYN	\$1,300,000
UNR SOM: Internal Medicine	\$1,700,000
TOTAL	\$5,000,000

Round 2: September 2016 (SFY17)	
UNR SOM: Geriatric Medicine	\$500,000
Valley Health: Infrastructure Development	\$1,050,000
Mountain View: OBGYN	\$850,000
Touro University: Geriatric Medicine	\$1,200,000
UNR SOM: Family & Community Medicine	\$1,400,000
TOTAL	\$5,000,000



#### **GME Grants**

Round 3: March 2018 (SFY18)	
Valley Health: Surgery	\$794,410
Mountain View: Physical Medicine & Rehab	\$888,000
TOTAL	\$1,682,410

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• Only 2 applicants; fully funded

Round 4: June 2018 (SFY18)	
UNLV SOM: Pulmonary & Critical Care	\$454,817
UNLV SOM: Pediatric	\$922,433
UNR SOM: Family Medicine Training	\$251,969
Southern Hills: Psychiatry	\$1,054,000
Valley Health: Family Medicine	\$319,210
TOTAL	\$3,002,429

#### Round 4 considerations:

Left \$315,161 unallocated of \$5M in SFY18;
 reverted back to SGF.



#### GME Grants (3 of 4)

Round 5: November 2018 (SFY19)	
UNLV SOM: Critical Care Addendum	\$80,000
UNLV SOM: Critical Care Surgery	\$1,560,179
UNLV SOM: Geriatrics	\$722,346
Valley Health: Henderson Hospital Infrast.	\$961,995
TOTAL	\$3,324,520

Round 6: May 2019 (SFY19)	
Mountain View: Radiology	\$829,179
Southern Nevada Health District	\$325,000
UNLV SOM: Forensic Psychiatry	\$521,301
TOTAL	\$1,675,480

#### **Round 5 considerations:**

• UNLV SOM Addendum: only 2 of the 3 residents funded in SFY18; this added the third.





### GME Grants (4 of 4)



Round 7: July 2022 (SFY23): Current Grantees	
Dignity Health: Family Medicine	\$2,600,000
Dignity Health: Internal Medicine	\$678,632
UNLV SOM: Hematology	\$2,408,961
UNLV SOM: Rheumatology	\$1,955,790
UNR SOM: Pediatrics	\$870,433
TOTAL	\$8,513,816



#### **NVHA GME Grant Program**

#### SB262 (2025)

- When awarding grants, the NVHA shall consider the recommendations of the GME Advisory Council and give priority to award grants to programs that:
  - Will **leverage funds** from the Federal Government or private persons to maximize the impact of the grants;
  - Incorporate innovative delivery models, including telehealth, rotations in rural areas, and training in underserved settings;
  - **Provide logistical support** which may include transportation, housing, and accommodations for family members of residents and fellows, to facilitate the placement of residents and fellows in rural areas and other underserved areas;
  - **Demonstrate collaboration** with rural hospitals, community health centers, and other local health care entities; and
  - Address geographic areas and populations of Nevada where the shortage of providers of health care is most critical and specialties for which the need in those areas and among those populations is most critical.



#### NVHA GME Grant Program (2 of 2)

#### SB262 (2025)

- The money in the account for the GME Grant Program must be used to award competitive grants to institutions in Nevada:
  - Seeking to create, expand, or retain programs for residency training and postdoctoral fellowships that are approved by the ACGME; or
  - Operating programs for residency training that are approved by the ACGME and that are training residents that exceeds the maximum number of FTE resident positions for which the institution receives direct or indirect GME payments from Medicare.



Any money remaining in the account at the end of the fiscal year does <u>not</u> revert to the State General Fund, and the balance in the account must be carried forward to the next fiscal year.



### **GME Fiscal Status**



# Current Budget Status for the NVHA GME Program

Description	SFY26	SFY27
Transfers GME grant funding to the Nevada Health Authority (i.e., the approved base budget)	\$8,530,000.00	
Appropriated from the State General Fund to the Account for GME grant program created by NRS 223.631 per SB262 Section 8	\$4,500,000.00	\$4,500,000.00
Carryover Work Program from OSIT funds per NRS 223.631(5.): Any money remaining in the account at the end of the fiscal year does not revert to State General Fund, and the balance in the account must be carried forward to the next fiscal year	\$7,034,066.81	
SFY26 grant fund payments remaining from SFY22 GME grant awards	(\$3,976,041.18)	
Outstanding SFY25 Q4 payments	(\$261,900.01)	
GME funds available	\$15,826,125.62	\$4,500,000.00



### **NVHA GME Program**



#### **NVHA GME Survey Results**

Online survey deployed to GME stakeholders, including teaching hospitals and prior GME Grant recipients

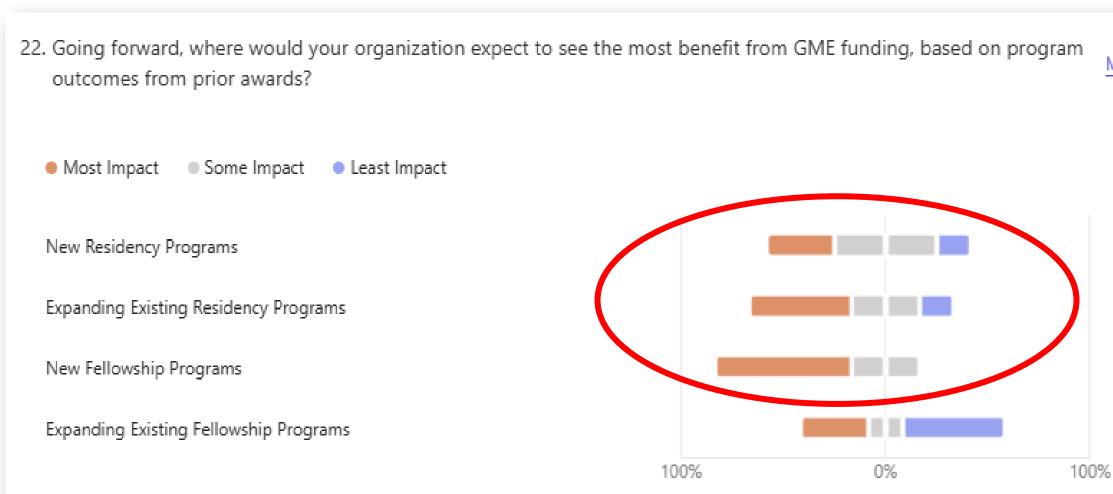
Purpose: to gather information about what programs have been most impactful and identify barriers to past success

Survey live September 3-10, 2025

Respondents included major Schools of Medicine and 1 teaching hospital



### Survey Highlights





## Survey Comments: Additional Considerations

#### Challenges to expand or grow GME Programs:

- Resident Pay in Nevada may be low in comparison to other states
- Partner hospitals often do not support resident training requirements
- Medicare caps can make expansion of existing programs difficult
- Sustainability of funding for programs can be difficult beyond start-up or expansion
- Meeting the housing needs of residents and their families

#### Opportunities for Impact:

- Many survey respondents are planning for new programs
- Opportunity for new federal and state funding strategies to enhance GME
- Consider ways to enhance training opportunities and/or partnerships with hospitals



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#### Acronyms

- ACGME: Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical
   TF: Task Force Education
- FTE: Full-Time Equivalent
- GM: Graduate Medical
- GME: Graduate Medical Education
- NRS: Nevada Revised Statute
- OBGYN: Obstetrics and Gynecology
- OSIT: Office of Science, Innovation, and Technology in the Office of the Governor
- Q: Quarter
- SB: Senate Bill
- SFY: State Fiscal Year
- SGF: State General Fund
- SOM: School of Medicine

- UNLV: University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- UNR: University of Nevada, Reno