

Health Profession Opportunity Grants (HPOG) Implementation, Systems and Outcome Project, 2010-2015

The purpose of this project is to provide recommendations for the design of an evaluation intended to be universal to the 27 Health Profession Opportunity Grant (HPOG) sites focused on TANF recipients and other low-income individuals and to assess implementation, system change, and outcomes. For the design of this evaluation, questions of primary interest are:

- How are health professions training programs being implemented across the grantee sites?
- What changes to the service delivery system are associated with program implementation?
- What individual level outputs and outcomes occur (for example: recruitment, enrollment, retention, completion (accreditation/certification), job entry, employment retention and advancement, and earning)?
- What can be learned about how best to implement these program for this population (what implementation and/or systems components are related to programs outputs and outcomes)?
- What key components appear necessary or contribute to the success of these programs?

Additionally this contract provides for the design and ongoing support for the HPOG Performance Reporting System (PRS), a web-based management information system. This system supports the collection of data that will be used by ACF and its designated evaluation teams for both performance management and evaluation efforts across all 32 grantees. This contract also provides for coordination among ACF's multiple evaluation activities addressing the HPOG program.

This work is being conducted through a contract to Abt Associates and its subcontractor the Urban Institute.

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