





# Welcome!

#### Rural Recruitment Innovations through Partnerships & Collaboration

Monthly Webinar Series June 14, 2016 2pm Eastern



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# We are Recording

Handouts available now in Control Panel

# **Ask Questions**

The speakers await you in the Questions Box!

# Have fun

Get in touch with us if you have any problems



#### **Nathalie Preptit** Director of Outreach Services and Partner Engagement Tennessee Rural Partnership



# **Tennessee Rural Partnership**

**Connecting Clinicians with Communities** 

Rural Recruitment Innovations Through Partnerships and Collaboration

Our Mission : Maximize access to primary care in rural and underserved areas of Tennessee.



### **Poll Question**



*True/False*: I have the proper tools and resources to recruit primary care providers to my practice.



## Who We Are

of Connecting Clinicians with Communities

Celebrating 10 YEARS

- Private, Non-Profit
- Est. 2006
- Services are Free to Both Candidates and Communities
- 2012 Subsidiary of Tennessee Hospital Association
- Healthcare Workforce Network Partner with TPCA
  - Recruitment & Retention
  - Education & Awareness
  - Community Connection & Support



## **Building Partnerships and Networks**

- Expanding access to primary care in rural and underserved communities can't be done by one organization alone.
- Our network is an integrated vertical structure comprised of medical schools, hospitals, rural health clinics, community health centers, private medical practices, community-based organizations, the Tennessee Department of Health and other interested stakeholders, such as Association Health the Rural of Tennessee (RHAT), the Tennessee Primary Care Association (TPCA) and **Tennessee Hospital Association (THA).**
- We are open to expanding our workforce network with partners who support our mission.

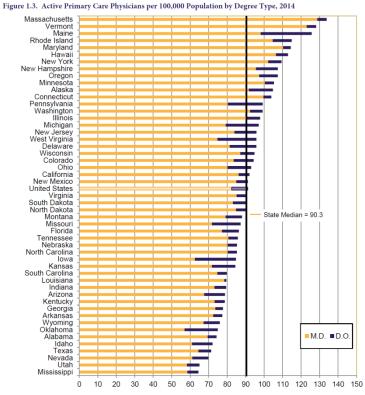






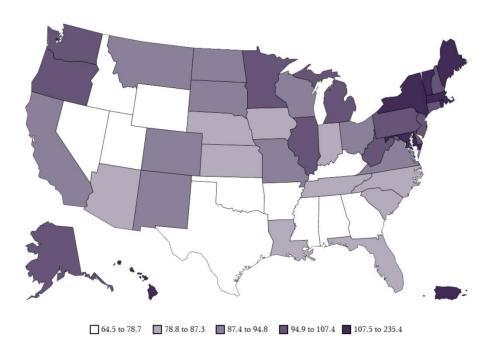
### **Physician Shortage**

#### 3. Active Primary Care Physicians per 100,000 Population by Degree Type, 2014



Sources: July 1, 2014, population estimates are from the U.S. Census Bureau (Release date: December 2014). Physician data are from the 2015 AMA Physician Masterfile (December 31, 2014). Physicians whose school type was unavailable (n=16) are excluded.

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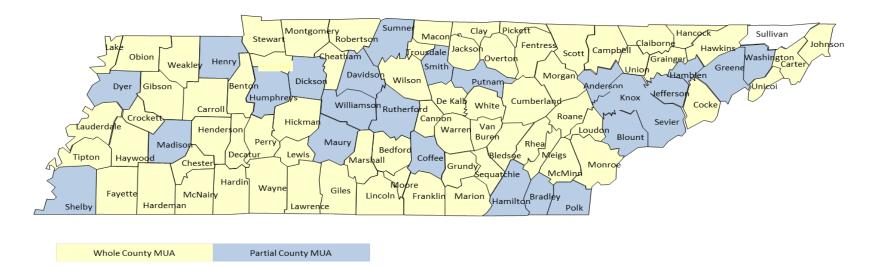


#### Federally Designated Primary Shortage Areas, 2013



## **Physician Shortages in TN**

Medically Underserved Areas (MUAs)/Medically Underserved Populations (MUPs) Health Professional Shortage Areas, May, 2014



- For every Family Medicine/ General Practice provider there are 3,059 patients
- For every Psychiatric provider there are 11,801 patients
- For every Obstetrics & Gynecology provider there are 7,732 patients



# Bridging the Gap

### For Practices:

- Free Primary Care Candidate Sourcing
- Share Practice Opportunities with Medical Residents, Students, NPs & PAs
- Community Practice Incentive

## For Primary Care

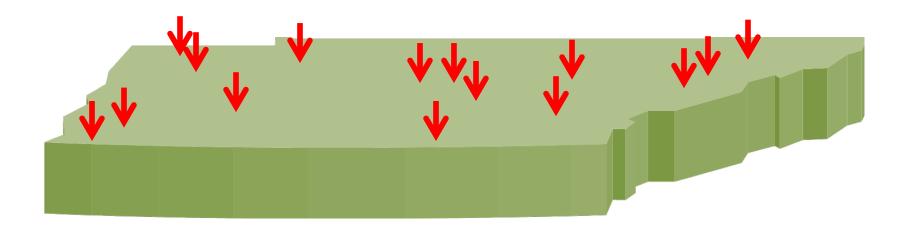
## <u>Clinicians:</u>

- Database of Available Opportunities
- Stipends & Incentives
- Rural Rotations
- Webinars & Presentations on Rural Healthcare





# Actively Engaged in Building Relationships with Communities Throughout the State





## **Building Community**



We work to establish personal relationships with communities across Tennessee, to ensure quality job opportunities.



### **Poll Question**



How do you recruit for primary care providers?



## **Building Relationships**



The key to TRP's success lies in our unyielding manner in how we build we relationships and the services we provide...

#### We go to where the potential providers are!



#### **Rural Exposure**



#### **TRP Rural Rotations**

Provides health profession students with community-oriented, primarycare rotations in medically underserved areas

\*\*Application Available on TRP's website\*\*



#### Dr. Jamii Johnson – 2015 Placement

Comments from his rural rotation: -

"The most rewarding aspects of practicing in a rural area were the closer relationships with patients and the broader scope of practice. There was never a dull moment.

Dr. Ilia operated an outpatient clinic, performed a plethora of procedures, did inpatient medicine, emergency room work and cared for nursing home patients. Surprisingly, this was exactly how I intended to practice medicine and so I decided to pursue rural medicine."





#### **Rural Exposure**



#### **CHEERS**

The CHEERS Program provides rotations

to the following student disciplines:

- masters-level nursing students
- medical students
- physician assistant students



#### **Rural Exposure**





#### Results

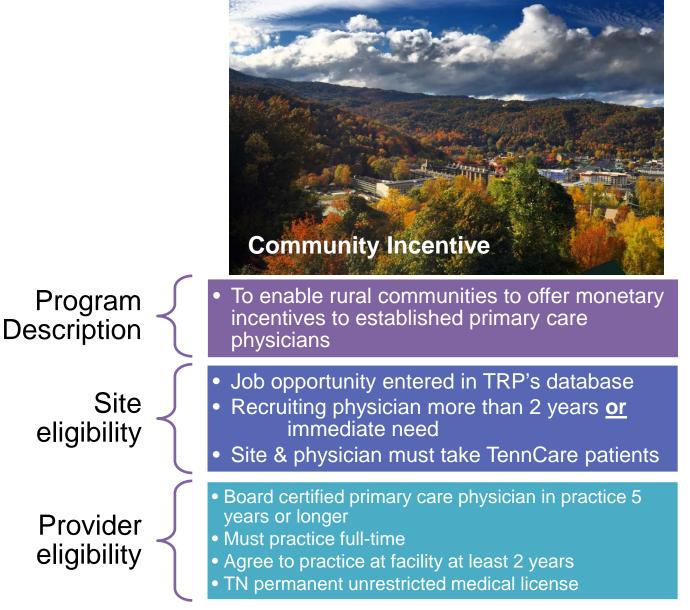
### • 116 Placements

- 43 Placed in Community Health Centers
- o54 Counties
- o67% Original
- 83% remaining Rural





### **Innovative Aid**





#### **Innovative** Aid

#### Tennessee Rural Partnership Resident's Stipend Program

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Eligibility	<ul> <li>U.S. Citizen (born or naturalized) or U.S.</li> <li>National</li> <li>Primary care physician in a TN residency program</li> <li>Physicians with TN affiliations in out-of- state primary care residency programs who are interested in practicing in TN</li> </ul>
Tax Liability	Taxable income
Where you Can Serve	TRP approved     practice location in
	a rural and/or underserved area • No HPSA Requirement

#### **NP/PA Incentive Program**

Eligibility	First-year nurse practitioner <u>students or</u> <u>First-year physician</u> <u>assistant student</u> in an accredited Tennessee program. Out-of-state nurse practitioner students may be accepted by exception.
Tax Liability	Taxable Income
Process	<ol> <li>Complete rural rotation (up to \$7,500)</li> <li>Practice at TRP- approved rural site for 1-yr (up to \$7,500)</li> <li>Remain at practice site for 2<sup>nd</sup> yr (\$10,000 at year end)</li> </ol>
Award Amount	Maximum possible - \$25,000



#### Other Available Aid

#### Tennessee State Loan Repayment Program

Eligibility	<ul> <li>U.S. Citizen (born or naturalized) or</li> <li>U.S. National</li> <li>Qualified primary care practitioners</li> </ul>
Tax Liability	Not Taxable
Where you Can Serve	<ul> <li>Qualifying ambulatory public or non- profit primary care facilitates</li> <li>Must be located in designated HPSAs</li> </ul>
Initial Award Amount	2 Years Full-Time: up to \$50,000

#### NHSC Loan Repayment Program

Eligibility	<ul> <li>U.S. Citizen (born or naturalized) or U.S. National</li> <li>Licensed health care providers in the specialties of primary care, dental, or mental/behavioral health</li> </ul>
Tax Liability	Not Taxable
Where you Can Serve	NHSC-approved sites in HPSAs
Initial Award Amount HPSA 14+	2 Years Full-Time: up to \$50,000 2 Years Half-Time: up to \$25,000
Initial Award Amount HPSA 0-13	2 Years Full-Time: up to \$30,000 2 Years Half-Time: up to \$15,000



### **State Partnerships**



- Monthly Workforce Meetings to discuss areas of need
- Active partnership in recruiting primary care providers to rural TN
- State Organizational member of 3RNET



#### **State Partnerships**



- CHEERS rural rotations program
  - Participation in annual conference and events
- Education Outreach to Membership
- Provide candidate sourcing
- TRP Board representation



### **Poll Question**



*True/False*: I am actively engaged with my Primary Care Association.



#### TNAFP TENNESSEE ACADEMY OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS

- TRP Board Representation
- Outreach to medical student members and providers already in practice
- Exhibit at state and national conference



#### **Building a Pipeline of Health Professionals**





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**TRP HOSA Symposia** 



### **Poll Question**



*True/False*: I partner with other entities in my state and nationwide to help me with my recruitment needs.



### Highlights

- Building Trusted Relationships
- Provide Educational Tools
- Direct Feedback
- Development of strong pipeline
- Providing new resources
- Strong collaboration efforts

### Challenges

- Communication Breakdown
- Strained Resources
- Scheduling
- Limited financial resources
- Differing view points
- Not enough hours in the day

#### **Questions and Answers**



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# Thank you

# **Stay in touch!**

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