Meeting the Health Care Needs of the Commonwealth

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Kentucky Health Rankings (Deaths)

- Heart Disease 6th
- Cancer 1st
- Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease 1st
- Stroke 8th
- Diabetes 7th





Profile of Kentucky Physicians

- Active Physicians 225 per 100,000 people (36th)
- Active Primary Care Physicians 79 per 100,000 people (40th)
- % of Physicians Age >60 years 28% (26th)
- Total Residents/Fellows 25 per 100,000 people (36th)
- Total Residents/Fellows in Primary Care 8 per 100,000 people (40th)
- % of Physicians Retained In-State from Undergrad Medical Education – 46% (12th)
- % of Physicians Retained In-State from Graduate Medical Education – 46% (21st)



Source: AAMC 2015

Key Takeaways

- We need to address our health disparities
- Kentucky needs more Physicians and Residents
 - Especially in Primary Care
 - Especially in Rural Areas
- We do a good job of retaining physicians that we train here



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- Physicians who train in satellite areas are more likely to stay in those areas to practice (60-70%)
- Greatest need is outside of the Bluegrass region
 - Particular needs in eastern Kentucky and west-central Kentucky
 - Must have both didactic and clinical training facilities





- Bowling Green
 - Collaborations with Western Kentucky University and The Medical Center
- Morehead/Ashland
 - Collaborations with Morehead State University, St. Claire Regional Hospital (Morehead) and King's Daughter's Medical Center (Ashland)



Bowling Green

- Four year medical training program
- Combined distance education and onsite didactic education
- Collaboration with Western Kentucky University for didactic education
 - Opportunity for Western Kentucky University and Gatton Academy students (potential slots)
- Clinical training at The Medical Center
 - Participation by staff from The Medical Center
- Inclusion/expansion of graduate medical education
 - Both primary and specialty training



Morehead/Ashland

- Three year (year round) medical training program focused on primary care
- Expansion of successful Rural Physician Leadership Program
- Combined distance education and onsite didactic education
- Collaboration with Morehead State University for didactic education
 - Opportunity for Morehead State University and Craft Academy students (potential slots)
- Clinical training at St. Claire Regional, King's Daughters and others
 - Participation by medical staff from institutions
- Inclusion of graduate medical education





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