Healthy Minnesota and the Medical School

THE U OF M is poised to tackle the major chronic illnesses facing Minnesotans

WITH COMMUNITY-BASED MODELS OF HEALTH CARE, WE’RE WORKING TO KEEP MINNESOTA ONE OF THE HEALTHIEST STATES.

Minnesotans lack sufficient access to up-to-date health information resources

Together, the University of Minnesota’s health science schools form one of the largest, most comprehensive academic health centers in the nation. We’re delivering excellent patient care and breakthrough research, and training the next generation of leading health professionals.

There are current and projected shortages of health care professionals in Minnesota

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Healthy Minnesota Proposal

- Develop a statewide network of up to six interdisciplinary primary care teaching clinics
- Expand education and training programs to address workforce shortages in dentistry, mental health, and geriatrics
- Encourage students from underrepresented communities to pursue health professional careers
- Increase scholarships and programs for students who choose to provide care in underserved communities
- Create a Minnesota Electronic Health Library

Benefits

- New community-based models of health care to better serve aging and diverse populations
- A diverse and more robust health professional workforce
- Access to comprehensive clinical care information and resources for all Minnesotans

Medical School Proposal

- Hire over 50 top researchers to form medical discovery teams
- Address looming physician shortage in underserved areas
- Secure new grants
- Support medical innovation
- Strengthen U of M research

Benefits

- Improve access and quality of care for Minnesotans
- Increase National Institutes of Health funding
- Elevate the Medical School’s national standing
- Produce new treatments and cures for chronic diseases and conditions

Healthy Minnesota Request

FY16: $7.5 million
FY17: $18 million
Biennial total: $25.5 million

The Medical School Request

FY16: $5 million
FY17: $25 million
Biennial total: $30 million