MiDocs

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Sec. 1870. The department shall continue to work with the MiDocs consortium to explore alternative graduate medical education financing sources and mechanisms that expand residency opportunities for primary care training, per approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. By December 1 of the current fiscal year, the MiDocs consortium shall submit a report presenting a comprehensive funding plan to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the department budget and the senate and house fiscal agencies.



Report from the MiDocs Consortium PA 268 of 2016

The five members of the MIDocs consortium (Central Michigan University, Michigan State University, University of Michigan, Wayne State University, and Western Michigan University) have agreed to form a formal fiduciary organization, which will receive and distribute funds to create new Graduate Medical Education residency slots. These slots will be added to existing and/or new primary care and other needed medical specialty residency programs. The residents will spend a significant amount of their training in underserved rural and urban communities addressing the physician workforce needs in those communities. The consortium will partner with the Michigan Area Health Education Centers (MI-AHEC) to design and implement the program. It is anticipated that MI-Docs will include a combination of state general funds and Federal Medicaid matching funds. The consortium plans to fund a pilot program starting in academic year 2018, which will require state funding in the FY18 budget.

In FY17, funds in the amount of \$500,000 will be provided to MI-AHEC for the explicit purposes of:

- 1. Establishing a nonprofit entity for the purpose of management of the MIDOCS consortium.
- 2. Setting up the fiduciary for the MIDOCs consortium.