

145.9272 FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP GRANT PROGRAM.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Apprentice" means an employee participating in a registered apprenticeship program.

(c) "Federally qualified health center" has the meaning given in section 145.9269, subdivision 1.

(d) "Nonprofit organization of community health centers" means a nonprofit organization, the membership of which consists of federally qualified health centers operating service delivery sites in Minnesota and that provides services to federally qualified health centers in Minnesota to promote the delivery of affordable, quality primary care services in the state.

(e) "Registered apprenticeship program" means an employer or organization registered with the Department of Labor and Industry under chapter 178.

Subd. 2. **Registered apprenticeship grant program.** The commissioner of health shall distribute a grant to a nonprofit organization of community health centers for registered apprenticeship programs in federally qualified health centers operating in Minnesota. Grant money must be used to establish new registered apprenticeship programs and fund ongoing costs for existing registered apprenticeship programs for medical assistants, dental assistants, and other health care occupations at federally qualified health center service delivery sites in Minnesota. Apprentices must be recruited from federally qualified health center staff and from the population in the geographic area served by the federally qualified health center.

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