



**State of Utah Department of Health  
Conrad State-30 J-1 Visa Waiver Program**



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**CRITERIA TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR FLEX SLOTS**

The sponsoring agency must meet the criteria established by the Utah Department of Health to be determined eligible for the Flex Slots. Flex Slots may **ONLY** be granted to agencies that are **NOT** located in federally designated Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSA). The criteria used to determine eligibility includes the following:

- a) Serve medically underserved individuals that come from federally designated primary care health professional shortage areas (HPSAs);
- b) A minimum of 10.2 percent of clients served must be considered underserved by the State of Utah (based on the State of Utah average for 2005 that 10.2% of the population are persons living in poverty);
- c) A minimum of 11.6 percent of clients served must lack health insurance coverage (based on the State of Utah 2005 percent of persons who lacked health insurance coverage);
- d) Have in place an established charitable policy and sliding fee schedule that provides services regardless of clients ability to pay; and
- e) Information that supports the need for the J-1 physician that includes the annual number of clients turned away and the length of time clients must wait in order to get an appointment for health care services.

Documented evidence **must** be supplied for each of the five (5) criteria listed above.