MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREAS AND POPULATIONS TARGETING RESOURCES TO AREAS OF NEED

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WHY SHORTAGE AREAS?

- ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES TO AREAS OF GREATEST NEED
- COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTERS TARGETED TO MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREAS & POPULATIONS
- OTHER PROGRAMS USE THESE TWO DESIGNATIONS TO TARGET RESOURCES AS WELL
 - Rural Health Clinics
 - J1 Visa Waiver Physicians

CURRENT MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREA/POPULATION CRITERIA

- Rational Service Area (RSA)
- Criteria Components
 - Percent of Population at or below 100% Poverty
 - Percent Population ≥ 65 years old
 - Infant Mortality Rate
 - Primary care physicians per 1,000 Population
- Index of Medical Underservice
 - Weighted sum of above components
 - Value must be < 62.0
- Population groups with barriers to care within a geographic area also designatable (e.g. low income, migrant farmworkers)
- Governor's designations for unique circumstances

How Can I Find Out Where MUA/Ps Are??

MUA List databases

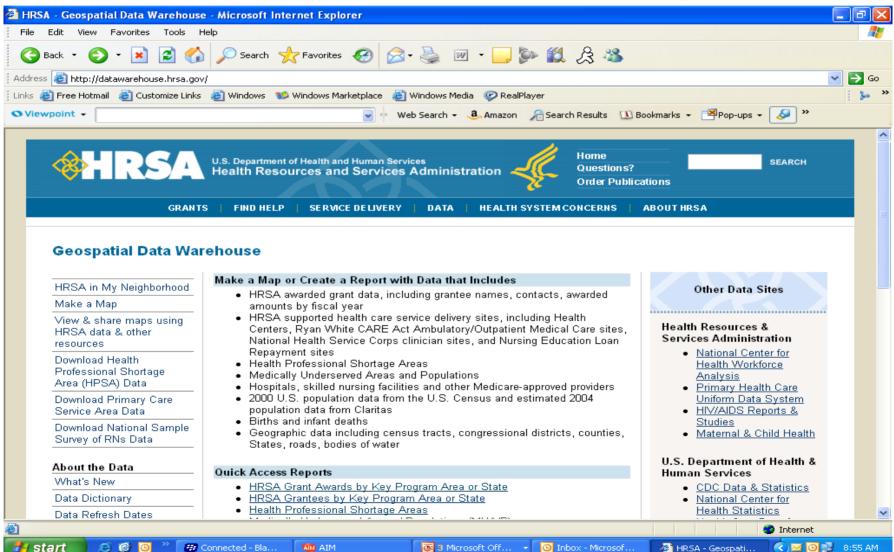
- www.bhpr.hrsa.gov
- http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/shortage/index.htm

HRSA GEOSPATIAL WAREHOUSE

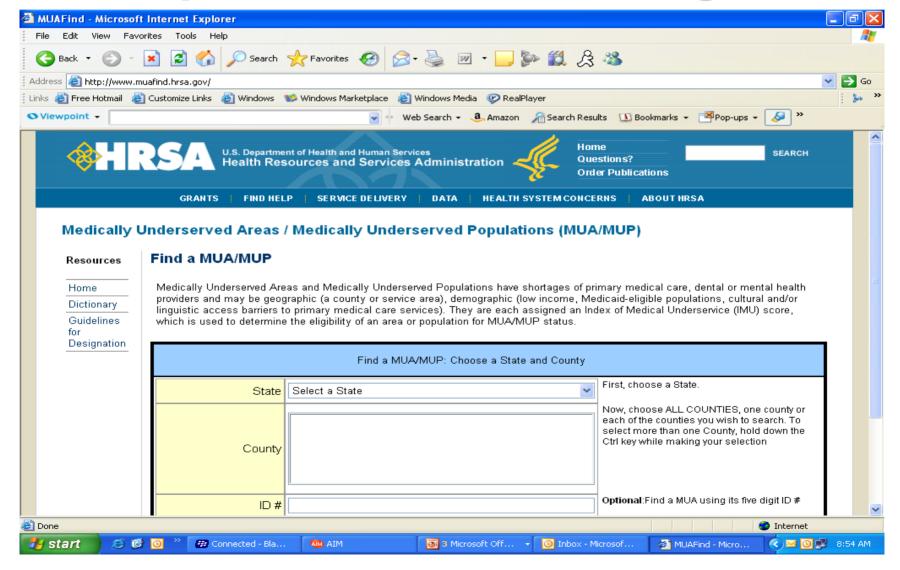
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1-800-400-2742

HRSA DATAWAREHOUSE HOME PAGE http://datawarehouse.hrsa.gov/

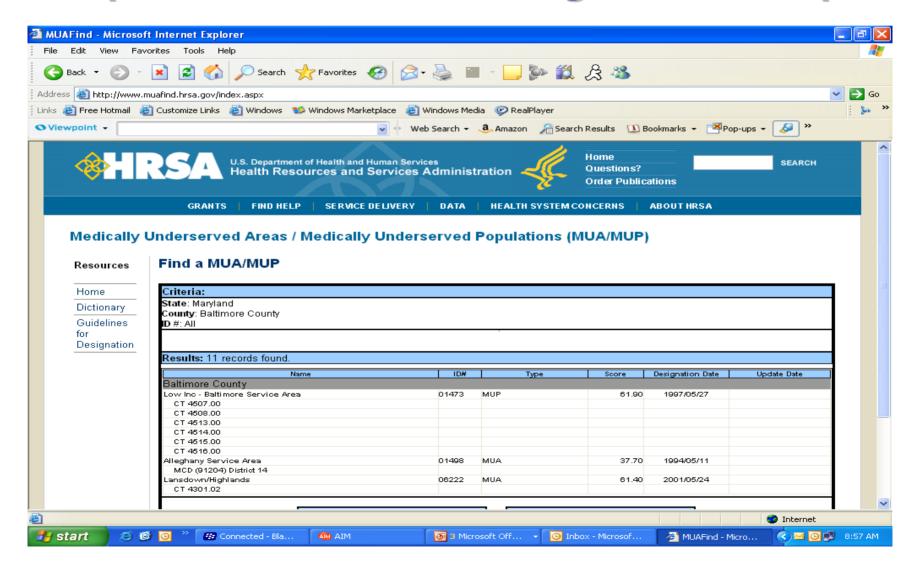


FIND A MUA/MUP http://www.muafind.hrsa.gov/



MUA/MUP LISTING

http://www.muafind.hrsa.gov/index.aspx



How Do I Find Out If a Site is in a MUA/P?

 Need a physical address to geolocate a site in a county, census tract, or census division

 Match the census location to the MUA/P listing described earlier

How Do I Locate the Census Tracts or Census Divisions?

GO TO:

http://factfinder.census.gov

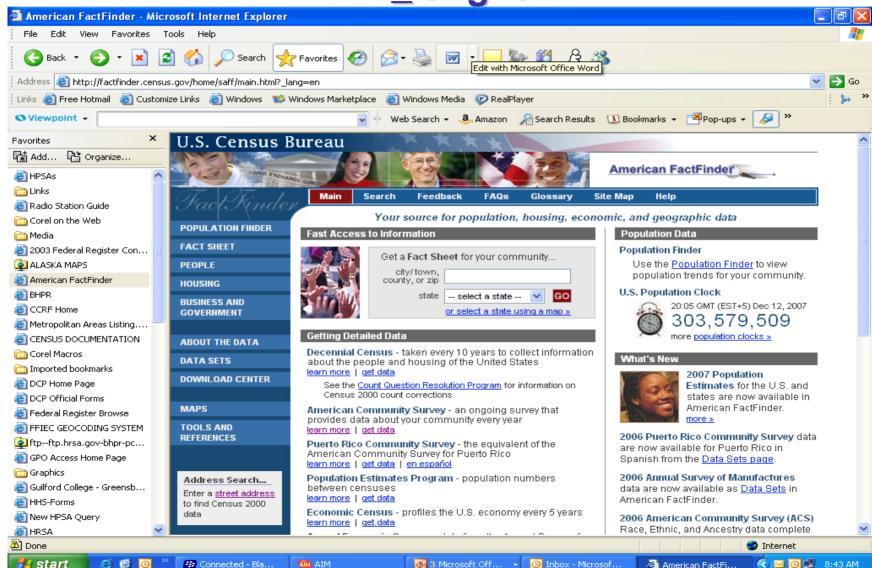
LOOK FOR ADDRESS SEARCH ON THE LEFT-HAND SIDE

ENTER THE ADDRESS

CENSUS LOCATION WILL DISPLAY ONCE YOU HIT ENTER

ADDRESS SEARCH SCREEN

http://factfinder.census.gov/home/saff/main.ht ml?_lang=en



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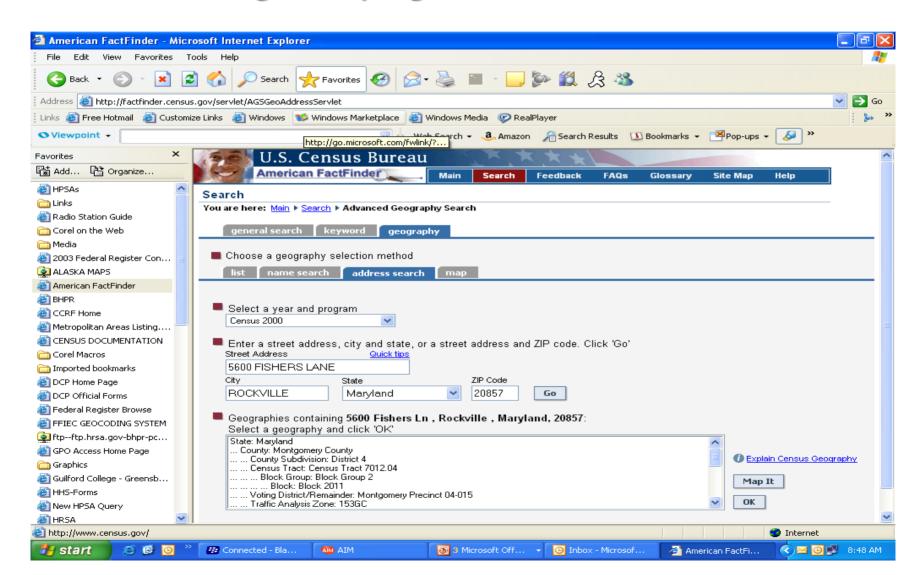
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CENSUS LOCATION FOR ADDRESS

http://factfinder.census.gov/servlet/AGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/AGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/AGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/AGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/aGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/aGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/aGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/aGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/aGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/aGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/aGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/aGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/servlet/aGSGeoAddressServlet/actfinder.census.gov/serv



How Do I Tell if the Site Falls into the Census Divisions that are Designated?

• COMPARE THE CENSUS LOCATION FROM AMERICAN FACTFINDER TO THE MUA/MUP LISTING TO SEE IF THERE ARE ANY MATCHES

IF SO, THE SITE IS LOCATED IN AN MUA/P

HOW DO I GET A NEW MUA/P OR UPDATE AN OLD ONE?

- State Primary Care Offices are the first point of contact:
 - http://nhsc.bhpr.hrsa.gov/resources/info/p co.asp
- Requests can also be submitted directly to our office:
 - See last slide for address
 - Application has to address the criteria on slide 3; no formal application format

Designation Information

- MUA/P guidelines
 - www.bhpr.hrsa.gov/shortage
- MUA/P Lists
 - -www.datawarehouse.hrsa.gov
- HRSA Information Center
 - **-1-800-400-2742**

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