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# **Congressman Rodney Alexander**

## **5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Louisiana**

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## **Alexander announces funding for two 5th District primary health care centers**

WASHINGTON, D.C.--U.S. Rep. Rodney Alexander, R-Quitman, announced today that two grants will be awarded to 5th District community health care centers.

Alexander, a member of the House Appropriations Committee, said that the Innis Community Health Care Center will receive a federal grant totaling \$909,375 and the Rapides Primary Health Care Center will receive a federal grant totaling \$542,718.

The funds, disbursed by the Department of Health & Human Services, will benefit 5th Congressional District residents by improving local primary health centers.

**"These grants will help improve health care facilities and expand health care availability for my constituents,"** Alexander said.

**"Prior to serving in Congress, I was chairman of the Health and Welfare Committee in the state Legislature. I knew then how important it is to secure funding for health care services and facilities, and I've carried those same priorities with me to Capitol Hill. I'm grateful that these two primary health care centers will receive this much needed funding."**

The Consolidated Health Center Program promotes the development and operation of community-based primary health care service systems in medically underserved areas and improves the health status of medically underserved populations.

This program is geared toward ensuring the availability and accessibility of essential primary and preventative health services to the people who have the most limited access to services and face the greatest barriers to care.

For more information on these grants, contact Victor Kirk, with the Rapides Primary Health Care Center, Inc. at 318-487-4400 or Linda K. Matessino, with the Innis Community Health Care Center, Inc. at 225-492-3775.