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## President's High Growth Job Training Initiative

### *Healthcare Workforce Network*



**Grant Amount:** \$215,600

**Grantee:** Northwest Wisconsin Concentrated Employment Program

**Key Partners:** Burnett Medical Center, Grantsburg; Flambeau Hospital, Park Falls; Memorial Health Center, Medford; Memorial Medical Center, Ashland; Northwest Wisconsin Workforce Investment Board, Ashland

**Leveraged Amount:** \$196,000 in cash and in-kind contributions from key partners

**Location of Grant Activities:** Northwest Wisconsin

**Challenge:** Small, rural health care providers often do not have the resources to implement the continuous training and skills-upgrading programs necessary to retain a skilled workforce.

**Addressing the Challenge:** With its \$215,600 grant, the Healthcare Workforce Network will establish ongoing, collaborative relationships among rural health care providers in Northwest Wisconsin and the One-Stop Career Center system. The Healthcare Workforce Network will pool financial, material, and human resources of small, remote hospitals and clinics for the purposes of increasing the supply and retention of health care professionals.

**Projected Outcomes:**

- 300 incumbent workers will complete at least one professional development/skills upgrading module;
- A 15 percent larger pool of candidates interested in training for higher skilled health care occupations will be created.

