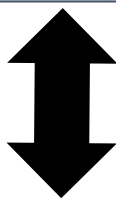


Medical Education and Research Cost (MERC)

INITIAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Sponsoring Institution

Defined in statute as, “a hospital, school, or consortium location in Minnesota that sponsors and maintains primary organizational and financial responsibility for a clinical medical education program in Minnesota and which is accountable to the accrediting body.” Minnesota Statute 62J.692, subdivision 1(e).



Accredited Teaching Program

- Located in Minnesota.
- Accredited during fiscal year of training.
- Ongoing accreditation.
- Students/Residents in clinical training during fiscal year.
- Training eligible provider types (see application).



Clinical Training Site

- Located in Minnesota.
- Facility’s National Provider Identification Number (NPI) actively enrolled in the Minnesota Health Care Program (MHCP).
- Clinical practice location consistent with the MHCP enrollment.
- Providing clinical training in, or under the scope of, an inpatient or ambulatory patient care setting.
- Hosting a minimum of 0.1 eligible FTEs in application’s fiscal year.
- Received MA/PMAP claims reimbursement in the application year.
- Incurred a minimum of \$5,000 in clinical training expenditures related to eligible trainees.
- Federally Qualified Health Centers, Nursing Facilities, and Rural Health Clinics are *not* eligible.