



**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 11.3 percent of clients served must be considered underserved by the State of Utah (based on the State of Utah average for 2015 that 11.3% of the population are persons living in poverty);
- c) A minimum of 10.5 percent of clients served must lack health insurance coverage (based on the State of Utah 2015 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.