

Part I – Agency Profile

Agency Overview

The Idaho Dental Education Program (IDEP) is Idaho's assisted route of access for dental education. There are currently eight (8) seats available for Idaho residents to obtain their dental education. The Program began in 1981 with a cooperative agreement between Idaho State University and The University of Washington School of Dentistry, where five (5) Idaho residents received their dental education. In 1982 the program became a cooperative effort between Creighton University's School of Dentistry in Omaha, Nebraska and Idaho State University in Pocatello, Idaho. The program involves a decentralized first year of education taught at Idaho State University and the second through fourth years taught at Creighton University.

The program currently has five (5) regular employees and five (5) adjunct employees in Pocatello. Dr. Jeff Ybarguen (IDEP graduate) is the program director and works with Dr. Brian Crawford who is the Chair of the Department of Dental Sciences at ISU. Jeri Larsen is the Department Coordinator and works with both the IDEP program and the Idaho Advanced Graduate Dentistry (IAGD) residency program. These programs are located in the same facility at Idaho State University.

Core Functions/Idaho Code

The mission of the Idaho Dental Education Program is two-fold: First, to provide residents of Idaho with ready access to a high quality dental education; and second, to help the population of Idaho have ready access to high quality dental professionals. As the majority of students graduating from the program return to Idaho to practice, residents of the state have access to high quality dental treatment.

Revenue and Expenditures:

Revenue	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
General Fund	\$1,246,500	\$1,315,700	\$1,312,000	\$1,136,900
Unrestricted Current	<u>\$342,600</u>	<u>\$410,900</u>	<u>\$511,200</u>	<u>\$487,800</u>
Total	\$1,589,100	\$1,726,600	\$1,823,200	\$1,824,700
Expenditure	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Personnel Costs	\$330,200	\$334,700	\$319,100	\$331,900
Operating Expenditures	\$12,200	\$6,700	\$30,900	\$12,900
Capital Outlay	\$3,000	\$1,100	\$77,300	\$5,400
Trustee/Benefit Payments	<u>\$1,005,400</u>	<u>\$1,052,600</u>	<u>\$1,095,400</u>	<u>\$1,114,100</u>
Total	\$1,350,800	\$1,395,100	\$1,522,700	\$1,464,300

Profile of Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided

Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Number of Program Applicants	52	45	46	46
Number of Program Applicants Accepted	8	8	8	8
Number of Graduates (since program's inception)	178	186	193	201

Performance Highlights:

The program has been in service since 1981 and has been very successful in accomplishing its mission. Since inception 61% of IDEP graduates have returned to Idaho to practice. The statewide distribution closely follows the state geographic population with 8% of graduates practicing in South Central Idaho, fifteen percent (15%) in Northern, 34% in Southeastern, and 43% in Southwestern Idaho. Seventy percent (70%) of graduates practice general dentistry while 30% practice as specialists. Sixty-five percent practice in Idaho's urban areas with 35% practicing in rural areas. There are currently 8 IDEP graduates furthering their education through residency training and may return to Idaho to practice once they have completed their training.

With approximately six (6) applicants for each seat, the program has been successful in attracting the highest quality students to the program. The average DAT scores and undergraduate GPA's of our students consistently exceed that of the average marks of matriculated students in dental schools nationally. The average scores on the Dental National Board Examination for both Part I and Part II have been consistently higher for IDEP students compared to the Creighton average and national average on the same examinations.

Part II – Performance Measures

Performance Measure	2010	2011	2012	2013	Benchmark
Average student scores on Dental National Boards Part I written examination *	83.1%	84%	86.4%	100% Pass	>70%
Average student scores on Dental National Boards Part II written examination *	82.4%	84.4%	85.6%	100% Pass	>70%
1 st time pass rate on Clinical Board Examination necessary to obtain dental license*	100%	100%	86%	100%	90%
Number of students in the program**	8	8	8	8	10
Average Cost per student***	34%	34%	37%	34%	<50% National Average
Percentage of IDEP Graduates Returning to Idaho to practice ****	50%	33%	50%	60%	>50%

Performance Measure Explanatory Notes:

* This year they made changes to the Dental National Board Examinations (Part I and Part II). Students will no longer be given a numerical score. The will be scored and either “pass” or “fail.”

** Our goal has been to expand the program to facilitate 10 students per year. We currently have 8 students per year in the program and understand that potential expansion of the program will not be considered under the current economic climate. We are exploring the possibility of expanding the contract to 10 students at the same cost, to the State of Idaho, as 8 students.

*** The cost per DDSE (DDS Equivalent) is a commonly utilized measure to evaluate the relative cost of a dental education program. This information is tabulated in the *ADA Survey of Dental Education*, published by the American Dental Association. From this publication (inflation Adjusted) the national average cost per student for state programs is \$132,822 in 2013. The IDEP cost per student for 2013 was \$45,759 (34% of the national average). The program is accomplishing the goal of providing a competitive value in educating Idaho dentists.

**** Our goal is to have greater than 50% of our program participants return to Idaho to practice Dentistry. 3 of the eight 2013 graduates are furthering their education through post-graduate residency programs and may return to Idaho at the completion of their residency training. 3 of the 5 2013 graduates entering private practice have returned to Idaho. Three past IDEP graduates that have completed post-graduate residency programs this year have returned to Idaho to practice.

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