

Part I – Agency Profile

Agency Overview

Idaho WWAMI provides Idaho medical students with the opportunity to complete medical school in Idaho, thereby developing their familiarity with the healthcare needs of the State and region, and increasing the likelihood that they will remain in Idaho communities to practice medicine. In 2015, Idaho WWAMI, through the University of Washington School of Medicine (UWSOM), launched a new 18-month curriculum that allows Idaho residents to spend the majority of their four years of medical education in Idaho. Historically, WWAMI students would complete their first year at the regional campus and then complete their second year in Seattle on the UW main campus. With this curriculum renewal, second year content was merged with the first year content to create an 18-month model that incorporates an integrated curriculum with enhanced clinical preparation. The 18-month curriculum is referred to as the “Foundations Phase” that allows for an overlap of the first and second year students in the fall semesters at the University of Idaho. In fall of 2017, UI WWAMI enrolled a total of 80 students. Forty of those students will have completed the foundation phase of this new curriculum by the end of fall semester at the University of Idaho’s (UI) Moscow campus. After completing the foundation phase, students have the opportunity to complete their clinical training requirements throughout clinical sites in Idaho. These clinical rotations are coordinated through the Idaho WWAMI Medical Education Program office in Boise.

The Director for the Foundation Phase of WWAMI at UI reports to the Provost and Executive Vice President at UI, and also functions as an Assistant Dean of the UWSOM. The Director for the Patient Care Phase (3rd year) and the Explore and Focus Phase (4th year) of the WWAMI located in Boise reports to the Vice Dean for Academic, Rural and Regional Affairs at UWSOM, and also serves as an Assistant Dean for the UWSOM in Idaho. WWAMI at UI employs thirty-four part-time faculty (shared with other academic programs, as well as hospitals and clinics) and five administrative staff. Idaho students admitted to the WWAMI are interviewed and selected by the Idaho Admissions Committee, a group of four Idaho physicians appointed by the Idaho State Board of Education, who work in cooperation with the University of Washington School of Medicine Admissions Committee.

Idaho WWAMI is committed to helping prepare physicians for medical practice in Idaho, regardless of eventual specialty selection, as well as increasing the number of physicians who choose to practice in rural or underserved areas. WWAMI was awarded two grants that help support the mission of the WWAMI Program; Northern Idaho Area Health Education Center and the Idaho Project ECHO, which are two distinct programs that focus on rural communities and health disparities in Idaho. There is also a strong commitment to the partnership between excellence in research and teaching in medical education. UI WWAMI faculty successfully brought in \$1M of research funding in 2017-2018, and averages approximately \$1M on a yearly basis. Cutting-edge research prepares the next generation of doctors to be well-informed and at the forefront of clinical medical practice. The WWAMI faculty at the University of Idaho and our clinical/research faculty in Boise, Pocatello, Jerome, Caldwell, Coeur d’Alene, Idaho Falls, McCall, Sandpoint, Hailey, and other rural training communities are committed to being dynamic teachers and informed biomedical scholars.

In addition, Idaho WWAMI goals include the continued development of humanitarian and service interests of our medical students, and recruitment from groups within Idaho that are traditionally underrepresented in medical school populations. WWAMI has established outreach programs to high schools and community colleges to encourage and prepare talented Idaho students from rural, underprivileged, or minority backgrounds who have an interest in medicine and health careers.

Core Functions/Idaho Code

The core function of Idaho WWAMI at the University of Idaho is to provide qualified Idaho residents with access to and education in medical training as part of the Idaho State Board of Education’s contract with the University of Washington School of Medicine. Idaho Code **§33-3720** authorizes the State Board of Education to enter into contractual agreements to provide access for Idaho residents to qualified professional studies programs, and specifically, the WWAMI Medical Education Program (33-3717B(7)).

Revenue and Expenditures

Revenue	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
General Fund	\$3,962,000	\$4,638,900.00	\$4,876,100	\$5,303,400
Unrestricted Current	888,326	1,201,281	1,755,472	1,757,741
Total	\$4,850,326	\$5,840,181	\$6,631,572.00	\$7,061,141
Expenditures	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Personnel Costs	\$994,523	\$1,522,133	\$1,804,940	\$1,922,826
Operating Expenditures	230,646	353,226	564,226	2,506,996 ⁷
Capital Outlay	20,414	71,852.00	114,167	218,117
Trustee/Benefit Payments	3,082,348	3,637,954.00	3,239,149	3,803,860
Total	\$4,327,931	\$5,585,165	\$5,722,483	8,451,799

Profile of Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided

Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Number of Idaho Students Applying to UW Medical School (WWAMI)	157	141	164	163
- Average GPA ID WWAMI	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7
- Average MCAT Score ID WWAMI	10.0	503	537	507
Number of Idaho Students Admitted to UW Medical School	30	35	40	40
Number/Percentage of Idaho WWAMI Graduates who have practiced in Idaho (cumulative)	287/51%	292/51%	301/50%	321/51%

Part II – Performance Measures

Performance Measure	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	
GOAL 1: A WELL EDUCATED CITIZENRY –Continuously improve access to medical education for individuals of all backgrounds, ages, abilities, and economic means.						
1. Number of Idaho WWAMI medical school applicants per year and the ratio of Idaho applicants per funded medical student seat.	actual	157 6.28:1	141 4.7:1	164 4.68:1	163 4.08:1	-----
	target	4.075:1 ¹	4.075:1 ¹	5:1 ¹	5:1 ¹	5:1 ¹
2. Cumulative Idaho WWAMI return rate for graduates who practice medicine in Idaho.	actual	51%	51%	50%	51%	-----
	target	41% ⁴	41% ⁴	41% ⁴	41% ⁴	41% ⁴
GOAL 2: CRITICAL THINKING AND INNOVATION - WWAMI will provide an environment for the development of new ideas, and practical and theoretical knowledge to foster the development of biomedical researchers, medical students, and future physicians who contribute to the health and wellbeing of Idaho’s people and communities.						
3. Average Pass rate on the U.S. Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE), Steps 1 & 2, taken during medical training.	actual	100%	100%	100%	97%	-----
	target	91% ²	91% ²	91% ²	95% ²	95% ²
GOAL 3: Effective and Efficient Delivery Systems – Deliver medical education, training, research, and service in a manner which makes efficient use of resources and contributes to the successful completion of our medical education program goals for Idaho.						
4. Number of WWAMI rural summer training placements in Idaho each year in the Rural Underserved Opportunities Program (RUOP).	actual	26	23	22	29	-----
	target	10 ³	20 ³	20 ³	20 ³	20 ³

Performance Measure		FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
5. Ratio of all WWAMI graduates who return to practice medicine in Idaho, regardless of WWAMI origin, divided by the total number of Idaho medical student graduates funded by the State.	actual	72%	75%	75%	75% ⁶	-----
	target	>60%	>60%	>60%	>60%	>60%
6. Percent of Idaho WWAMI graduates choosing primary care, psychiatry, general surgery, and OB/GYN specialties for residency training each year.	actual	64%	47%	59%	71%	-----
	target	50% ⁵				

Performance Measure Explanatory Notes

<https://www.aamc.org/data/facts/applicantmatriculant/>

1. This is the national ratio of in-state applicants per admitted students (2016)
2. U.S. Pass Rate (reference: USMLE Performance Data, <https://www.usmle.org/performance-data/> Pass rate has increased to 95% from 91%. Accurate rate is reflected on PMR, changed from template.
3. The target is 50% interest in rural training experiences
4. This is the national return rate for all medical schools in the U.S. (reference: 2015 State Physician Workforce Book, <https://www.aamc.org/data/workforce/reports/442830/statedataandreports.html>)
5. This target rate is per WWAMI mission
6. 2017 WWAMI Non-Idaho Return numbers included.
7. Operating Expenditures for FY18 increase is one-time in nature and due to WWAMI fund transfers to capital projects

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