

## Colorado Rural Mobile Health Project Project Update

<b>Name of Applicant:</b>	University of Colorado School of Dentistry <i>Aurora, Adams County</i>
<b>Organization and Project</b> <p>The University of Colorado School of Dentistry proposed to purchase a 3-chair, self-contained mobile dental clinic to staff with dental students and serve rural and underserved children. The unit was to be purchased to begin operations in January 2007 as part of the Colorado SmileMakers program.</p> <p>They intend to provide a broad scope of services focusing on oral health screenings, preventive services, and disease control.</p> <p>The funds provided with the CRMHP grant were to provide services in Eagle County in September 2007 and NE Colorado in the summer of 2007.</p>	
<b>Funding Status</b> <p>They were awarded \$48,500 for each of the two projects (Eagle and NE Colorado) for a total of \$97,000.</p> <p>As the site visits are still not scheduled, no funds have been distributed yet.</p>	
<b>Update – June 2007</b> <p>While they have had discussions with staff in both NE Colorado, and Eagle County, site visit dates have not been set. The mobile unit has been delivered to Colorado, but has been stuck for a month in limbo trying to get paperwork verified for a license. They also have some equipment still to be installed.</p> <p>They are still in search of dentist to be the faculty preceptors to work with the students and provide treatment. Gary Dunkle, who was with Salud for many years, will help with Grand County; two dentists who just moved to Yuma will help in NE CO while their practice gears up; another dentist has been found in Eagle.</p> <p>They have students scheduled to for April/May to provide screenings at rural community schools using portable equipment and identifying dental care needs and eligibility for mobile clinic treatment.</p> <p>The unit was delivered and available on May 25<sup>th</sup>. It made its maiden voyage to Grand County, where it stayed for one week. Report is pending.</p>	