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Grant No.	Facility	Project Category	Project Description	City	Grant Award
001	Upper Rio Grand Health Clinic	Physical Plant Improvement	<u>Obj:</u> Make physical plant improvements to meet standard and codes. <u>Results:</u> Handicapped ramp was replaced for year round accessibility. Ambulance entrance was repaired to increase accessibility. Front entry remodeled to comply with ADA. Partition wall completed to create privacy between waiting and exam rooms. Reception desk moved to allow better service to patients. Roof was repaired. Bathroom door moved to increase privacy. Hot water heater purchased and plumbing improved. Flooring was repaired.	South Fork	\$ 49,375.00
007	Dolores County Health Association Community Health Center	Physical Plant Improvement	This project has an extension until December 31, 2010	Dove Creek	\$ 50,000.00
008	The Pediatric Associates	Equipment & Supplies	<u>Obj:</u> Purchase of durable medical equipment, remodel, add computer room. <u>Results:</u> The acquisition of efficient medical equipment has contributed to staff proficiency in moving patients through the office in a timely manner. Quality control, particularly for vaccine storage, is no longer a concern due to the purchase of a reliable refrigerator. Addition of computer room has served to house the equipment in a safe, controlled atmosphere. Security for data systems has been increased.	Montrose	\$ 32,493.00
014	Monte Vista Medical Clinic	Health Information Technology	<u>Obj:</u> Purchase and implement EMR in Monte Vista clinic. <u>Results:</u> Continuity of care has improved. Monte Vista saw approximately 3100 patients in a year. Patients aren't tasked with bringing their previous medical record with them and the provider has quick accessibility to previous treatment and care. Lab results from the hospital are transmitted immediately after completion so results are obtained quicker. Orders from both x-ray and lab testing can be done electronically and has saved the physicians time. Fewer medications errors, provider satisfaction, chronic disease management improvement, and e-prescribing.	Monte Vista	\$ 50,000.00
015	Eads Clinic & Wiley Clinic - Kiowa County Hospital District	Health Information Technology	Report in process.	Eads	\$ 50,000.00
019a	The Family Wellness Center	Health Information Technology; Training; Equipment & Supplies	This project has an extension until December 31, 2010	Frisco	\$ 15,000.00

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019b	Social Emotional Wellness Program	Health Information Technology	<p><u>Obj:</u> To increase the availability and accessibility of mental health services in Summit county through improved information and technology. To increase the availability of therapeutic environments through staff training and education of primary care providers of young children. <u>Results:</u> Collaborated and developed a website for all Summit County that included all Mental Health options available. Identified 58 mental health resources, trained 21 Early Care and Education Teachers to support and intervene with children with significant emotional/behavioral issues. Over 90% of the teachers trained reported an increase in their effectiveness in working with children with significant emotional/behavioral issues as well as an improvement in the behavior issues observed by the children. Developed a leadership team to bring a best practice methodology throughout the county called the Pyramid Model.</p>	Silverthorne	\$ 18,500.00
021	Southeast Colorado Medical Clinic	Health Information Technology	<p><u>Obj:</u> Purchase IBM server from Healthland. Results: Purchased server. The server supports patient scheduler and provides the needed capacity to continue the plan to implement a full Electronic Medical Record (EMR) System.</p>	Springfield	\$ 50,000.00
022	Centennial Mental Health Center	Health Information Technology	<p><u>Obj:</u> Increase access to basic, entry level care by providing services via telehealth technology. Centennial defines basic, entry level care to be any of the following: benefit acquisition, mental health intake and evaluation assessments, group therapy services, and in some individualized cases first contact is with the psychiatric team. <u>Results:</u> Provided 19 telehealth and 1,052 telemedicine events to 539 unduplicated clients between July 1, 2009 and May 24, 2010. Now provides immediate access to services provided to all potential clients in each county. Provides services in a client's own community which will result in reduced time spent in non-therapeutic activities and more time available for service acquisition and delivery. Provides services to clients who do not have access to transportation that would be necessary for acquiring services or a great distance from services which are essential for meeting their mental health needs. Provides Evidence Based Services and specialized services offered in all communities. Provides specialized teams of clinicians who provide services from their base offices to all offices across Centennial's service area.</p>	Sterling	\$ 35,204.00

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023	Pediatric Partners of Southwest	Equipment & Supplies	<p><u>Obj:</u> Fund medical and IT equipment and furnishings for the addition of a satellite location for our pediatric location in La Plata county. <u>Results:</u> The satellite office has provided a physical foundation on which to maintain and expand pediatric access in the community. At the time of the grant PPSW had 12,000 enrolled patients; currently PPSW has over 15,000 enrolled patients in their EMR. The satellite office has 25-30 physician appointments booked daily, as well as additional nurse visits for immunizations, weight checks, and blood draws. The satellite expansion allowed PPSW to book less heavily their over extended main clinic with resultant improvements in wait times at the practice. PPSW's number of annual well visits increased from 7,110 to 7,864 and total visits increased from 19,200 to 19,800 from the previous year. Patient surveys reflect that wait times and parking situations at the satellite clinic are ranked higher than the main clinic. PPSW providers work most days of the week between both locations allowing appointments to be spread out across both locations leading to less crowded waiting rooms, less wait times, and longer appointment times for acute visits. Parking has been an issue that PPSW hopes to improve.</p>	Durango	\$ 47,033.00
025	Arkansas Valley Family Practice, LLC	Physical Plant Improvement; Equipment	<p><u>Obj:</u> Make physical plant improvements and medical equipment purchases. <u>Results:</u> Repaired outside of building & signage. Installed double doors between patient waiting area and exam room hallways. Installed new carpet. Purchased new video colposcope, exam table and pediatric suction unit.</p>	La Junta	\$ 48,675.00
026	Meeker Family Health Center	Health Information Technology	<p><u>Obj:</u> MFHC and PMC initiated an IT and EMRS system conversion. This included business applications, and clinical applications, and the implementation of EMRs, which incorporates Practice Management Documentation and Physician Access System applications. In addition to software implementation the project includes putting in wireless tablet PC units for primary providers, wireless network equipment, and training. <u>Results:</u> An enterprise-wide EMR, e-prescription services to local and remote pharmacies, integration of documentation and transcription, and electronic results reporting of diagnostic test results for quicker turnaround times and clinical decision-making. The system consists of clinical and financial applications. The clinical systems includes Radiology Lab Information Systems which enable studies and tests to be ordered electronically with results posted to the database for fast access by physicians and clinicians. This piece of the system has been paramount in reducing medical error. This project is extremely critical to assist PMC with its communications with other healthcare facilities and diagnostic enterprises. Because PMC is located 40-50 miles from any other healthcare facility, having our medical records electronic has helped us to communicate with other healthcare facilities and diagnostic services to expedite patient care.</p>	Meeker	\$ 49,997.00

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028	Basin Medical Clinic	Health Information Technology; Training	<u>Obj:</u> Help support the infrastructure and strengthen the capacity of the Basin Clinic in Naturita, CO. <u>Results:</u> The Basin Clinic was able to improve the quality and scope of health care for 1,421 unduplicated patients (221 Medicaid, 47 CHP+, 377 Self Pay, 253 Medicare, 495 Third Party insurance, and 28 other, who received 5,406 office visits in 2009. 5 BMC staff participated in the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health training workshop and learned to correctly perform the lung health screenings. The Tadiran Phone System has enhanced communications among staff and staff and patients. The Cholestech LDX System and the Hb 201+ allows for point-of-care diagnostic test for patients with immediate results. Staff is diagnosing and treating patients onsite and are able to better manage the non-compliant patients. The lab draw chair benefits the elderly patients and having the appropriate equipment makes it easier to manage patients who pass out from blood draw.	Montrose	\$ 34,955.00
030	High Plains Community Health Center - Dental Office	Physical Plant Improvement	<u>Obj:</u> Part of the cost for remodeling the dental suite. <u>Results:</u> Remodeling has mostly been completed with one phase yet to do. Secured additional funding, and the new suite is completely operational and very much appreciated by patients and staff. It will continue to be upgraded when the three new dental chairs are added. The count of dental users from 1/1/10 is 1,534, short of the planned 2,000.	Lamar	\$ 50,000.00
032	Salud Family Health Centers	Health Information Technology	Report in process.		\$ 50,000.00
034	Durango School District 9-R	Physical Plant Improvement	<u>Obj:</u> To increase access to primary health care for uninsured and underinsured students by initially remodeling a classroom space at Florida Mesa Elementary School to accommodate a school based health center. <u>Results:</u> Anticipate a Feb. 2011 opening date. Monies have been spent for architectural professional fees, blueprints, and permits. The architect will move forward with project management and coordination as soon as the matching \$60,000 is obtained. Permits are good for a year, and construction company will honor the original bid for a year. Furniture and clinic equipment have been purchased and is being stored.	Durango	\$ 40,752.00
044	San Luis Valley Comprehensive Community Mental Health Center	Health Information Technology; Training; Equipment & Supplies	<u>Obj:</u> To enhance capacity to provide accessible, timely outpatient primary care services. Purchase equipment, information technology, staff training and education. IT installation/set-up/training and 15 laptops/cases and wireless phone cards. <u>Results:</u> After attending the evidence-based training/EHR staff came back more motivated and knowledgeable about the systems and upgrades. They were more able to use the new system to produce more timely and accurate client data, client billing statements, and fee collection. The digital pens have made a positive impact on clinician's efficiency and client care - with user friendly equipment. The increased outreach and outlying staff have been able to spend more time with clients and less time back in the office typing notes.	Alamosa	\$ 30,546.00

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045	Northside Child Health Center	Equipment & Supplies	<p><u>Obj:</u> To improve access to primary medical and dental care at the Northside Child Health Center (NCHC) through expansion of services provided on site. <u>Results:</u> Providing lab testing and other services on site has made a huge impact on some patients and families. NCHC is able to offer more comprehensive on site lab and testing services than the primary pediatric practice in town because of purchases through this grant. Able to offer these services for low or no additional cost. A few of the screening test instruments have minimal maintenance or disposable cost. NCHC will be able to offer screening with the only cost to the NCHS being the provider's time. Completed 16 on site lead tests. August and September are the big months for school physicals where lead testing is required. The NCHC is now completing on average one or more lead testing per day. NCHC has used the LDX Cholestech instrument to evaluate liver function and cholesterol 11 times with two follow up appointments for testing already scheduled. Able to give over 200 flu vaccines during the fall and winter and able to properly store vaccines. NCHC fell short of their goal of administering 300 flu vaccines, administering 239 doses. NCHC offered primary oral health services to 65 patients and continue to schedule 18-20 patients per month for oral health services.</p>	Montrose	\$ 46,220.00
046	Mountain Medical Center, P.C.		Report in process.	Ridgway	\$ 40,570.00
052	San Luis Valley Regional Medical Center	Health Information Technology	<p><u>Obj:</u> Purchase hardware for implementation of EMR. <u>Results:</u> Purchased computers, desk mounts and monitor stands to enable all primary care providers to collect patient data in real time. Included required re-wiring. Also purchased printers and scanners. All of these items will improve safety and quality of health care services.</p>	Alamosa	\$ 50,000.00
054	Cripple Creek-Victor School District	Health Information Technology; Equipment & Supplies	<p><u>Obj:</u> To purchase clinical equipment and fund IT/HER Infrastructure in the proposed renovation of the Mountain Health Center, a school-based clinic in Cripple Creek, CO. <u>Results:</u> MHC is staffed by a PA and MA, employees of Peak Vista, and by the School Nurse. As appointments are consistently being filled, operating hours are being expanded from two to three days next school year. The clinic has made a difference in the community, providing primary medical care to students and their siblings, ages 0-21. During the school year (09-10), 343 unduplicated patients have been treated in 557 visits. The Care Mobile has made 8 visits since May 2009, providing 129 dental visits. Two contracted mental health professionals and Pikes Peak Behavioral Health provided 584 various behavioral health counseling sessions. 75% of the patients access behavioral health services. NOTE: Due to the grant project delay, Grant money was returned to the program.</p>	Cripple Creek	\$ 50,000.00

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055	Southwest Smile Makers Dental Clinic	Equipment & Supplies; Physical Plant Improvement	<u>Obj:</u> Provide support for renovation and equipping of a second operatory in the SW Smile Makers dental office, expansion costs, and setup of a new waiting room. <u>Results:</u> Become a true consistent clinic that can handle emergencies and provide a backstop for patients to always have a place to go. # of patients seen was estimated to have doubled from 600 to 1200. The clinic is on track to see nearly 2000 patients from the winter of 2009 to the winter of 2010.	Durango	\$ 45,000.00
057	Spanish Peaks Regional Health Center	Physical Plant Improvement	<u>Obj:</u> Stabilize 90 yr. old building and renovate the top floor for mental health counseling and healthy activities. <u>Results:</u> Project created a positive impact on the community and the project was completed well within the one year time link and is providing several new services to the youth and their families. A mental health counselor is meeting with youth in the new counseling office. Parents are pleased to have an autonomous place for their children. Anticipate using the space for chronic disease counseling sessions. Clients can utilize the Wii Fitness as part of their health plan. The space provides a place for youth and adults to participate in healthy activities, community events, and adult aerobics classes.	Walsenburg	\$ 49,597.00
070	Castle Valley Children's Clinic	Health Information Technology; Equipment & Supplies	<u>Obj:</u> Implement Electronic Medical Records System and update nurses station and lab.; <u>Results:</u> The Electronic Medical Records System has been installed. Staff is pleased with the system and is seeing improvements in communications, patient care and efficiency. Equipment for nurses station is helping to provide higher quality, more accurate and efficient healthcare to the pediatric clients.	New Castle	\$ 49,136.00
073	Flagler Clinic - PMC	Equipment & Supplies	<u>Obj:</u> Purchase mobile dental equipment, purchase Behavioral Health furniture for office and remodeling of 2 administrative offices. <u>Results:</u> Serving 68 patients for 82 encounters. (No service available April or May due to medical leave by provider). Of the patients seen: 54% MCD/CHP+, 29% uninsured/sliding fee and 17% private insurance for total charges equaling \$26,787). The new copier has improved the clinics capacity of making professional appearing copies of insurance cards, patient charts, patient education materials, and other office forms as needed. Additional lap tops were purchased to provide a more efficient work flow with the EMR. A insurance/credit card scanner was purchased to allow for electronic copies. Behavioral Health furniture has resulted in a more inviting and comfortable area for Behavioral Health providers to meet with their clients. Other renovations were put on hold while PMC secured funding to purchase and equip a 30 x 54 modular dental suite with four operatories. The restoration funding was used to provide the changes needed to allow the modular building to be placed adjacent to the current facility.	Flagler	\$ 48,000.00

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074	Keene Clinic	Physical Plant Improvement	<u>Obj:</u> Make improvements to clinic space including 2 exam rooms. <u>Results:</u> Completed new addition which added 2 exam rooms, traffic and work area and a full bathroom. Added additional provider. Decreased patience wait time. Increased handicap accessibility with new ramp.	Keenesburg	\$ 32,067.00
087	Olathe Medical Clinic	Training; Equipment & Supplies	<u>Obj:</u> Help support the infrastructure and strengthen the capacity of the Olathe Medical Clinic in Olathe, CO. <u>Results:</u> The OMC was able to improve the quality and scope of health care by providing 802 unduplicated patients (117 Medicaid, 10 CHP+, 446 Self Pay, 78 Medicare, 147 Third Party insurance, and 4 other, who received 1,225 office visits in 2009. OMC participated in classes, training, and workshops to improve communications, patient safety, and office efficiencies and management. The Cholestech LDX System, the Hb 201+, and the DCA Vantage Analyzer allows for point -of-care diagnostic test for patients with immediate results. Staff is diagnosing and treating patients onsite, avoiding a trip to a lab in Montrose or Delta. For diabetic patients, the DCA Analyzer allows providers to adjust medications during their visit, which is resulting in improved compliance.	Olathe	\$ 44,743.00
092	Miramont Family Medicine	Equipment & Supplies	<u>Obj:</u> To purchase lab and x-ray equipment for the Miramont Family Medicine clinic in Wellington, CO. <u>Results:</u> Allowed people of Wellington access to laboratory services without having to travel 40 minutes round trip to Ft. Collins. This access has been extended to underserved populations as well in this rural community. Since the technologies utilized in the lab are so fast patients are given immediate feedback about their disease or health status. This facilitates better intervention opportunities, when communication can be face to face with the provider, and decreases the likelihood that the patient will never get the final lab results. It also shortens the cycle time for medical decision making, such that referrals and medication changes can be made at the same time, and eliminates repeat visits to review blood work, improving employee absenteeism.	Ft. Collins	\$ 50,000.00
				Total	\$ 1,207,863.00

As of 9/23/2010