

# ATTACHMENT 1: Updated current Minnesota SORH Work Plan, July 2016-June 2017

**STATUS for period July 1, 2016-January 31, 2017**

<b>Objective #1: Collect and disseminate information</b>				
<b>Activity</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>	<b>Responsible Staff or Entity</b>	<b>Progress or Process Measures (status for period 7/1/16-1/31/17)</b>	<b>Outcome or Impact</b>
Required Activity 1.1: Disseminate information provided by FORHP and other sources on grant opportunities, research findings, policy updates, best practices and other rural health issues to statewide rural partners and stakeholders.	Ongoing	Schoenbaum Rogness	18 ORHPC website updates/links. 13 ORHPC newsletter posting/links. 16/24 ORHPC tweets/retweets. 14 ORHPC email blasts.	Increased knowledge of and access to information on rural health issues, resources, and innovations, including time-sensitive funding opportunities.
Required Activity 1.2: Respond to inquiries for information and/or assistance via various methods (i.e. phone, email, social media, website, mail) in a timely manner.	Ongoing	Schoenbaum Rogness All ORHPC	24 of inquiries responded to from individuals, organizations and media outlets ( <i>not including calls for technical assistance, reported below</i> ). 8 of externally published articles incorporating ORHPC data or expertise.	Increased awareness and understanding of rural health issues among the media, policymakers, and the general public.
Required Activity 1.3: Promote utilization of RAC (Rural Health Information Hub) and Rural Health Research Gateway websites.	Ongoing	Schoenbaum Rogness	1 ORHPC website update/link referencing RHI and RHRG content. 2 ORHPC newsletter postings/links referencing RHI and RHRG content. 1 ORHPC tweets/retweets referencing RHI and RHRG content.	Increase knowledge of and access to information on rural health issues, resources, and innovations.
<b>Other Activities</b>				
Activity 1.4: Publish monthly and quarterly newsletters.	Monthly Quarterly	Schoenbaum Rogness	7 monthly newsletters published & distributed to ORHPC's 3,300+ subscribers. 1 quarterly newsletters published & distributed to same.	Increased knowledge of and access to rural health issues and availability of resources among rural practitioners, rural health care providers, policy makers and the general public.
Activity 1.5: Produce and disseminate rural health policy analyses.	Ongoing	Schoenbaum Dungan-Seaver	4 briefs, reports and other analyses and publications produced via the 15-member, Governor-appointed Rural Health Advisory Committee or other ORHPC activities.	Increased awareness and understanding of rural health policy issues and options, including through recommendations to the Commissioner, Governor and state Legislature.

Activity 1.6: Collect and analyze state-level workforce data.	Ongoing	Schoenbaum Moibi Other ORHPC	16 maps, fact sheets, reports and other content produced on MN's health care workforce. 213 hits to the MN health workforce data tool.	Increased awareness and understanding of the current and future rural health workforce, and assist policymakers in how best to direct resources to strengthen it.
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## Objective #2 : Coordinate rural health activities

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Required Activity 2.1: Participate in or attend select community, regional or statewide committees, boards, councils, meetings, webinars, conference calls and other venues whose purpose is to engage in issues and activities that impact health in rural communities.	Ongoing	Schoenbaum Held Wilson Moibi Dungan-Seaver Rogness Other ORHPC	2 rural health community forums. 6 Rural Health Advisory Committee meetings. 15 other advisory committee meetings (including those for the statewide trauma system, MERC and the IMG Assistance Program) convened by ORHPC. 10 MN Rural Health Association and other statewide rural health meetings attended. 6 EMS Regulatory Board meetings attended. 15 state health workforce-related meetings attended. 7 state health reform and State Innovation Model (SIM) meetings attended. 350 participants attending the Many Faces of Community Health conference, co-hosted by ORHPC.	Ensured that rural health has a voice in policy and programs decisions affecting it, and coordinated those activities and partnerships to improve health access and quality in rural communities.
Required Activity 2.2: Attend and participate in meetings, activities and events offered by national level partners to build or strengthen partnerships and gather information to further the goals of ORHPC.	Ongoing	Schoenbaum Held Wilson Moibi Other ORHPC	4 of National Rural Health Association meetings and conferences attended. 6 NOSORH meetings and conferences attended/participated in. 22 other national meetings, activities and events attended/participated in.	Improved understanding of rural health issues and options, and ensured a coordinated response in partnership with other state offices and national partners.
Required Activity 2.3: Support multi-state workforce recruitment and retention (R&R) systems used to track and place providers (i.e. 3RNet). [See also Minnesota-specific R&R activities under Objective #4.]	Ongoing	Wilson Jahnke Other ORHPC	1,827 participants logging in to view Minnesota opportunities, and 1,685 additional individuals Minnesota locations without logging in. 2 National Health Service Corps and 3RNet meetings attended.	Improved access to health care by offering assistance and incentives to providers to practice there.
<b>Other Activities</b>				