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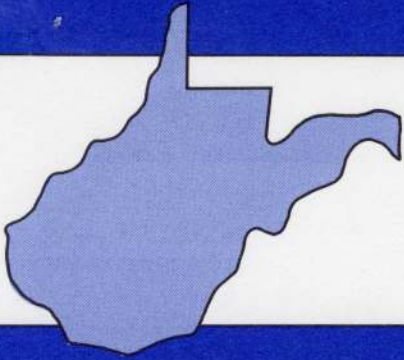
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE  
HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATIONRECEIVED  
WASHINGTON OFFICE

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DATE : 08/26/94

FROM : BUREAU OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

SUBJECT : SUMMARY OF GRANT AWARD

TO : DHHS CONGRESSIONAL LIAISON OFFICE  
HUBERT H. HUMPHREY BUILDING

1. PROGRAM ID & PUBLIC LAW NUMBER:  
RH-93.912 -PUBLIC LAW 102-170
2. GRANT NUMBER: CSD000193-01-0
3. NAME AND ADDRESS OF GRANTEE:  
HARTS HEALTH CENTER  
VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.  
4 STATE ROUTE 10  
HARTS, WV 25524
4. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS: 3RD
5. AMOUNT OF GRANT: \$160,521
6. TYPE OF GRANT APPLICATIONS:  
NEW
7. PROJECT PERIOD: 09/01/94 - 08/31/97
8. BUDGET PERIOD : 09/01/94 - 08/31/95
9. NAME OF PROJECT DIRECTOR:  
SHATTLS, STEVEN L.
10. TITLE OF PROJECT:  
RURAL HEALTH OUTREACH PROGRAM
11. CONTACT FOR ADDITIONAL INFO:  
OPAL MCCARTHY  
BPHC GRANTS MANAGEMENT  
(301) 594-4260



## PROJECT ABSTRACT

### **Description**

The Rural Health Outreach Program grant will be used to expand the access to primary health care for children in the service area of the West Virginia Children's Health Project, a new and innovative pediatric mobile medical unit serving rural areas in western West Virginia, by adding new sites in two to three rural West Virginia counties, by enhancing existing levels of service at the current sites (six rural elementary schools and one rural church), and establishing a lay person outreach network to begin rural empowerment. The result will be an overall strengthening of the network of mobile unit services, community health centers, family practice physicians and schools that delivers health care to these rural, medically-underserved children.

### **Services**

The West Virginia Children's Health Project is currently being partially supported by a non-renewable grant from the Children's Health Fund, based in New York City. Funding is needed:

- \*\* To support the increased level of pediatric physician service at the expansion sites, and the current service level at existing sites, which will significantly increase rural children's access to primary care;

- \*\* For community outreach volunteers in each service area to assist in patient recruitment, retention and assistance; for publicity of the mobile unit's services and activities; and for a newsletter distributed to parents through all schools in the service area.

- \*\* To support the additional pediatric subspecialists in areas such as child development, neurology, cardiology, etc., for new weekly and/or monthly clinics that will be established at the existing and new sites;

- \*\* To support the pediatric nurse practitioner, driver, medical assistant and records clerk who staff the mobile unit, at an increased level of activity due to service area expansion;

### **Consortium**

The consortium consists of: Harts Health Center, a community health center in Lincoln County, W.Va.; the West Virginia Children's Health Project mobile medical unit; Marshall University School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics; and the individual rural elementary schools and church served by the WVCHP.

### **Service Area/Target Population**

The service area will include southern Lincoln County, southern Wayne County, southern Mason County and northern Mingo and Logan counties. All but the Wayne County area are outside established Metropolitan Statistical Areas, but southern Wayne County is so sparsely populated that it can be considered a rural area.

The target population is the approximately 5,000 children ages 0-18 years in the service area. They are predominantly rural, white, poor, culturally and geographically isolated, and have extremely limited access to even basic primary health care. The WVCHP is the only consistent access to pediatric health care in the rural, isolated communities it serves, and is a major referral source to tertiary care facilities and medical subspecialists in Huntington, W.Va.



**CONSORTIUM IDENTIFICATION**

**Harts Health Center.** 4 State Route 10, Harts, WV, 25524; (304) 855-4595 or (304) 525-3334; (304) 855-9377 (fax); Steven L. Shattls, MPA.

**West Virginia Children's Health Project.** 401 10th St., Fourth Floor, Huntington, WV, 25701; (304) 525-3334; (304) 525-3338 (fax); Linda Anderson, MPH.

**Marshall University School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics.** 1801 Sixth Ave., Huntington, WV, 25755. (304) 696-7065; (304) 696-7067 (fax). Patricia J. Kelly, M.D.

**West Virginia Children's Health Project sites:**

Atenville Elementary School; Atenville, Lincoln County, WV; (304) 855-3713; Darlene Dalton, principal.

Cabwaylingo Presbyterian Chapel; Dunlow, Wayne County, WV; (304) 385-4641. Paul Pittman, pastor.

Crum Elementary School; Crum, Wayne County, WV; (304) 393-3447; Ralph Dawson, principal.

Crum Middle School; Crum, WV; (304) 393-3200; Bill Brubeck, principal.

Dunlow Elementary School (sub-site); Dunlow, Wayne County, WV. (304) 385-4376; Chester Maynard, principal.

East Lynn Elementary School; East Lynn, Wayne County, WV; (304) 849-3171; Sam Thompson, principal.

Genoa Elementary School; Genoa, Wayne County, WV; (304) 385-4421; Debbie Russell, principal.

Hugh Dingess Elementary School; Logan County; (304) 855-3585; Sammy Dalton, principal.

Ranger Elementary School; Ranger, Lincoln County, WV; (304) 778-6607; Peggy Adkins, principal.

for the annually. Awards are normally made in a lump sum  
system. 1-year budget/project period and payments are made  
POST ASSIST through either a letter of credit or cash demand  
POST ASSISTANCE REQUIREMENTS:  
Reports: A performance report and a financial status  
close report are to be submitted within 90 days after the  
to be of the budget/project period. Program Reports are  
submitted every 6 months.  
Audits: In accordance with the provisions of OMB  
Circular No. A-128, "Audits of State and Local  
receive Governments," State and local governments that  
that financial assistance of \$100,000 or more within the  
between State's fiscal year shall have an audit made for  
shall \$25,000 and \$100,000 within the State's fiscal year  
No. have an audit made in accordance with OMB Circular  
regulations A-128, or in accordance with Federal laws and  
For governing the programs in which they participate.  
forth nongovernmental grant recipients, audits are to be  
carried out in accordance with the provisions set  
in OMB Circular No. A-133. In addition, grants are  
PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE OR ENTER A REQUEST.  
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PROG 93.912 RURAL HEALTH SERVICES OUTREACH  
FEDERAL AGENCY: OFFICE OF RURAL HEALTH POLICY, OFFICE OF  
THE ADMINISTRATOR, HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES  
ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
AUTHORIZATION: Public Health Service Act, Section 301.  
OBJECTIVES: To enable services to be provided to rural  
populations that are not receiving them; to enhance  
service capacity or expand service area(s), thus,  
increasing the number of individuals and families  
receiving services; to facilitate integration and  
coordination of services in or among rural communities;  
and to enhance linkages, integration  
and cooperation among rural providers of health  
services.  
USES TYPES OF ASSISTANCE: Project Grants.  
USES AND USE RESTRICTIONS: All funds awarded are to be  
expended solely for carrying out the approved projects.  
The applicant must apply in conjunction with two or more  
other entities as part of a consortium.  
ELIG ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:  
Applicant Eligibility: Not-for-profit, public or  
private entities located in a non-Metropolitan  
Statistical Area or a rural area within selected  
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