Primary Care Residency (PCR) 2015 FAQs:

How much overall funding is available each year for programs that would like to apply for Primary Care Residency (PCR) funding?

The FY 2014-15 Budget added $2.84 million per year for three years from the California Health Data Planning Fund (CHDPF) to expand the Song-Brown Program to include the primary care specialties of:

- Internal Medicine
- Obstetrics and Gynecology (OB/GYN)
- Pediatrics

Is the priority for funding on primary care?

Yes, the funding is to ensure production of primary care generalists for internal medicine, OB/GYN and pediatrics not their sub-specialties.

How much funding can each applicant request?

The maximum funding that each applicant can request per cycle (resident) is $51,615.00

Does that funding support one resident?

Yes, the program will receive $17,205.00 per resident per year x three (3) years for a total of $51,615.00 per resident. Three residents is the maximum number of residents that any one applicant can request funding for. If a program asks for support for three cycles they will be requesting a total of $154,845. Capitation funding will be provided for a maximum of three (3) years regardless of the length of residency.

Does the funding have to be used for new slots only?

No, funding supports new or existing resident positions.
Who determines which training programs receive PCR funding?

Per Health and Safety Code Section 128225 (d), the California Healthcare Workforce Policy Commission (Commission) shall review and make recommendations to the Director of the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development concerning the funding of primary care and family medicine programs or departments and primary care and family medicine residencies.

The Commission which is composed of 15 members who shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authorities:

- (a) Nine members appointed by the Governor, as follows:
  - (1) One representative of the University of California medical schools, from a nominee or nominees submitted by the University of California.
  - (2) One representative of the private medical or osteopathic schools accredited in California from individuals nominated by each of these schools.
  - (3) One representative of practicing family physicians.
  - (4) One representative who is a practicing osteopathic physician or surgeon and who is board certified in either general or family practice.
  - (5) One representative of undergraduate medical students in a family practice program or residence in family practice training.
  - (6) One representative of trainees in a primary care physician's assistant program or a practicing physician's assistant.
  - (7) One representative of trainees in a primary care nurse practitioners program or a practicing nurse practitioner.
  - (8) One representative of the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, from nominees submitted by the office director.
  - (9) One representative of practicing registered nurses.

- (b) Two consumer representatives of the public who are not elected or appointed public officials, one appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and one appointed by the Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Rules.

- (c) Two representatives of practicing registered nurses, one appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and one appointed by the Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Rules.

- (d) Two representatives of students in a registered nurse training program, one appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and one appointed by the Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Rules.

- (e) The Chief of the Health Professions Development Program in the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, or the chief's designee, shall serve as executive secretary for the commission.
How do training programs apply for PCR funding?

Programs interested in applying for PCR funding can register via CalREACH starting December 29, 2014. For instructions on how to register, please visit the Song-Brown website at [http://www.oshpd.ca.gov/HWDD/Song_Brown_Prog.html](http://www.oshpd.ca.gov/HWDD/Song_Brown_Prog.html).

When do training programs apply for PCR funding?

The application period begins **January 14, 2015** and closes by **3:00 PM on March 10, 2015**. All applications must be submitted through CalREACH.

When will training programs be notified about funding?

The Commission will award funds at a public funding meeting on April 28-29, 2015. Please visit the Song-Brown website at [http://oshpd.ca.gov/General_Info/Public_Meetings.html](http://oshpd.ca.gov/General_Info/Public_Meetings.html) for agenda and meeting materials as they become available.

If awarded, when will contracts be effective?

Applicants awarded funding will enter into a contract with OSHPD for the period beginning on June 30, 2015 and ending on or before June 30, 2018.

Please visit the Song-Brown website for additional information regarding PCR Capitation funding. [http://oshpd.ca.gov/HWDD/Song_Brown_Prog.html](http://oshpd.ca.gov/HWDD/Song_Brown_Prog.html)