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March 5, 2015: Application Deadline

The Health Resources and Services Administration [Bureau of Health Workforce](#) is accepting applications for the FY2015 Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP). The purpose of this funding opportunity is to establish and operate geriatric education centers that will implement the GWEP project to develop a health care workforce that maximizes patient and family engagement and improves health outcomes for older adults by integrating geriatrics with primary care. Special emphasis will be on providing the primary care workforce with the knowledge and skills to care for older adults and on collaborating with community partners to address gaps in health care for older adults through individual, system, community, and population level changes.

The focus areas for this announcement are:

- Transforming clinical training environments to integrated geriatrics and primary care delivery systems to ensure trainees are well prepared to practice in and lead these kinds of systems.
- Developing providers who can assess and address the needs of older adults and their families/caregivers at the individual, community, and population levels.
- Creating and delivering community-based programs that will provide patients, families and caregivers with the knowledge and skills to improve health outcomes and the quality of care for the older adult(s).
- Providing Alzheimer's disease and related dementias (ARD) education to families, caregivers, direct care workers and health professions students, faculty, and providers.

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