

**HWTF MEDICATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
GRANT AWARDS**

The Medication Assistance Program (MAP) includes 69 grants (68 community-based grants and 1 statewide grant) funded by the NC Health and Wellness Trust Fund at \$14.4 million to assist low-income citizens in obtaining prescription drugs and to counsel seniors about safe and effective use

Medication Assistance Program -- Program Components		
Local and Statewide Grants	\$ 14,353,501	Details provided below
Technical Support for Grantees	\$ 645,000	
AHEC Professional Training for Pharmacists	\$ 62,344	
Balance for Grant Expansion	\$ 68,197	
Program Support Funds (i.e., legal fees, PSCs, etc)	\$ 243,158	
Total Investment in Medication Assistance Program	\$ 15,372,200	

LOCAL & STATEWIDE GRANTS		COUNTIES TO BE SERVED	PHASE I FUNDING	PHASE II FUNDING	TOTAL FUNDING	PROJECT SUMMARY
1	Alamance Regional Medical Center (AlaMAP)	Alamance, Caswell	\$ 322,500	\$ 52,500	\$ 375,000	Grantee has extensive experience with both medication management and prescription assistance and will continue to provide services as a peer mentor to other medication assistance programs statewide.
2	Albemarle Hospital Foundation	Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Pasquotank, Perquimans	\$ -	\$ 127,310	\$ 127,310	The Clinic will expand pharmacy services from 300 patients to approximately 500 low-income patients by funding 3 prescription assistance coordinators (PAC) and a part-time pharmacist.
3	Angel Medical Center	Macon	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	The volume of low-income patients and need for enhanced program management demand a full-time position. Trained volunteers will continue to provide many support services for the senior and indigent patients.
4	Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital	Harnett	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	Expansion of staffing will provide services to additional patients within 200% of the federal poverty level (FPL) guidelines and provide the longer term medication management services many seniors need.

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5	Black River Health Services, Inc.	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	This grant will provide funds for a full-time PAC who will oversee services at 3 sites. The addition of this position will reduce the workload on the nurses currently providing the service, allowing them to focus on nursing duties, reduce the wait time for prescription assistance services, and increase the number of low-income patients that receiving services.
6	Bladen HealthWatch	\$ 280,768	\$ -	\$ 280,768	Grantee is an award winning Healthy North Carolinians project with a good track record using the current DHHS software to help indigent patients access Prescription Assistance Programs ("PAP"). Grantee collaborates with the local hospital and Bladen Medical Associates.
7	Cabarrus Health Alliance		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	Due to an overwhelming demand for services, the grantee will expand their medication assistance program to offer services to a broader range of patients. This program will assist residents who are between 125% and 200% of the FPL.
8	Caldwell Senior Center	\$ 176,500		\$ 176,500	Grantee is a senior center working in collaboration with local hospital, Kerr Drugs, free clinics and physicians to cover Caldwell County. Grantee has a full service plan where Kerr Drug provides medication management services with a half time Prescription Assistance Coordinator (PAC).
9	Cape Fear Council of Government AAA	\$ 398,000		\$ 398,000	Grantee is regional Area Agency on Aging that covers New Hanover, Brunswick, Columbus and Pender Counties. Grantee provides medication management and prescription access services in collaboration with local aging agencies and Department of Social Services in Brunswick County.
10	Care Connection Pharmacy of Wilkes Regional Medical Center		\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	Additional funding will expand hours for a part-time pharmacist, PAC and pharmacy technician, increasing the number of patients served. Four community partner agencies will conduct "brown bag" evaluations of patients' prescription drug needs.

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11	Carolina Family Health Centers, Inc.	Edgecombe, Nash, Wilson	\$ 389,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 639,000	The grantee will extend services from 2 clinics in Wilson and rural Nash Counties to Edgecombe County, which is a gap county.
12	Carolinas Poison Center	Statewide		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	The grantee will create printed and on-line information regarding the safe use of medications by seniors, proper methods of taking medications and common adverse drug events and interactions. Outreach educational efforts will target seniors statewide through contacts with state-level groups whose focus is on the aging population.
13	Cherokee County Health Department	Cherokee, Clay, Graham	\$ 444,696		\$ 444,696	Grantee is a collaboration between the county health departments of Cherokee, Clay and Graham Counties. Grantee uses a Registered Nurse to screen 97% of all clients requesting services after which a pharmacist will review all of this data and follow up where appropriate.
14	Community Care Center/Doctors Care Inc.	Stokes, Davie, Forsyth		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	The program will expand from primarily volunteer-based staff to include a part-time pharmacist. This change will allow the physicians to focus on patient medical services, increasing the number of patients served and decreasing wait time for services.
15	Community Care Clinic of Rowan County	Rowan	\$ 140,000	\$ 210,000	\$ 350,000	In addition to the standard medication assistance program, the grantee will provide bilingual services and documentation through use of a part-time Spanish interpreter during the grant period. Grant funds will continue services in this high need county, currently funded through HWTFC.
16	Community Free Clinic	Cabarrus	\$ 130,000	\$ 195,000	\$ 325,000	The grantee is working to increase capacity to meet the immediate, high volume needs of this county caused by large-scale layoffs. Grant funds will continue services in this high need county, currently funded through HWTFC.
17	Crisis Control Ministry	Forsyth		\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	Grant funding for the pharmacist, PAC and 2 pharmacy staff will strengthen the existing program and expand services to additional low-income patients. Local healthcare professionals provide additional support to the clinic.

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18	Cumberland County Hospital System, Inc.	Cumberland	\$ 450,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 700,000	CCMAP will hire 2 additional PACs and a part-time pharmacist to allow more low-income patients to receive medication management services and prescription assistance. Other expanded services will include disease management education, one-on-one counseling, enhanced brown bag reviews and information on specific disease management.
19	Davidson Medical Ministries	Davidson		\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	Hours for the current part-time pharmacist and PAC will be expanded to provide a more comprehensive program.
20	Diakonos, Inc.	Alexander, Catawba, Davie, Iredell, Wilkes, Yadkin		\$ 128,896	\$ 128,896	The pharmacist's hours will be increased from 8 hours per week to 15 hours per week, increasing the number of patients served. In addition, the pharmacist will provide "brown bag" medication reviews at least annually, or as necessary.
21	Duplin County Services for the Aged	Duplin		\$ 65,083	\$ 65,083	Grantee provides medication management and prescription access services in Duplin County.
22	Duplin Medical Association	Duplin, Sampson		\$ 30,160	\$ 30,160	The grantee will serve a larger low-income population base to include all age groups and increase the efficiency of the program through increased PAC staff time. In addition, the clinic will establish an outreach campaign, to increase awareness of the availability of services in the area.
23	Eastern Carolina Council AAA	Craven	\$ 448,764		\$ 448,764	Grantee is a regional Area Agency on Aging that covers Craven County. Grantee provides medication management and prescription access services through two pharmacists and one PAC.
24	FirstHealth of the Carolinas	Moore, Montgomery, Richmond		\$ 249,766	\$ 249,766	A part-time pharmacist and 2 PACs will provide medication assistance to low-income and older adult populations in Moore and Montgomery Counties, expanding into Richmond as needed.
25	Gaston Family Health Services, Inc.	Gaston, Lincoln	\$ 232,750	\$ 50,000	\$ 282,750	Additional funding will expand medication assistance services in Gaston and Lincoln Counties.
26	Good Samaritan Clinic, Inc.	Burke		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	Grant funding will increase paid staff time from two part-time registered pharmacy technicians and 21 part-time volunteer pharmacists to include part-time paid pharmacists and PACs.

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27	Greene Council on Aging	Greene		\$ 22,406	\$ 22,406	One pharmacist and one PAC provide medication management and prescription access services in Greene County.
28	Guilford County Department of Public Health	Guilford	\$ 448,957	\$ 250,000	\$ 698,957	Two other prescription assistance programs in the county will lose their funding in the spring, therefore the grantee will expand services to the patients on the wait list and the patients expected to be referred from the closing programs. The funds will provide for additional pharmacist and PAC staff time.
29	HealthQuest of Union County	Anson, Union		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	The program will increase the number of patients served. Outreach targeted to inform low-income, minority populations of the services available will include print, radio and other media and outreach efforts.
30	Hertford County Public Health Authority	Hertford		\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000	The grantee will increase the part-time pharmacist to full-time and add a pharmacy technician to provide medication management services.
31	Hyde County Health Department	Hyde		\$ 47,831	\$ 47,831	By adding a contracted pharmacist funded through the grant, medication assistance services will be made available to additional low-income or senior patients.
32	Isothermal Planning AAA	Rutherford, Cleveland, Polk, McDowell	\$ 514,521	\$ 90,000	\$ 604,521	The program will be expanded to serve more senior residents of McDowell County. These services will be provided by hiring an additional PAC and increasing the pharmacist's hours.
33	Jones County Health Department	Jones		\$ 14,801	\$ 14,801	Grantee provides medication management and prescription access services in Jones County.
34	Kinston Community Health Center, Inc.	Craven, Duplin, Greene, Jones, Lenoir, Pitt, Wayne		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	Grant funding to add a second PAC will increase the number of indigent patients receiving medication assistance services. The program also utilizes interpreters to assist with services for the high number of Spanish-speaking patients in the Kinston community.
35	Lenoir Memorial Hospital	Lenoir		\$ 64,638	\$ 64,638	Hospital pharmacist and one PAC provide medication management and prescription access services in Lenoir County.
36	Leon Mann Jr. Enrichment Center	Carteret		\$ 64,864	\$ 64,864	Grantee provides medication management and prescription access services in Cartaret County.

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37	Lumber River Council of Governments	Robeson, Bladen, Hoke, Richmond and Scotland	\$ 416,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 466,000	Due to its size, Robeson County needs increased funding to provide adequate services to additional seniors. Because of its geographical location, the grantee provides services to large numbers of Native American, Latino and African American individuals.
38	Martin-Tyrrell-Washington District Health Department	Washington, Martin, Tyrrell	\$ 409,000		\$ 409,000	Grantee is a three-county health department that provides medication management and prescription access services in all three counties through use of two registered nurses and contracts with local pharmacists. This area has a high density of indigent seniors who are in need of these services. The registered nurses also make home visits.
39	MedAssist of Mecklenburg	Mecklenburg	\$ 303,000	\$ 302,500	\$ 605,500	The grantee will expand its licensed pharmacy program to serve more patients than current funding allows through medication assistance and education services. The grantee has extensive experience with both medication management and prescription assistance and will continue to provide services as a peer mentor to other medication assistance programs statewide.
40	Metropolitan Community Health Services	Beaufort, Pamlico		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	The medication assistance program will provide a network of services to seniors and low-income residents, through establishment of a multidisciplinary drug utilization committee, contracting with a pharmacist to expand medication assistance services, and dedicating staff to provide PAC services.

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41	Mid-East Commission AAA	Beaufort, Bertie, Hertford and Pitt	\$ 456,960		\$ 456,960	Grantee is a regional Area Agency on Aging that collaborates with ECU-BSOM-Geriatrics, Eastern AHEC, Hertford Health Department, among others. Grantee covers Beaufort, Bertie, Martin, Pitt and Hertford Counties by establishing new sites in Beaufort, Bertie and Martin and expanding its current programs in Pitt and Hertford using a pharmacist and Pharmacy Technician as well as a PAC in each county.
42	Mission Healthcare Foundation, Inc.	Buncombe, Madison, Mitchell, Yancey	\$ 396,000	\$ 185,100	\$ 581,100	Grant funding will expand PAC staff time for services to additional low-income and senior patients.
43	Mt. Olive Family Medicine Center, Inc.	Duplin, Sampson, Wayne		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	The addition of a drug program administrator will expand the number of low-income patients served in this Health Professional Shortage Area.
44	NCHICA	Rockingham		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	The grantee recently initiated the Community Medication Management Project, a program to deliver a merged medication list to health care providers electronically to avoid errors and reduce inefficiencies associated with lack of access to complete drug information. Grant funding will extend the service to the Rockingham County Health Department.
45	New Hanover Regional Medical Center	Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Duplin, New Hanover, Onslow, Pender		\$ 44,681	\$ 44,681	By adding an additional part-time PAC, the center will increase medication assistance services within the hospital and at the Coastal Family Medicine Clinic and Tileston Outreach Health Clinic, a free clinic providing services to the uninsured population in the area.
46	Onslow County Senior Center	Onslow		\$ 97,000	\$ 97,000	One pharmacist and one PAC provide medication management and prescription access services in Onslow County.
47	Pamlico County Senior Service	Pamlico		\$ 24,444	\$ 24,444	One pharmacist and one PAC provide medication management and prescription access services in Pamlico County.
48	Piedmont Health Services	Caswell, Chatham, Durham, Lee, Orange, Person		\$ 236,688	\$ 236,688	The grantee will expand the number of patients served through 6 federally-qualified community health centers, including expansion of the medication management service.

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49	Piedmont Triad Council of Government AAA	Montgomery	\$ 45,000		\$ 45,000	Grantee is an Area Agency on Aging collaborating with Caswell and the Piedmont Pharmacy Care Network. They provided full service medication management and prescription assistance programs for Montgomery and Randolph Counties delivered by one PAC and a half time pharmacist. Program ended June 30, 2004. Remaining funding was transferred to Randolph Senior Adult Services to cover Randolph County.
50	Randolph Senior Adult Services	Randolph		\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	Grantee provides full service medication management and prescription assistance programs for Randolph County delivered by one PAC and a half time pharmacist.
51	Region L Council of Governments	Edgecombe, Nash		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	The addition of another part-time case manager to help with the delivery of the medication assistance services will increase the population served; 80% reside in the rural areas of Halifax, Northampton and Edgecombe Counties.
52	Resources for Seniors, Inc. (MEDS Program)	Wake, Franklin, Johnston, Lee	\$ 466,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 716,000	The grantee will expand the number of patients served, including expansion of the medication management service.
53	Rockingham County Council on Aging-RxAP	Rockingham		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	Grant funding will enable the program to provide a pharmacist to assist with expanded medication assistance home visits and provide additional office support.
54	Rockingham County Department of Public Health	Rockingham	\$ 130,000	\$ 195,000	\$ 325,000	The grantee will add additional staff (pharmacist and assistant) and "mobilize" to meet the needs of under-served areas of the county. Grant funds will continue services in this high need county, currently funded through HWTFC.
55	Rural Health Group, Inc.	Halifax, Northampton	\$ 412,200		\$ 412,200	Grantee is a rural health center that collaborates with the health department and the local hospital to cover Northampton and Halifax Counties.

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56	Saluda Medical Center, Inc.	Henderson, McDowell, Polk, Rutherford, Transylvania		\$ 17,400	\$ 17,400	Increasing the PAC's hours and improvement of the efficiency of the program through grant funding will enable the prescription assistance program to increase the number of patients served. Outreach to the rural communities will also be increased.
57	Scotland Neck Family Medical Center	Halifax		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	The addition of staffing will address the 2-year wait list and enroll new patients from southeastern Halifax County which has a large population of seniors and low-income, unemployed residents and has been underserved by existing prescription assistance programs in the county.
58	Senior PHARMAssist, Inc.	Durham	\$ 208,000		\$ 208,000	Grantee is an independent non-profit with proven track record providing all of the services requested under the RFP. Grantee provides prescription drug coverage for seniors below 200% of FPL in Durham County through its own card.
59	Surry County Senior Services	Surry		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	Grant funding will allow the center to establish a much-needed medication assistance program to assist seniors and low-income individuals with prescription assistance services.
60	The Greater Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry	Catawba		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	Grant funds will expand the medication assistance program serving low-income and senior citizens in Jackson County into Swain and Haywood Counties. Expansion of services will be achieved by adding a pharmacist, coordinators and support staff.
61	The Hunger Coalition	Ashe, Avery, Watauga	\$ 336,000		\$ 336,000	Grantee is a local nonprofit that covers Ashe, Avery and Watauga Counties through its store-front location and Country Roads Mobile Pharmacy. Grantee provides medication and disease management and has a good track record working with PAP software.
62	Thomasville Medical Center	Davidson		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	Additional funds will enable a contract pharmacist to be hired, ensuring more regular clinic hours and services at the free healthcare clinic and pharmacy.

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63	UNC School of Pharmacy (includes hotline)	Orange, Chatham	\$ 256,846		\$ 256,846	Grantee is a collaboration between the hospital, the aging agency and Kerr Drugs. Grantee provides comprehensive services including home visits and a hotline that covers gap counties.
64	Urban Ministries of Wake County, Inc.	Wake		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	Grant funds will provide for a PAC and 4 brown bag evaluations per year in the Thomasville area of Davidson County.
65	Watauga Medical Center/Appalachian Healthcare Project	Avery, Watauga		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	To better serve the rising number of uninsured individuals, the grantee will increase the number of patients served by extending the clinic's existing medication assistance program to include acute patients with chronic illnesses and by enhancing outreach efforts.
66	Wayne Action Group for Economic Solvency, Inc. (WAGES)	Wayne		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	The grantee is the lead agency in the Appalachian Healthcare Project, a collaborative effort to provide healthcare for the low-income, uninsured residents of Watauga and Avery Counties. Grant funding will enable the program to maintain current staff and increase staff time to a full-time position.
67	West Caldwell Health Council, Inc.	Alexander, Ashe, Avery, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Watauga, Wilkes		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	The grantee will provide medication assistance services to low-income seniors, including brown bag reviews of medications.
68	WestCare, Inc.	Haywood, Jackson, Swain		\$ 238,971	\$ 238,971	Grant funding will be used to expand staffing by adding a full-time PAC, resulting in increased patients serviced at 2 rural health centers.
69	Winston-Salem Urban League	Forsyth	\$ 262,000		\$ 262,000	Grantee has a strong outreach and health promotion-focused program targeted at the African-American community of Winston-Salem. It collaborates with the area AAA, Wake Forest Medical School and Winston Salem State University Nursing School.
Total Grant Awards			\$ 8,473,462	\$ 5,880,039	\$ 14,353,501	