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**EXPANDING ACCESS TO HEALTH PROFESSIONS
EDUCATION**

Underrepresented minorities currently comprise 19% of the general population. In the 1995/96 academic year, only 13.7% of all medical students were from underrepresented minority groups. During the same year, minority faculty members comprised only 3.6% of the nation's medical school faculties. To remedy this disparity, recruitment programs have been initiated in the public and private sectors to increase the percentage of underrepresented minorities in medical school enrollment and faculty appointments to be on par with that of the general population.

In March 1998 the Health Professions Education Partnership Act was introduced in the Senate to extend federal programs of assistance for the education of health professionals. If passed, the HHS Secretary would make grants to designated schools to assist them in supporting programs of excellence in educating underrepresented minority individuals. To receive such grants, schools must spend these funds to develop large, competitive applicant pools through links with institutions of higher education and community-based entities to establish an education pipeline for health professions careers.

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ACUTE CHEST PAIN MANAGEMENT: TREADMILL TESTING

Acute chest pain is a costly medical problem. The literature indicates that approximately two million people are admitted to hospital emergency departments each year for heart attack testing. An evidence-based critical pathway has been developed to determine which patients should be admitted or discharged, and of the latter, who are eligible for exercise treadmill testing to monitor their heart condition. According to recent research supported by the AHCP, this approach could lower the number of hospital admissions by 17 percent and reduce the days of hospitalization by 11 percent, with a potential cost savings of more than \$500 million a year.

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