Shane Keith Anderson, D.O.
Dillon, MT  59725

MEDICAL SCHOOL:  
Kirkville College of Osteopathic Medicine, Kirksville, MO
August 1998 – June 2002

RESIDENCY:  
Northeast Regional Medical Center, Kirksville, MO
July 2002 – June 2005

PRACTICE SITE:  
Internal Medicine
Dillon, MT
Start Date – March 15, 2009

SUPPORTING CLINIC:  
Barrett Hospital and HealthCare Clinic
Dillon, MT  59725

HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES:  
Barrett Hospital and HealthCare Clinic

POPULATION:  
9,000-11,000 [Service area may be larger]

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The committee considered the size of the community, the ratio of doctors to patients and the recruitment difficulties of the community. The supporting institution indicated an “immense” difficulty recruiting and retaining long-term primary care physicians. Recruitment has been ongoing since 2005. The clinic currently has a waiting list of over 50 patients. Current physicians see a large volume of patients and provide 24-hour call coverage to their own patients and the general population.

Stefanie Katherine Lange, M.D.
Livingston, MT  59047

MEDICAL SCHOOL:  
Tulane University School of Medicine, New Orleans, LA
August 2000 – May 2004

RESIDENCY:  
United Family Practice Residency Program, St. Paul, MN
7/1/2004-9/30/2007

PRACTICE SITE:  
Family Medicine
Livingston, MT
Start Date - November 17, 2008

SUPPORTING CLINIC:  
Community Health Partners
Livingston, MT  59047

HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES:  
Livingston Memorial Hospital

POPULATION:  
6,900 [Service area may be larger]

BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

The committee considered the size and location of the community, the physician-to-patient ratio and the difficulties the community has faced in recruiting physicians. Livingston has been designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area ‘frontier’ community. This community has unmet needs, is a somewhat isolated community, and has had difficulties attracting physicians.
Mark Serra, D.O.
Libby, MT  59923

MEDICAL SCHOOL:  Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences, Kansas City, MO 2001 - 2005
RESIDENCY:  Emergency Medicine Residency
Henry Ford Macomb Hospital, Clinton Township, MI
Intern 2005-2006; Resident 2006 – Current
PRACTICE SITE:  Emergency Medicine
Libby, MT
Planned Start Date – July 20, 2009
SUPPORTING HOSPITAL:  St. John’s Lutheran Hospital
Libby, MT  59923
HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES:  St. John’s Lutheran Hospital - Pending
POPULATION:  2,641 [Service area may be larger]
BASIS FOR MRPIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
This physician has committed to an ER position in Libby, Montana, a geographically isolated and rural location. The sponsoring hospital has had two openings since 2008 and one since 2007. The hospital has spent tens of thousands of dollars attempting to recruit an ER doctor and has spent more tens of thousands on doctors who are brought in on contract to provide short-term services. Dr. Serra is recommended by the committee based on the location and needs of the community.

Michael Eric Sura, M.D.
Lewistown, MT  59457

MEDICAL SCHOOL:  University of Nevada School of Medicine
August 2001 – May 2005
RESIDENCY:  Family Medicine – 7/1/05-6/30/08
Montana Family Medicine Residency, Billings, MT
PRACTICE SITE:  Family Medicine
Lewistown, MT
Start Date – August 4, 2008
SUPPORTING FACILITY:  Central Montana Medical Center
Lewistown, MT  59457
HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES:  Central Montana Medical Center
POPULATION:  10,000 [Service Area may be larger]
BASIS FOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
The supporting institution has experienced great difficulties replacing four physicians who have left practice in Lewistown in the past 3 years (two left in 2007 and two in 2008). Lewistown provides primary care services to a large geographical area and the supporting institution characterizes its volume of work as ‘overwhelming.’ The site has recently been designated as a federal Health Professional Shortage Area.