

Emory supports legislation aimed at creating health innovation zones

Emory supports Congressional efforts to create health innovation zones (HIZ) and is working with leading academic medical centers to include them in federal health care reform legislation. This legislation asks the federal government to establish health innovation zones in communities across the country. An HIZ must feature an academic medical center and community partners, which provide a full spectrum of health care such as inpatient, outpatient, post-acute, and preventive services. In an HIZ, incentives would be offered to health care providers to experiment with ideas that improve quality, foster teamwork, decrease costs, and create new models of cost-effective, high-quality health care. To read the HIZ bill, please see this url:

http://thomas.loc.gov/home/gpoxmlc111/h3134_ih.xml