

## FRONTIER AND RURAL EXPERT PANEL

April 14, 2005  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

### AGENDA

- 8:30 AM Breakfast
- 9:00 AM Welcome Carol Miller, Gar Elison, President, Frontier Education Center  
Emily Costich, Project Officer
- 9:15 AM Introductions Members of the Panel will introduce themselves
- 9:45 AM Review of the mission and scope of work for the Expert Panel  
(Contractor shall research, by consulting experts in the field, the members of the Frontier and Rural Expert Panel, performing literature searches, and other means as necessary, the following subjects, then prepare reports to deliver to the Project Officer.)
- 10:15 AM BREAK
- 10:30 AM Discussion of Contract Task 4:  
Prepare Reports on the Health Care Issues in Frontier Areas
1. The Impact of the Medicare Modernization Act on Frontier Areas
    - a. The impact of Medicare Advantage in the frontier.
    - b. The impact of the pharmaceutical benefit in the frontier.
    - c. The impact of Medicare payment changes on the provision of health care in the frontier.
  2. Maintenance of Health Care Infrastructure in Frontier Areas Subject to Seasonal Variations in Population, Jill Sherman.
  3. Technology for Training the Health Care Workforce in the Frontier.
  4. Frontier EMS – Staffing Services with Volunteer and Paid Workers, Karen Sweeney.
- 12:00 NOON BREAK
- 12:15 PM LUNCH
- 1:00 PM Continue Discussion on Contract Task 4
- 3:00 PM BREAK
- 3:15 PM Continue Discussion on Contract Task 4
- 4:45 PM Summarize information covered, plan conference calls, evaluate meeting  
(written evaluation forms will also be provided)
- 6:00 PM RECEPTION