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New Mexico's Investments in Cancer Research

University of New Mexico Cancer Center: Challenges and Opportunities

Rich Ethnic Diversity
Distinct Cancer Patterns
Population: 1,919,000
42% Hispanic
10% American Indian
5% Other Minorities
44% Non Hispanic White

High Technology
Sandia and Los Alamos
National Laboratories
UNM /NMSU
Biotechnology Industry

Tremendous Disparity
Per Capita Income: 47th
Poverty: 18 - 36%
Uninsured: 22 - 32%



New Mexico: 5th Largest State in Land Mass



Making the Case for State Support

- Licensure: Become State's "Official" Cancer Center
- Research and Public Service Projects: Receive Direct State Appropriation (Frequently Tobacco Excise Tax)
 - Develop mission and goals relevant to your State
 - Develop statewide or integrated Cancer Care Network
 - Develop outreach programs for community-based participatory research and overcoming health disparities
 - Justify research investments for economic development
- Identify key legislators to serve as advocates
- Seek recurring State appropriations and demonstrate their impact on provision of cancer services and economic development

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Annual Recurring Revenues

- Research & Public Service Project : \$3 million
- Tobacco Excise Tax: \$3.4 million
- Tobacco Excise Tax for Construction: \$13 million
 - Limited to 25 Years
 - Used to Pay Debt Service on Bonds (NM Finance Authority)

Non-Recurring Revenues:

- Access to Capital / Equipment Funds \$16.5 million
- (2000-2008)