

DELAWARE INSTITUTE FOR MEDICAL EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

(DIMER)

Through the Delaware Institute for Medical Education and Research (DIMER), Delaware has an agreement with two medical schools in Philadelphia – Sidney Kimmel Medical College (Sidney Kimmel) and the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM). Each year Sidney Kimmel agrees to accept at least 20 Delaware applicants into the freshman class and PCOM agrees to accept at least five. In return, Sidney Kimmel receives \$1 million and PCOM receives \$12,500 per student, up to \$250,000, regardless of how many Delawareans matriculate there. Also through DIMER, Delaware has provided tuition assistance to DIMER students at both Sidney Kimmel and PCOM, provided funding to residency and medical education programs at the University of Delaware (UD) and Christiana Care Health System (Christiana), and matched federal funding for the State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP).

DIMER Appropriations History

State funding for DIMER has been reduced in the past several years. This is a history of DIMER funding for Fiscal Year 2015 through Fiscal Year 2017:

Fiscal Year 2015 – In Senate Bill 255, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, funding was appropriated to the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) for DIMER in the amount of \$2,130,000.

- Sidney Kimmel - \$1,000,000
- PCOM - \$250,000
- UD - \$50,000
- Christiana - \$200,000
- Tuition assistance - \$480,000
- SLRP - \$150,000

Fiscal Year 2016 – In Senate Bill 225, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, funding was appropriated to DHSS for DIMER, but was decreased to \$1,930,200.

- Sidney Kimmel - \$1,000,000
- PCOM - \$250,000
- UD - \$50,000
- Christiana - \$200,000
- Tuition assistance - \$280,200
- SLRP - \$150,000

Fiscal Year 2017 – Funding for DIMER was not included in Senate Bill 285, which allocates General Funds to DHSS. However, funding was allocated to DIMER through Senate Bill 295, which makes appropriations for certain grants-in-aid for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. DIMER was allocated a total amount of \$1,578,605.

- Sidney Kimmel - \$1,000,000
- PCOM - \$250,000
- Tuition assistance - \$280,200
- SLRP - \$198,405

Budget Appropriation for DIMER, FY15 - FY17			
Fiscal Year	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Source	General Fund	General Fund	Grants-in-Aid*
Jefferson/SKMC	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
PCOM	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000
University of Delaware	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0
Christiana Care	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0
Loan Repayment	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$198,405
Tuition Assistance	\$480,000	\$280,200	\$280,200
TOTAL	\$2,130,000	\$1,930,200	\$1,578,605
# of Entering Students	46	41	46
<i>* FY 2017 funding was allocated to DIDER by the Dept. of Insurance Captive Insurance Fund</i>			