

WASHINGTON- A study released today by the University of Nebraska Medical Center indicates Nebraska faces a shortage of medical professionals, especially in rural areas over the next 10 years. Congressman Terry is a co-sponsor of the 'Resident Physician Shortage Reduction Act of 2009', H.R. 2251. This legislation will increase the number of residency positions by approximately 15,000 across the United States.

**"The shortage of doctors across our country continues to grow," said Congressman Lee Terry. "In Nebraska 18 counties do not have a doctor and over half of the 93 counties have a shortage of primary care physicians. This legislation provides medical schools with the much-needed resources to increase the amount of residency positions they can offer to medical students. At a time when Congress is moving towards expanding health care service to millions more Americans, we need to significantly increase the number of medical professionals to care for them."**

