**Section 975.200 Grants**

a) *The Department shall establish a community health center expansion grant program and may make grants to eligible community providers subject to appropriations for that purpose. The grants shall be for the purpose of*:

1) *establishing new community health center sites to provide primary health care services to medically underserved populations or areas as defined in Section 5* of the Act; *or*

2) *providing primary health care services to the uninsured population of Illinois.* (Section 10 of the Act)

b) *Grants under this Section shall be for periods of 3 years. The Department may make new grants whenever the total amount appropriated for grants is sufficient to fund both the new grants and the grants already in effect.* (Section 10 of the Act) Sustainability grant funding for an additional three years shall be available in accordance with Section 975.210.

c) *A recipient of a grant to establish a new community health center site must add each such site to the recipient's established service area for the purpose of extending federal FQHC or FQHC Look-Alike status to the new site in accordance with federal regulations* (42 CFR 51c)*. The grant recipient must complete this process by the end of the second year of the grant*. (Section 10 of the Act)

d) Failure to comply with this Part shall result in the discontinuation of grant funding.