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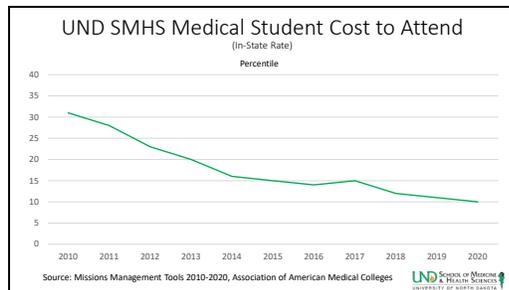
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Request from UND SMHS Re: SB 2030

- Remove the restriction in NDCC regarding the participation of the UND SMHS in the Challenge Grant program (NDCC 15-10-48-1d):
"Projects at the university of North Dakota school of medicine and health sciences are not eligible to receive a grant under this section"
- Why? Because of the great importance of student scholarships in retaining physicians and other health sciences graduates for practice in North Dakota

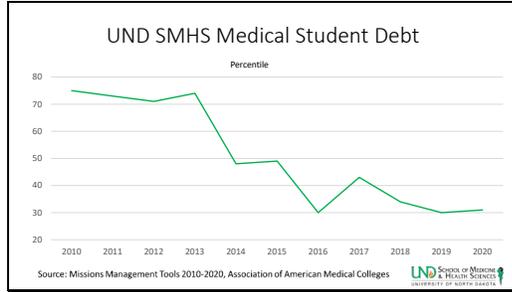
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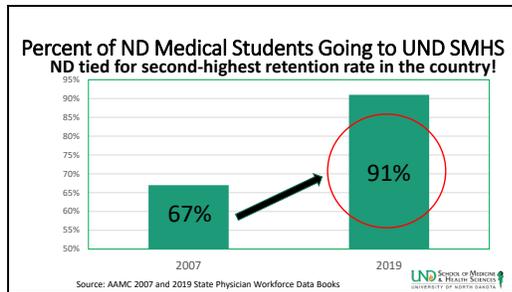
This chart again looks at percentile rank (UND SMHS compared with all other medical schools). In 2020, the cost to attend UND SMHS for a student from North Dakota was lower than at nine out of ten of the medical schools in the US.

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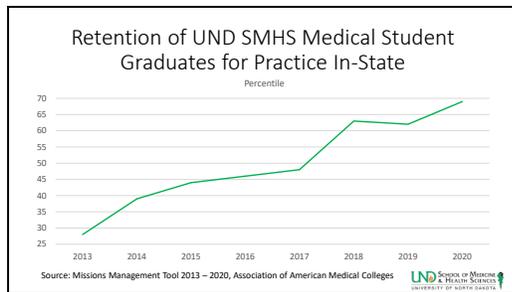
This chart uses percentile rank to look at student debt over time. Our medical students in 2010 had average debt levels well about the national average at other medical schools, and we have now driven the debt level down so that in 2020 the medical students at more than two out of three medical schools had average debt levels more than our students did.

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This chart looks at the cohort of North Dakotans who matriculate in any medical school in the United States in the specified year. In 2007, two out of three North Dakotans who entered medical school came to the UND SMHS. Last year that percentage increased to more than nine out of ten.

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This chart looks at the retention of UND SMHS medical student graduates for practice in-state. The data are shown as percentile, where our results are compared with all other medical schools. We have gone from well below average in 2013 to well above average in 2020. In 2020, our retention rate was better than that at more than two-thirds of the medical schools in the US.

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- Remove the restriction in NDCC regarding the participation of the UND SMHS in the Challenge Grant program (NDCC 15-10-48-1d)
- This request is supported by UND and the UNDAAF
- Thank you for your consideration



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