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WASHINGTON, D.C. -- The office of Senator Bob Dole announced the Senator's intention to introduce early next week a bill designed to help alleviate the critical shortage of professional medical personnel in rural Kansas and other sparsely populated areas across the country.

The bill will provide an incentive for physicians to establish a practice in areas of critical health manpower shortages and would permit physicians who currently have incurred a military obligation to fulfill this obligation by serving in rural areas of critical need.

Senator Dole said that in recognition of the extreme demand for professional medical personnel in many parts of Kansas and in rural areas across the country, legislative action is needed to redirect Federal programs to help meet this demand. "The bill I will introduce next week is one means of making rural practice more attractive to both individual practitioners and personnel serving in the National Health Service Corps."