Med school wins award

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For the fourth year in a row, the University of Nevada School of Medicine has been recognized by the American Academy of Family Physicians for the high percentage of medical students who graduate and choose a family practice residency.

In the three previous years, the school has earned a Bronze Achievement Award for increasingly higher percentages. This year, the percentage moved up nearly four percentage points, enough to earn the Silver Achievement Award.

The School of Medicine was established more than 25 years ago with the primary goal of furnishing primary care physicians for Nevada. Although other specialties have been added because of state medical needs, primary care is still a focus of the school's programs. Because of that focus, the school earned a \$750,000 grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to participate in the Generalist Physician Initiative, established to encourage students to consider generalist careers.

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