

Study seeks to improve health care for Hispanics

Government grant intended to ensure improved access

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Taking the first step to eliminate language barriers and problems of eligibility and access that plagued Hispanic residents seeking health care after Hurricane Katrina, the federal government is underwriting a survey to determine what improvements the Latino community needs and wants.

The \$250,000 grant from the Office of Minority Health, which will be disclosed today in New Orleans, will pay for a survey of the areas Katrina hit in Louisiana, Mississippi and parts of Alabama.

But the result is expected to be a model that can be used throughout the United States, said

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