Agenda Item 6:

HCAI Workforce Program and Recommendations Updates

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Workforce Program Categories

Behavioral Health Nursing **Primary Care** Oral Health



Behavioral Health Programs

Certified Wellness Coach Employer Support (CWCES) Grant Program

- Objective: Provide funds for employers seeking to onboard Certified Wellness Coaches in settings that serve children and youth
- Funding: \$120,000,000
- Status: <u>Application</u> closes March 15th, 2024

Wellness Coach Scholarship Program (WCSP)

- Objective: Provide funds to students seeking future employment as a Certified Wellness Coach
- Funding: up to \$169,000,000 for one or more cycles including wrap-around support
- Status: Application opens April 2024



Behavioral Health Programs

Behavioral Health Scholarship Program (BHSP)

- Objective: Provides funds for students seeking future employment in behavioral health
- Funding: \$19,500,000 for one or more cycles
- Status: Application opens April 2024

Golden State Social Opportunities Program (GSSOP)

- Objective: Provides funds for students seeking future employment as licensed clinicians in behavioral health
- Funding: \$3,500,000
- Status: Application opens April 2024



Nursing

Vocational Nurse Scholarship Program (VNSP)

- Objective: Provides funds for students seeking future employment as a Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN)
- Funding: \$17,000
- Status: Awarded 5 students in January

LVN to ADN Scholarship Program (LVN to ADN)

- Objective: Provides funds to current LVN's who are seeking an Associate Degree in Nursing
- Funding: \$40,000
- Status: Awarded 5 students in January



Nursing

Associate Degree Nursing Scholarship Program (ADNSP)

- Objective: Provides funds for students seeking an Associate Degree in Nursing
- Funding: \$40,000
- Status: Awarded 5 students in January

Bachelor of Science Nursing Scholarship (BSNSP)

- Objective: Provides funds for students seeking a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing
- Funding: \$77,781
- Status: Awarded 8 students in January



21st Century Nursing FY23-24 Funding Overview



21st Century Nursing Vision Statement

A healthy, diverse, and highly qualified nursing workforce that optimizes health and health equity for all people in California

Strategy I: Improve Nursing Education

- •\$39M
- •\$15M Centralized Clinical Placement System
- •\$3M UCSF FirstGenRN
- •\$1M Associate Degree of Nursing Scholarships
- •\$20M Psychiatric Education Capacity Expansion: PMHNP

Strategy II: Improve Distribution of the Nursing Workforce

•\$8M to address workforce diversity and distribution. We are considering apprenticeship programs or other mechanisms to fund

Strategy III: Retain the Nursing Workforce

- •\$6M
- Interventions designed to address moral injury/burnout, and provide mentorship to improve retention and facilitate professional growth and development.
- •\$3M 1440 Multiversity
- •\$3M Health Impact Mentors

Strategy IV: Flexible Spending

- •\$13.5M
- •\$7M Protected Investments
- •\$5M Registered Nurse Education Fund
- •\$2M Certified Nurse Midwifery
- •\$6.5M Potential investments:
- Career pathways for RNs
- Define and pilot RN apprenticeship models in collaboration with LWDA

Strategy V: Plan for the Future

- Data-driven nursing workforce strategy development to determine:
- Forecasted nursing workforce supply and demand, by provider type and geography
- Which interventions are most effective for addressing prioritize challenges
- High impact and promising interventions for available resources



Primary Care Programs

- Advanced Practice Healthcare Scholarship Program (APHSP)
 - Objective: Provides funds for students seeking future employment as advanced practice healthcare professionals
 - Funding: \$2,756,344
 - Status: Awarded 120 students in January
- Allied Healthcare Scholarship Program (AHSP)
 - Objective: Provides funds for students seeking future employment in allied health professions
 - Funding: \$969,937
 - Status: Awarded 71 students in January
- Song-Brown Primary Care Residency (PCR)
 - Objective: To increase the number of students and residents receiving quality primary care education and training in areas of unmet need throughout California
 - Funding: \$72,100,000
 - Status: Awarded 288 slots across 121 institutions in March



Governor's January Budget Proposal

- From FY 23/24 to FY 27/28, there are \$334.5 million in workforce deferrals and special loans
 - Workforce Delays for:
 - Nursing \$70M
 - Social Work: \$70.1M
 - Mental Health Services Fund (MHSF) Workforce Delays: \$189.4 million
 - Special Fund Loans to GF: \$5 million
- Significant impacts begin in FY 24/25 across multiple funding activities, including:
 - PECE, SWECE, BHSP, and several LRPs and scholarships
 - If the current proposal holds, there will likely be reduced or deferred funding activities in FY 24/25, FY 25/26, and FY 26/27



December Council Meeting Review

Items from the December Meeting:

- Diversifying the Physician and Nursing Workforce in California
 - We discussed recommendations for HCAI efforts in diversifying our future Physician and Nursing Workforce
 - Next Steps: HCAI to explore next steps in promoting diversity in the primary care workforce including:
 - Making financial supports more flexible
 - Exploring options for supporting accelerated programs
 - Identifying HCAI Programs where DEI can be more effectively promoted
- Allied Health Workforce Discussion
 - We discussed the challenges facing the Allied Health workforce
 - Next Steps: Presenting themes on Allied Health and a deep dive into Wellness Coaches

