

health professional shortage areas designated under section 332 of the PHS Act.

Estimated Amount of This

Competition: \$500,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 69.

Estimated Project Period: 1 year.

HRSA-04-013 Nurse Anesthetist Traineeships (NATR)

Application Availability Date:

September 12, 2003.

Application Deadline: November 14, 2003.

Projected Award Date: July 1, 2004.

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HRSA-04-014 Nursing Education, Practice and Retention Grants (NEPR)

CFDA: 93.359.

Legislative Authority: Public Health Service Act, Title VIII, Section 831, 42 U.S.C. 296p.

Purpose: Grants are awarded to eligible institutions for projects to strengthen and enhance the capacity for nurse education, practice and retention to address the nursing shortage. Education priority areas are: (1) Expanding enrollment in baccalaureate nursing programs; (2) developing and implementing internship and residency programs to encourage mentoring and the development of specialties; (3) providing education in new technologies, including distance learning methodologies. Practice priority areas are: (1) Establishing or expanding nursing proactive arrangements in non-institutional settings to demonstrate methods to improve access to primary health care in medically underserved communities; (2) providing care for underserved populations and other high-risk groups such as the elderly, individuals with HIV/AIDS, substance abusers, the homeless, and victims of domestic violence; (3) providing managed care, quality improvement, and other skills needed to practice in existing and emerging organized health care systems; (4) developing cultural competencies among nurses. Retention priority areas are: (1) Career ladder programs which: (A) Promote career advancement for nursing personnel in a variety of training settings, cross training or specialty training among diverse population groups, and the advancement of individuals to become professional nurses, advanced education nurses, licensed practical nurses, certified nurse assistants, and home

health aides; and (B) assist individuals in obtaining education and training required to enter the nursing profession and advance within such profession, such as by providing career counseling and mentoring; or (2) enhancing patient care delivery systems through improving the retention of nurses and enhancing patient care that is directly related to nursing activities by enhancing collaboration and communication among nurses and other health care professionals, and by promoting nurse involvement in the organizational and clinical decision making processes of a health care facility.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants for the purpose to expand enrollment in baccalaureate nursing programs are collegiate schools of nursing. Eligible entities for all other purposes are: Schools of nursing, health care facilities, or a partnership of such a school and facility, nursing centers, academic health centers, State or local governments, an Indian Tribe or Tribal organization, other public or private non-profit entities including faith-based organizations and community-based organizations, and for-profit entities capable of carrying out the legislative purpose.

Review Criteria: Final review criteria are included in the application kit.

Funding Preferences: As provided in Section 805 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, preference will be given to applicants with projects that will substantially benefit rural or underserved populations, or help meet public health nursing needs in state or local health departments. For purposes of any amount of funds appropriated to carry out Section 831 for fiscal year 2003, 2004, or 2005 that is in excess of the amount of funds appropriated to carry out this section for fiscal year 2002, preference will be given to awarding grants under subsections (a)(2) Developing and implementing internship and residency programs to encourage mentoring and development of specialties, and (c) Retention Priority grants for Career Ladder Programs and for Enhancing Patient Care Delivery Systems.

Estimated Amount of This

Competition: \$3,058,400.

Estimated Number of Awards: 11.

Estimated Project Period: 2 to 5 years.

HRSA-04-014 Nursing Education, Practice and Retention Grants (NEPR)

Application Availability Date:

September 15, 2003.

Application Deadline: December 15, 2003.

Projected Award Date: July 1, 2004.

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HRSA-04-015 Training in Primary Care Medicine and Dentistry (DRPC) *

CFDA: 93.884.

Legislative Authority: Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 747, 42 U.S.C. 293k.

Purpose: Grants are awarded for any single purpose or combination of the following purposes: (1) Residency Training in Primary Care—to plan, develop, and operate or participate (including provision of financial assistance) in approved residency programs in family medicine, general internal medicine and/or general pediatrics; (2) Faculty Development in Primary Care—to plan, develop, and operate (including provision of financial assistance) programs for the training of physicians who plan to teach in family medicine (including geriatrics), general internal medicine and/or general pediatrics training programs; (3) Predoctoral Training in Primary Care—to plan, develop, and operate or participate (including provision of financial assistance) in predoctoral programs in family medicine, general internal medicine and/or general pediatrics; (4) Academic Administrative Units—to meet the costs of projects to establish, maintain or improve academic administrative units to provide clinical instruction in family medicine, general internal medicine and/or general pediatrics; (5) Physician Assistant Training—to meet the costs of projects to plan, develop and operate or maintain approved programs, as defined in section 799B, for the training of physician assistants, and for the training of individuals who will teach in programs to provide such training; (6) General and Pediatric Dentistry—to meet the costs of planning, developing, or operating approved residency programs of general or pediatric dentistry, including providing financial assistance to the trainees in these programs.

* This program is not included in the President's budget for FY 2004. Potential applicants for funds should consider this announcement provisional until final Congressional action on appropriations is taken. Updated information on Congressional action on appropriations will be available on the HRSA Web site.

Eligibility: For program purposes (1), (2), and (5) public or nonprofit private hospitals, accredited schools of