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To: Chief Elected Officials MassHire Workforce Board Chairs MassHire Workforce Board Directors MassHire Career Center Directors MassHire Fiscal Officers MDCS Operations Managers

cc: WIOA State Partners

- From: Diane Hurley, Acting Director MassHire Department of Career Services
- Date: November 17, 2022

Subject: Nursing Expansion Program Grant Funding Opportunity

- Purpose: To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators, and other local workforce partners of a funding opportunity through the Department of Labor (DOL) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) FOA-ETA-22-16 / DOL Nursing Expansion Grant Program.
- **Background:** The DOL ETA has announced \$80 million in funding available for the Nursing Expansion Grant Program. The grant has 2 Tracks: First (Nurse Education Professional Track) will increase the number of clinical and vocational nursing instructors and educators by training new or upskilling experienced current or former nurses (including retired nurses) into advanced postsecondary credentialing necessary for nurses to become clinical and vocational nursing instructors and educators. The second (Nursing Career Pathway Track) will train frontline healthcare professionals and paraprofessionals, including direct care workers, to advance along a career pathway and attain postsecondary credentials needed for middle- to high-skilled nursing occupations during the grant period of performance.

Funding Opportunity Number: Application Deadline: Estimated Total Funding:	<u>FOA-ETA-22-16</u> January 6, 2023 \$80 million
Estimated Number of Awards:	15 – 25
Award Range:	Track 1 - \$2 - 6 million (Nursing Educators)
	Track 2 - \$1 - 3 million (Nursing Pathways)
Period of Performance:	60 Months (starting 2/1/23)
Eligible Applicants:	Workforce development entities, see FOA for a complete list

Action

Requested: Please share with managers, staff, and partners as appropriate.

Effective: Immediately.