Nursing Shortage Reduction Programs

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- Provides incentive funding to institutions that
  - Increase professional nursing graduates
  - Increase enrollments of students seeking initial nursing licensure

- Program is open to professional nursing programs In all sectors
  - State institutions
  - Private not-for-profit institutions
  - Community colleges

- Nursing Shortage Reduction is comprised of three separate programs

Program	FY 2018 & FY 2019 Funding
Regular Program	$2.2 Million
Over 70 Program	$4.6 Million
Under 70 Program	$2.1 Million

- Regular Program: Key Elements
  - Open to all professional nursing programs
  - Started in FY 2006
  - Application is yearly
  - Awards are yearly
  - Based upon historical increase in nursing graduates as submitted on the CBM 009
  - Typical award is $3,000 - $3,500 per graduate
  - Award must supplement current nursing program funding (cannot replace existing funding)

- Over 70 Program: Key Elements
  - Added in FY 2010
  - Nursing programs with a graduation rate of over 70% are eligible
  - Application is for a two year period
  - Each year is awarded separately
  - Awards are based upon increased enrollment targets set by Legislature
  - Institutions are advanced award funds
  - Institutions must repay any unearned funds
  - Typical base award is $10,000 per initial licensure
  - Enrollment increase is based on initial licensure data as published by the Center for Nursing Workforce Studies
  - Over-target awards $3,500 - $4,000 per enrollment increase

- Under 70 Program: Key Elements
  - Added in FY 2010
  - Nursing programs with a graduation rate of under 70% are eligible
  - Application is for a two year period
  - One award for the two year period
  - Award is based upon increased graduates of initial licensure nursing students as reported on the CMB 009
  - Targets are determined by institutions
  - Institutions are advanced award funds
  - Institutions must repay any unearned funds
  - Typical base award is $8,100/$16,200 per graduate
  - Over-target award is $7,000/$14,000 per graduate

- Administration Requirements
  - Institutions have one assigned NSRP point of contact for the programs
  - Institutions have almost five fiscal years to expend their awards
  - Use of award expenditures is restricted to being expended exclusively on costs related to the approved categories within the nursing program
  - Institutions should document the basis for the expenditure classification, in case it is audited
  - Audits are required for awards over $500K

- Other important considerations

  - Application submission deadlines will be strictly enforced
  - CBM 009 reporting is due on October 1 of each year for nursing graduates
  - Success with the over 70 and under 70 programs can be compromised if reporting of RPA codes on the CBM 001 is not timely and accurate
  - Institutions should carefully review their nursing shortage admission program data prior to submission

- RPA codes
  - RPA Codes are used to determine separate counts of one-year and two-year students.
  - RPA Codes are used in determining Nursing Graduation Rates, which determine the split between the Over 70 and Under 70 programs.
  - RPA Codes directly affect the calculation of any Under 70 Program award.

Listing of RPA Codes			
Public Universities	Community, Technical & State Colleges	Health-Related Institutions	Independent Colleges & Universities
10	06	10	10
11	08	12	11
12	09	13	12
13	11	15	13
14			14
15			15

Additional details regarding RPA codes are located in the CBM Reporting Manuals.

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