

ABOUT THE TITLE VIII REAUTHORIZATION ACT (H.R. 728/S. 1399)

RECOGNIZES ALL FOUR APRN ROLES

 Historically, only three (nurse practitioners, certified registered nurse anesthetists, and certified nurse-midwives) of the four Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) roles have been delineated in the Title VIII statute. The Title VIII statute is amended in two places to include Clinical Nurse Specialists (CNSs), thus creating equity among the APRN roles.

INCLUDES CLINICAL NURSE LEADERS

 The Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) evaluates patient outcomes, assesses cohort risk, and has the decision-making authority to change care plans when necessary. The Title VIII statute is amended to include CNLs, which allows for parity with the other master's degree programs that can apply for the Title VIII Advanced Education Nursing program.

DEFINES NURSE-MANAGED HEALTH CLINICS

 Nurse-Managed Health Clinics (NMHCs) are effective in providing individualized care that includes health promotion, disease prevention and early detection, health teaching, management of chronic conditions, treatment of acute illnesses, and counseling. NMHCs, run by nurse practitioners, traditionally focus on populations underserved by the larger healthcare system and are learning environments for healthcare providers. The Title VIII statute is amended to include a NMHC definition, making them an eligible entity within Title VIII.

EXPANDS CHOICES FOR NURSE CORPS LOAN REPAYMENT

• The Title VIII statute is amended to allow all nurses serving at qualified health care facilities, regardless of tax status, to participate in the NURSE Corps Loan Repayment Program.

REQUEST: COSPONSOR AND PASS TITLE VIII NURSING WORKFORCE REAUTHORIZATION ACT (H.R. 728/S. 1399)

THE IMPACT OF THE TITLE VIII NURSING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS ON PATIENTS AND COMMUNITIES IN ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-2018*

Advanced Nursing Education Program

- 3,649 students supported, which includes 1,319 graduates
- Grantees partnered with 1,923 clinical training sites
- 41% of sites were located in medically underserved areas; 63% were in primary care settings

Nurse Anesthetist Traineeships (NAT)

- 2,729 students supported through NAT
- 77% of NAT recipients trained in medically underserved areas; 45% were in primary care settings

TITLE VIII NURSING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, the Nursing Workforce Development Programs (Title VIII of the Public Health Service Act [42 U.S.C. 296 et seq.]) address all aspects of nursing workforce demand, including education, practice, recruitment, and retention. Reauthorizing Title VIII ensures that these key initiatives are authorized for funding for five-years.

Nursing Workforce Diversity

- 6,549 students supported, which includes 2,886 graduates
- Grantees partnered with 743 clinical training sites
- 48% of sites were located in medically-underserved areas; 33% were in primary care settings

Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention Program

- Nearly 5,300 individuals trained by grantees of the Interprofessional Collaborative Practice Program (IPCP)
- 61% of IPCP clinical training sites were located in medically underserved communities; 55% were in primary care settings

Nurse Faculty Loan Repayment Program (NFLP)

- 80 schools received new NFLP grant awards
- 2,172 students supported
- 84% of students who received loans were pursuing doctoral-level nursing degrees
- 94% of the graduated trainees intend to teach nursing

Nurse Corps Scholarship and Loan Repayment Programs

- 1,003 Scholarship and Loan Repayment Awards funded
- 54% of Nurse Corps Loan Repayment participants extended their service commitment for an additional year
- 89.7% of participants retained at at critical shortage facility for up to two years beyond their service commitment

^{*}Source: Health Resources and Services Administration. Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Justification. Retrieved from: https://www.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/hrsa/about/budget/budget-justification-fy2020.pdf

