# \$80 million in grant funding available to train, expand, and diversify the nursing workforce for quality jobs

## WHAT IT DOES

The U.S Department of Labor's Nursing Expansion Grant Program is designed to support nursing training programs to diversify the pipeline of nursing professionals able to fill these jobs and improve the nation's healthcare system. This grant program places an emphasis on training people from historically marginalized and underrepresented populations to bring greater employment equity in underserved communities and improve healthcare workforce diversity.

The department's Nursing Expansion Grant Program is driven by partnerships between public and private sector entities. These grants will support organizations that use worker-centered industry sector strategies to train nursing instructors or create nursing professional pathway programs. Applicants must propose training program models that solicit workers, unions, worker organizations and employers to build partnerships with community-based organizations and training institutions.

### THE GOALS OF THE GRANT PROGRAM ARE TO:

- 1. Increase the number of nursing instructors and educators (including classroom and vocational/clinical instruction) by training new nurses or upskilling experienced current or former nurses into advanced postsecondary credentialing to become nursing instructors and educators.
- 2. Train participants as 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 jobs in nursing.

## WHO IT SERVES (Target Population)

- Individuals who are at least 17 years old and not currently enrolled in secondary school (high school) within a local educational agency
- Unemployed, underemployed, and incumbent workers
- Veterans, military spouses, and transitioning service members
- Historically marginalized and underrepresented populations including women, people of color, justice-impacted individuals, individuals with disabilities, and other populations with employment barriers

#### WHO CAN APPLY

- Nonprofit healthcare organizations
- Nonprofit trade, industry, or employer associations
- Labor unions, labor-management organizations, and worker organizations
- Education/Training Providers
- Workforce Development Entities

Native American Tribal Governments (Federally recognized)

## **HOW TO APPLY?**

• Grants.gov; Applications are due online by January 6, 2023, no later than 11:59 PM ET.