

Educating America's Advanced Practice Registered Nurses and Federal Support for Nursing Education



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Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) Education

Academic Year 2013-2014



Nurse Practitioners (NP)

- 63,756 NP Students
- 15,358 NP Graduates



Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA)

- 4,230 CRNA Students
- 1,328 CRNA Graduates



Clinical Nurse Specialists (CNS)

- 2,349 CNS Students
- 794 CNS Graduates



Certified Nurse-Midwives (CNM)

- 1,456 CNM Students
- 419 CNM Graduates



APRN Education

- ⦿ Nurses must have completed the content in a baccalaureate program before moving into an APRN program.
- ⦿ Two preparation options:
 - Master's degree: ~2 years full-time
 - Doctor of Nursing Practice: ~3 years full-time
- ⦿ Extensive clinical and didactic training
 - Clinical training depends on the APRN program and can occur in a host of healthcare settings from the hospital to the community clinic.



Historical Context and Current Federal Funding Streams for Nursing Education



Nursing Workforce Development Programs

Title VIII of the U.S. Public Health Service Act
(42 U.S.C.296 et seq)

- For 50 years, the programs have supported the supply and distribution of registered nurses at all levels.
- The programs serve as the largest dedicated source of federal funding for nursing education and workforce development.

1963- U.C. Surgeon General's report "*Toward Quality in Nursing, Needs and Goals.*"

GOAL: Increase the practicing RN population to 850,000 by the year 1970.

**Nurse Training Act of 1964
(P.L. 88-581)**

Authorized \$238 million.

Appropriated \$9.92 million in its first year.

President Johnson observed that the Nurse Training Act of 1964 was the most significant nursing legislation in the history of the country.



Major Programs within Title VIII



Advanced
Nursing
Education
(Sec. 811)



Nursing
Workforce
Diversity
(Sec. 821)



Nursing
Education,
Practice,
Quality, and
Retention
(Sec. 831)



NURSE CORPS
Nursing Loan
Repayment
and
Scholarship
(Sec. 846)



Nurse
Faculty
Loan
Program
(Sec. 846)



Comprehensive
Geriatric
Education
(Sec. 855)



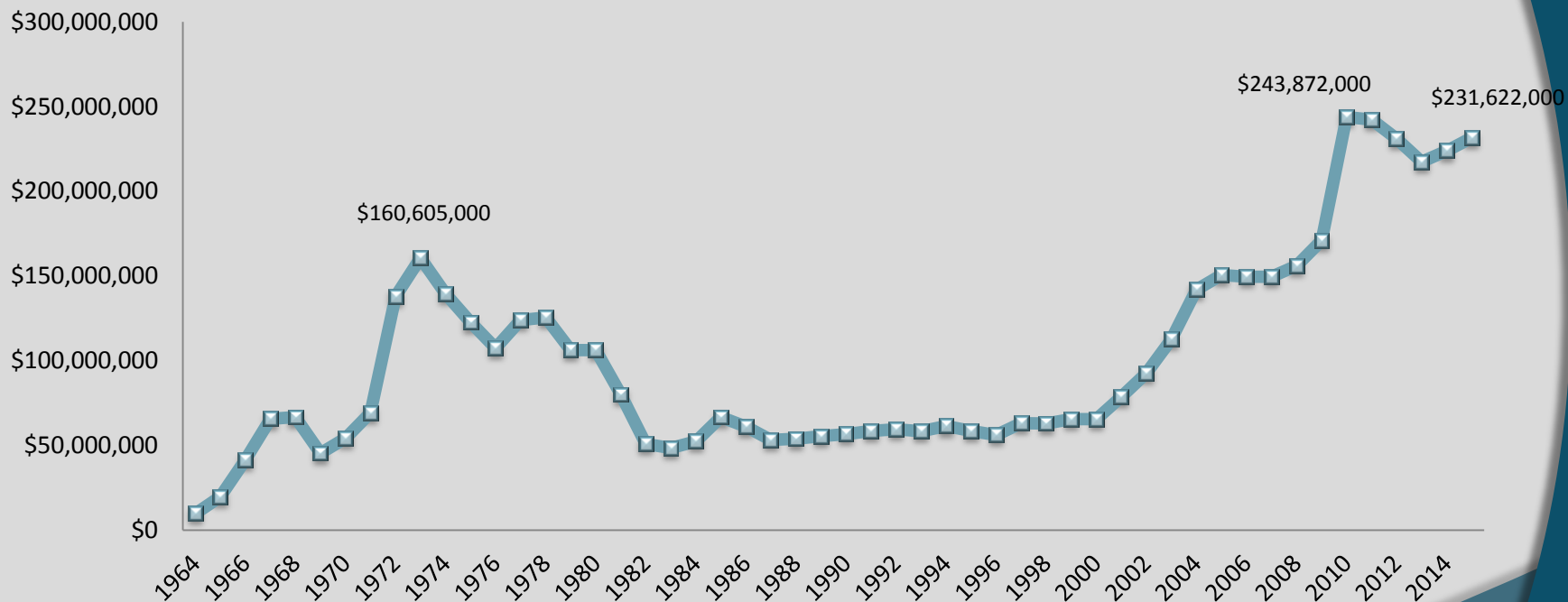
10-Year Historical Title VIII Funding

(In Millions)

	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Nursing Workforce Development (Title VIII)	\$150.67	\$149.68	\$149.68	\$156.05	\$171.03	\$243.87	\$242.38	\$231.09	\$217.50	\$223.84	\$231.62
Advanced Education Nursing	\$58.17	\$57.06	\$57.06	\$61.88	\$64.44	\$64.43	\$64.04	\$63.92	\$59.94	\$61.58	\$63.58
Nursing Workforce Diversity	\$16.27	\$16.11	\$16.11	\$15.83	\$16.11	\$16.10	\$16.00	\$15.81	\$14.98	\$15.34	\$15.34
Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention	\$36.48	\$37.29	\$37.29	\$36.64	\$37.29	\$39.89	\$39.65	\$39.18	\$37.11	\$38.01	\$39.91
NURSE Corps Loan Repayment and Scholarship Program	\$31.49	\$31.06	\$31.06	\$30.51	\$37.13	\$93.86	\$93.29	\$83.13	\$77.95	\$79.98	\$81.78
Nurse Faculty Loan Program	\$4.83	\$4.71	\$4.77	\$7.86	\$11.50	\$25	\$24.84	\$24.55	\$23.25	\$24.56	\$26.50
Comprehensive Geriatric Education	\$3.45	\$3.39	\$3.39	\$3.33	\$4.57	\$4.56	\$4.53	\$4.48	\$4.24	\$4.36	\$4.50

Source: American Association of Colleges of Nursing. (2015). Historic Nursing Appropriations. Retrieved from <http://www.aacn.nche.edu/government-affairs/Historic-FY-Funding.pdf>

Historical Funding for Title VIII FY 1964-2015



National Health Service Corps

Loan Repayment Program

Eligible APRN applicants include Primary Care NPs, CMNs, Psychiatric CNSs

- Awardees receive up to \$50,000 in exchange for two-years of service if they practice in a Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA).



Scholarship Program

Eligible APRN applicants include NP and CNM students

- The scholarship pays tuition, fees, other educational costs, and provides a living stipend in return for a commitment to work at least 2 years at an approved outpatient facility in a medically underserved community.



Source: National Health Service Corps. (2015). Loan Repayment Programs. Retrieved from:

<http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/index.html>.

Source: National Health Service Corps. (2015). Scholarships. Retrieved from:

<http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/scholarships/index.html>.



Graduate Nurse Education Timeline

1993

- Nursing leaders suggest sustainable funding for graduate nursing education during the Clinton health reform discussions.

2009

- American Association of Colleges of Nursing, American Nurses Association, the APRN community, and AARP recommend a free standing Graduate Nurse Education Program.
- Senator Debbie Stabenow (D-MI) and Representative Lois Capps (D-CA) introduce the Medicare Graduate Nursing Education Act (S. 1569, H.R. 3185-111th Congress).

2010

- Affordable Care Act (ACA) passes with the Graduate Nurse Education (GNE) Demonstration included.



Questions

