

California Healthcare Workforce Policy Commission
Executive Secretary Report
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- At the August 25, 2016, meeting, the California Healthcare Workforce Policy Commission (CHWPC) took action to award funds to Family Medicine Residency Programs. Prior to the award of funds, the CHWPC approved, an additional allocation of approximately \$1M for distribution to Family Medicine Programs. This amount, however, was not reflected in the Excel spreadsheet. Thus, the award distribution approved by the CHWPC only reflected the original allocation of approximately \$4M, not the full \$5,091,606 the CHWPC intended to award. In an effort to reflect that intent, staff leveraged the CHWPC's original approved allocation and added additional slots in priority order, increasing the number of slots awarded to 9 programs from 3 slots to 4 slots and 8 programs from 1 slot to 2 slots.
- State Loan Repayment Program
 - The 2016 application cycle closed on October 1, 2016.
 - OSHPD will conduct a second cycle early next calendar year to award funds to practitioners in select rural counties. OSHPD entered into a contract with County Medical Services Program to award approximately \$3.3 million over three years to specific sites in rural areas.
 - In order to comply with AB 2048, OSHPD will begin listing all federally qualified health centers on the California State Loan Repayment Program's certified eligible site list. These sites will still be required to provide matching funds to participate in the program.
- Workforce Education and Training Program Request for Applications (RFA)
 - Final filing date for the Workforce RFA was October 7, 2016. A total of \$1M is available to fund organizations that will provide services to retain persons who are currently employed by or volunteer in the public mental health system. OSHPD will announce the notice of intent to award on October 28, 2016.
 - Releasing RFAs in the October/November time frame
 - \$4.2M available to fund educational capacity programs to support Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioners.
 - \$4.1M available to fund educational capacity programs to support Psychiatric Residents.
- Song-Brown Program
 - Family Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant (FNP/PA) application cycle closed on October 10, 2016. The CHWPC will award up to \$2.1M to FNP/PA Programs in January 2017.
 - Registered Nurse (RN) Capitation/Special Program application will be released November 2, 2016, with applications due December 15, 2016. The CHWPC will award up to \$2.725M to RN Programs in March 2017.
- On September 14, 2016, OSHPD staff presented Grant Year 3 Song-Brown and Health Careers Training Program outcomes to The California Endowment.
- CalREACH replacement is moving forward on schedule to launch early 2018. Staff reviewed frames for the Song-Brown Program and are excited by what we see. We believe the new application tool will greatly improve the process.