

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. In FY 2024, Title VIII programs received \$305.472 million², which supported over 24,000¹nurses, nursing students, and grantees. Currently, there are more than 4.5 million nurses³nationwide, and AACN represents over 875 schools, 57,000 faculty members, and 520,00 students.⁴

TITLE VIII PROGRAMS¹

<p>ANE</p>	<p>Advanced Nursing Education Program (ANE)</p> <p>Focuses on increasing advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs) in primary care and in areas that benefit rural and underserved populations or public health nursing.</p> <p>8,017 Nurses & Nursing Students Impacted</p> <p>\$95.581 mil in FY 2024</p>
<p>NEPQR</p>	<p>Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention Program (NEPQR)</p> <p>Focuses on national nursing needs and strengthens nursing workforce capacity. Three priority areas within this program include education, practice, and retention.</p> <p>10,342 Nurses & Nursing Students Impacted</p> <p>\$59.413 mil in FY 2024</p>
<p>NWD</p>	<p>Nursing Workforce Diversity Program (NWD)</p> <p>Increases nursing education opportunities for students underrepresented in the nursing profession and supports career advancement and bridge programs.</p> <p>2,033 Nurses & Nursing Students Impacted</p> <p>\$23.343 mil in FY2024</p>
<p>NFLP</p>	<p>Nurse Faculty Loan Program (NFLP)</p> <p>Increases qualified nursing faculty by awarding funds to institutions who provide student loans to graduate students willing to serve as faculty upon graduation.</p> <p>2,746 Nurses & Nursing Faculty Impacted</p> <p>\$28.500 mil in FY2024</p>
<p>NURSE CORPS</p>	<p>Nurse Corps Scholarship and Loan Repayment Programs</p> <p>Awards scholarships to those enrolled in a school of nursing, in exchange for service in a Critical Shortage Facility (CSF). Assists in recruitment and retention of nurses and APRNs to work in CSFs or as faculty.</p> <p>1,323 Nurses & Nursing Students Impacted</p> <p>\$92.635 mil in FY2024</p>

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National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)

The National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR), is one of 27 Institutes and Centers at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). NINR drives scientific research, which is a cornerstone of nursing practice, playing a crucial role in advancing evidence-based interventions, guiding policy, and the nation's health. Supporting NINR and keeping it as an independent Institute will ensure ongoing investment for nurse scientists to work collaboratively to shape a healthcare system that is innovative, responsive, and provides patient-centered care.

UNDERSTANDING THE VALUE OF NINR

- NINR promotes collaboration at NIH, aligning with nursing's holistic approach and enhancing team-based research across Institutes and Centers.
- NINR reinforces the link between nursing education and research, which is crucial, as nurse researchers also serve as faculty, mentoring future scientists and fostering a strong community addressing patient needs.
- NINR informs best practices and strengthens the healthcare system through patient-centered care across the lifespan.

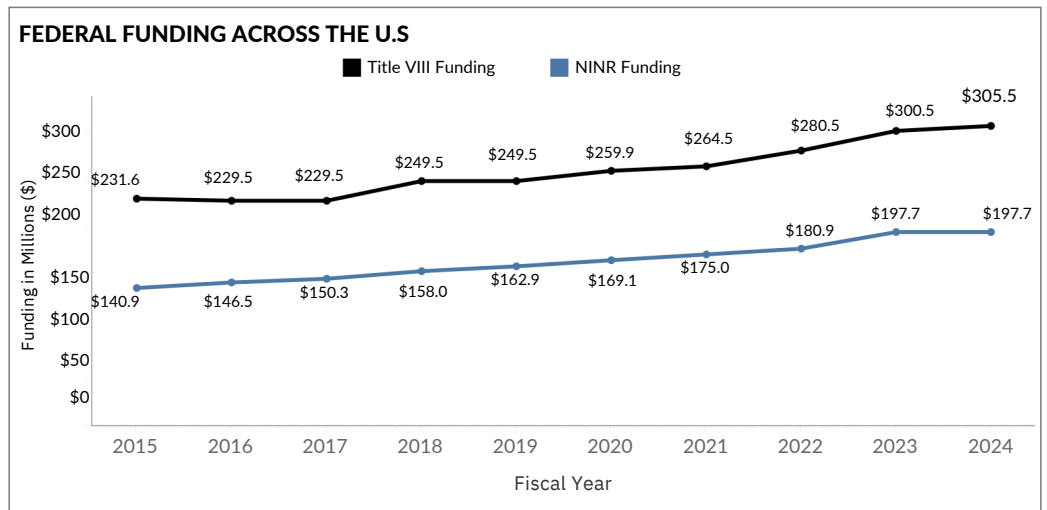
NINR IN ACTION

Through the innovative work of nurse scientists, we've seen significant advancements in healthcare:

- **Low Birthweight Infants:** Early discharge care saved \$18,560 per infant and improved health.¹
- **Alzheimer's Research:** NINR and NIH discoveries advanced understanding and treatment.²
- **Pressure Sores:** The Braden Scale prevents sores and saves \$9 billion yearly.³
- **Nursing Staff Shortages:** Better work environments reduce burnout and improve care.³

TITLE VIII AND NINR FUNDING THROUGH THE YEARS ⁴

Enhanced support for the Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs and NINR is critical to sustaining a strong nursing workforce able to care for our nation's population, not only as we confront existing health challenges, but as we advance tomorrow's innovative healthcare solutions.



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