Nurse Education Grant Program (NEGP) Annual Report September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2012

Section 4723.063, Ohio Revised Code (ORC), authorizes the Board of Nursing (Board) to establish the Nurse Education Grant Program (NEGP) through which the Board awards money to nursing education programs that establish partnerships with other education programs, community health agencies, or health care facilities. The NEGP recipients are to use the money to establish partnerships to increase the nursing education program's enrollment capacity. Methods of increasing a program's enrollment capacity may include hiring faculty and preceptors, purchasing education equipment and materials, and other actions acceptable to the Board. Grant money cannot be used for purposes that are prohibited by Chapter 4723-25, Ohio Administrative Code (OAC).

The NEGP is funded through the transfer of ten dollars of each biennial nursing license renewal fee into the NEGP account. With the enactment of HB 303, the transfer of funds previously set to end on December 31, 2013, has now been extended through 2023. The Board is authorized to use up to ten percent of the amount transferred for its expenses incurred in administering the NEGP.

During the first year of the 2011-2013 grant cycle, the Board disbursed a total of \$1,309,999.95 to fifteen NEGP recipients. By the end of this first year of the grant cycle, eight recipients reported unspent funds totaling \$204,340.87 (amounts ranging from \$1,066.09 to \$46,630.30) that will be carried over to the second year. The explanations for the carry over of funds to the second grant year are provided at the end of this report.

Below is a summary of NEGP recipient partnerships, fund use, student enrollment capacities, goals achieved, and explanation of first year unspent funds.

Programs and Partnerships

LPN Programs

Columbiana County Career and Technical Center School of Practical Nursing

Partner(s): Salem Community Hospital

East Liverpool City Hospital Akron Children's Hospital

Humility of Mary Healthcare Partner's (St. E's)

Valley Care System

Blossom Nursing and Rehabilitation Center

Calcutta Health Care Center Parkside Health Care Center

Caprice Health Care Center Community Action Health Clinic

Nancy J. Knight School of Nursing

Partner(s): Clark State Community College

Tri-Rivers School of Practical Nursing

Partner(s): Marion Manor

RN Pre-Licensure Programs

Firelands Regional Medical Center School of Nursing

Partner(s): Sandusky Career Center School of Practical

Nursing

EHOVE Career Center School of Practical

Nursing

Bowling Green State University-Firelands

College

Franciscan University

Partner(s): Lifeline Hospital, Wintersville

Marion Technical College

Partner(s): Marion General Hospital

North Central State College

Partner(s): Fisher-Titus Medical Center

MedCentral Health System

Otterbein University

Partner(s): Knox County Health Department

James A. Rhodes State College

Partner(s): Wapakoneta Manor

Joint Township District Memorial Hospital

Lima Memorial Hospital

Xavier University

Partner(s): Mercy Hospital Anderson

Mercy Hospital Western Hills

Good Samaritan College of Nursing and Health

Sciences

Post Licensure Programs

Kent State University

Partner(s): The University of Akron

Cleveland State University

Ursuline College

Lourdes University

Partner(s): ProMedica: Flower Hospital

The Toledo Hospital/Toledo Children's Hospital

Bay Park Community Hospital

ProMedica Continuing Care Services

The Ohio State University

Partner(s): The Ohio State University College of Education

and Human Ecology

The Ohio State University Medical Center The James Cancer Hospital and Solove

Research Institute

Otterbein University

Partner(s): Immediate Urgent Care Centers

Knox County Health Department

Xavier University

Partner(s): James A. Rhodes State College

Lost Creek Care Center

Joint Township Memorial District Hospital

Fairfield Medical Center

Utilization of Disbursed Funds

LPN Programs	Funds Disbursed	Funds Utilized	Funds Carried to Second Year
Columbiana County Career and Technical Center School of Practical Nursing	\$79,930.06	\$78,863.97	\$1,066.09
Nancy J. Knight School of Nursing	\$104,410.34	\$104,410.34	0
Tri-Rivers School of Practical Nursing	\$95,664.46	\$95,664.46	0
RN Pre-Licensure Programs	Funds Disbursed	Funds Utilized	Funds Carried to Second Year
Firelands Regional Medical Center School of Nursing	\$49,042.46	\$42,594.51	\$6,447.95
Franciscan University	\$94,876.42	\$94,876.42	0
Marion Technical College	\$122,376.42	\$122,376.42	0
North Central State College	\$95,540.42	\$48,910.12	\$46,630.30
Otterbein University	\$108,905.37	\$80,094.37	\$28,811.00
James A. Rhodes State College	\$66,990.42	\$58,724.83	\$8,265.59
Xavier University	\$102,556.42	\$102,556.42	0
Post Licensure Programs	Funds Disbursed	Funds Utilized	Funds Carried to Second Year
Kent State University	\$26,983.42	\$26,983.42	0
Lourdes University	\$61,552.54	\$61,552.54	0
The Ohio State University	\$91,982.42	\$61,090.61	\$30,891.81
Otterbein University	\$112,448.37	\$68,646.08	\$43,802.29
Xavier University	\$96,740.41	\$58,314.57	\$38,425.84

Student Enrollment Capacities and Goals Achieved

LPN Programs

Columbiana County Career and Technical Center School of Practical Nursing

Reported student enrollment capacity: 25 as of September 1, 2011 and 41 as of August 31, 2012.

For the 2011-2012 school year 46 students started the program, and 41 of the 46 graduated. Attrition rate for the academic year was 10.9% when the goal was less than 20%. Additional instructor was hired and is actively engaged in instruction.

Nancy J. Knight School of Nursing

Reported student enrollment capacity: 132 as of September 1, 2011 and 132 as of August 31, 2012.

Although the program has maintained its increased capacity of 132, only 101 seats were filled. Of the 12 students who started the dual enrollment with Clark State Community College six completed and are now able to transition. Of the third group, six of the initial eight [students] started at the Hi-Point Career Center, graduated and are enrolled in the Clark State LPN to RN Transition Program beginning the summer of 2012.

Tri-Rivers School of Practical Nursing

Reported student enrollment capacity: 46 seats prior to September 1, 2011, and 66 as of August 31, 2012.

Additional faculty was hired as submitted in the proposal and actively teaching. All proposed equipment has been purchased. An 80 week evening class of eleven students will begin quarter I on August 13, 2012 with 12 hour weekend clinicals.

RN Pre-Licensure Programs

Firelands Regional Medical Center School of Nursing

Reported student enrollment capacity: 140 as of September 1, 2011, and 140 and as of August 31, 2012.

For the fall of 2012, 26 new freshman students enrolled. The purchase and full utilization of the Advance 360 has greatly enhanced the instruction provided to the increased student population. All articulation agreements have continued, providing a smooth articulation of students from their existing LPN to a BSN.

Franciscan University

Reported student enrollment capacity: 40 prior to September 1, 2011, and 61 as of August 31, 2012.

The grant enabled the program to hire additional faculty and subsequently accept additional students to the baccalaureate program. For the Fall 2012, 61 sophomores and 62 juniors were accepted as compared to the program's senior class of 36 students, which reflects the lack of faculty that was available to Franciscan University before receiving the grant award.

Marion Technical College

Reported student enrollment capacity: 227 as of September 1, 2011, and 228 as of August 31, 2012.

Equipment inclusive of Med-Dispense system and Noelle Birthing simulator has been purchased, instructors are contracted, and smaller faculty to student clinical ratios, e.g., 1 to 6-8 are being maintained. Of students entering the fall of 2011 there is 69% retention, which is greater than the 60% goal.

North Central State College

Reported student enrollment capacity: 16 for the LPN to RN program prior to September 1, 2011 and 32 as of August 31, 2012.

Sixteen additional seats and students were admitted for the summer of 2011 and 2012. Of the 32 students accepted in to the summer 2012 LPN to RN Articulation program, 24 have continued to transition through senior level. In Spring 2012, 18 students in the LPN to RN program graduated and all 18 passed their NCLEX examination on first attempt.

Otterbein University

Reported student enrollment capacity: 66 as of September 1, 2011, and 70 as of August 31, 2012.

Enrollment in entry level nursing course was 62 for fall of 2012. Students are actively engaged in utilization of non-traditional clinical sites for experiences that include public health, assisted living and extended care. A new stand-alone gerontology course was implemented in fall 2011.

James A. Rhodes State College

Reported student enrollment capacity: 375 as of September 1, 2011, and 430 as of August 31, 2012.

Current enrollment is supported by additional clinical sites that include long-term care facilities and schools. Additional nursing instructors are engaged in clinical and laboratory instruction, and equipment purchased as planned. All support the 12% enrollment increase.

Xavier University

Reported student enrollment capacity: 321 as of September 1, 2011, and 323 as of August 31, 2012.

Enrollment in 2011 of BSN students met the goal of 11% increase. The prelicense MSN enrollment was four less than the goal of 35. Further, a 40%, rather than the targeted 49% increase in enrollment in the junior courses was realized. The goal to support the increased capacity by increasing clinical site availability has been fully realized, with high ratings of the acquired sites by students and faculty.

Post Licensure Programs

Kent State University

Reported student enrollment capacity: Currently awaiting receipt of this information.

Most of the work for this project begins late spring and continues through summer 2012. Progress during the current reporting period has involved graduate assistant and project director meetings with the website designer, and early work on the development of the website-overall layout and designation of fields in included in the database. The project director will begin full engagement with the project in late May 2012.

Lourdes University

Reported student enrollment capacity: 166 as of September 1, 2011, and 176 as of August 31, 2012.

The mid grant cycle goal of 66 RN-BSN admissions is below expectations with 50 students admitted. Determined that the competition for distance learning programs is much greater, resulting in offering a face-to-face and an online course for the RN-BSN major courses to begin in January 2013. The College of Nursing is meeting with local AD program Deans to revise the articulation agreements and to explore new partnerships. The BSN to MSN program continued to grow. A total new enrollment is 77 and surpasses the mid grant cycle goal of 60.

The Ohio State University

Reported student enrollment capacity: 597 as of September 1, 2011, and 717 as of August 31, 2012.

As of Spring quarter there were 31 students enrolled in the adult acute care nurse practitioner track, and 14 students enrolled in the pediatric acute care nurse practitioner track. During the first NEGP year, eight students graduated from the adult track and two from the pediatric track. Autumn 2012 enrollments continue to increase with 31 PhD students and 58 DNP students. In addition MS program enrollment is 450. Graduations from each of the two doctor programs numbered 8 and MS program graduates numbered 125.

Otterbein University

Reported student enrollment capacity: 96 as of September 1, 2011, and 118 as of August 31, 2012.

The number of students accepted into the Master's programs increased by 10%. The number of Doctoral students accepted in to the Post-Master's program increased by more than 20%. Personnel, were obtained and curriculum revisions of the Post-Master's Nurse Educator classes were completed and the first of the two part series was offered in Autumn 2012 with a greater than 20% enrollment increase.

Xavier University, MSN

Reported student enrollment capacity: 226 as of September 1, 2011, and 248 as of August 31, 2012.

Enrollment in the MSN program has increased with the support of funds from the NEGP. Rural enrollment has remained stable. It is expected rural enrollment will increase during year two due to the addition of the FNP track. The Affordability Care Act may be a stimulus to rural administrators to employ more nurses with advanced degrees. Partnerships were maintained with five rural hospital systems and the health assessment course was successfully taught at three of these sites as scheduled.

Explanation of Unspent First Year Funds

Program	Unspent First Year Funds	Explanation
Columbiana County School of Practical Nursing	\$1,066.09	Personnel wages for work that will now be performed in second year.
Firelands Regional Medical Center School of Nursing	\$6,447.95	Original equipment estimates were higher than costs. Board approved request to utilize remainder for additional equipment.
North Central State College	\$46,630.30	There was a delay in hiring full time faculty member.
Otterbein University	\$28,811.00	There was a delay in hiring professor.
James A. Rhodes State College	\$8,265.59	Original equipment estimates were higher than costs. Board approved request to purchase additional equipment.
The Ohio State University	\$30,891.81	Combination of personnel cost being lower than anticipated and there was a delay in filling a position.
Otterbein University	\$43,802.29	Combination of delay in filling position, equipment cost was less than estimated, and other anticipated costs were covered through other funding sources.
Xavier University	\$38,425.84	Delay in equipment purchases and personnel expenses were less than first year budget estimate.