Health Care Award Program Fiscal Year 2023

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Health Care Award Program – formerly the Health Care Loan Repayment Program

lowa Code section 261.116 requires submission of an annual report on the Health Care Award Program as follows:

261.116(7). The commission shall submit in a report to the general assembly by January 1, annually, the number of individuals who received an award pursuant to this section, where the participants practiced or taught, the amount paid to each program participant, and other information identified by the commission as indicators of outcomes from the program.

The Health Care Award Program provides income bonus awards to eligible registered nurses, advanced registered nurse practitioners, and physician assistants working full-time in an eligible service commitment area in lowa, and to nurse educators teaching full-time at an eligible college/university in lowa. The maximum award amount is \$6,000 annually, and individuals can receive assistance for up to five consecutive years.

A total of 183 individuals applied for an award in FY23. A total of 45 applicants were designated to receive an award, for a total obligation of \$696,000. The average obligated award was \$15,467.

Occupation	Number of recipients
Nurse educator	12
Registered nurse	12
Advanced registered nurse practitioner	13
Physician assistant	8

Postsecondary institution	Number of recipients
Des Moines Area Community College	3
Grand View University	2
Iowa Central Community College	1
Mercy College of Health Sciences	1
Northwest Iowa Community College	1
Northwestern College	1
St Ambrose University	1
Western Iowa Tech Community College	2

Fiscal Year 2023 Health Care Award Program recipients were employed as nurse educators by the following colleges/universities:

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Des Moines Area Community College	3
Grand View University	2
Iowa Central Community College	1
Mercy College of Health Sciences	1
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Fiscal Year 2023 Health Care Award Program recipients who are not nurse educators were employed in the following communities:

Community	Number of recipients	Community	Number of recipients
Carroll	2	LeMars	1
Cherokee	2	Mt Pleasant	1
Clarence	1	Muscatine	1
Clarinda	1	Newton	1
Creston	1	Ottumwa	2
Decorah	1	Pella	1
Dyersville	1	Red Oak	1
Fort Dodge	5	Sioux Center	2
Gowrie	1	Spencer	1
Grinnell	1	Vinton	1
Hospers	1	Waverly	1
Humboldt	1	West Burlington	1