



MEMORANDUM

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TO: Chief Executive Officers
Chief Instructional Officers
Chief Business Officers
Chief Student Services Officers
Career Technical Education Deans
Regional Consortia Chairs
Nursing Directors

FROM: Anthony Cordova, Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Economic Development

RE: FY 2025-26 Rebuilding Nursing Infrastructure Grant Request for Applications – Round 2

The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (Chancellor's Office) is pleased to announce the release of a Request for Application (RFA) for the Rebuilding Nursing Infrastructure (RNI) grant program for Round 2.

Background and Purpose

California faces a looming healthcare crisis with projections indicating a critical shortage of registered nurses by 2030. In response to this urgent need, the RNI grant program funded by Proposition 98 aims to address the nursing shortfall.

The RNI grant program's primary objective is to close critical healthcare workforce gaps by expanding educational pathways for nursing degrees in California community colleges, and by developing innovative registered nursing programs, partnerships, and infrastructures to support, grow, and foster the next generation of registered nurses. In short, the initiative seeks to increase the number of qualified registered nursing graduates equipped to enter the workforce and to ensure the sustainability of high-quality healthcare for California residents.

Application Information

Additional information on the RNI RFA, instructions, application requirements, eligibility, and other materials are available online and may be accessed at the Chancellor's Office [WEDD RFA website](#). Eligible applicants are encouraged to submit their proposal, written responses, and budget estimate via the Chancellor's Office NOVA system by **11:59 p.m. on Jan. 16, 2026**.

NOVA Access

If you are new to NOVA and would like to have an account created for you, please use the [Access Request Wizard](#) to provide your contact information and details for the access you need. Applicants can utilize the [NOVA help desk functionality](#) for all other NOVA requests.

Training Webinar

The Chancellor's Office staff will host a webinar to provide an overview of the application submission process in NOVA and to offer applicants an opportunity to ask additional clarifying questions. The webinar will be recorded and available on the WEDD RFA website.

Bidder's Conference:

- Date and Time: Dec. 3, 2025, 2 p.m. Pacific Time (US and Canada)
- Registration: [Use this link to register](#) for the bidder's conference.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Questions

Please submit any questions about this funding opportunity to the nursing program team at NursingApps@CCCCO.edu.