



Request for Application (RFA)

California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office Rebuilding Nursing Infrastructure (RNI) Grant – Round Three

Funding Years	Fiscal Year 2026 through 2027
Funding Source	Rebuilding Nursing Infrastructure Grant Program
Total Amount Available	\$55,849,990
Expected Grant Term	July 1, 2027–June 30, 2029
Anticipated notification of intent to award	May 2027
Release Date	Sept. 18, 2026
Questions Deadline	Written questions concerning the specifications of this Request for Applications must be submitted via email to NursingApps@CCCCO.edu by 5 p.m. on Nov. 9, 2026.
Bidders' Conference	Oct. 27, 2026, at 10–11 a.m. PDT Register Here!
Application Deadline	Applications must be received Dec. 14, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. in NOVA

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Introduction

The Chancellor's Office invites community college districts (Applicants) to submit applications for the Rebuilding Nursing Infrastructure (RNI) Grant Program. The RNI Grant program has a sunset date of June 30, 2030, and we are currently in Round Three of a five-round grant cycle. This document provides instructions for submitting an application, and the procedure and criteria by which Applicants will be selected for award. The successful Applicants will be awarded a grant of up to \$2,000,000 per college for the July 1, 2027 through June 30, 2029, time period.

Background

The California Community Colleges is the largest system of post-secondary education in the country. Annually, more than two million students are enrolled at the 116 community colleges, which are organized into 73 independent community college districts governed by locally elected boards of trustees.

The Board of Governors for the California Community Colleges is a state entity and an 18-member body; 17 members are appointed by the Governor, and the Lieutenant Governor is an ex officio member. The Board provides regulatory and policy leadership to the community college system. The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office is the administrative arm of the Board.

The Chancellor's Office has developed [Vision 2030](#), a collaborative action plan that provides focus, equity, and direction to California's community colleges in the specific areas of access, support, and success. California's community colleges are an economic engine in workforce development and play a key role in training the next generation of California workers.

California is expected to face a critical shortage of registered nurses by 2030. According to the California Health Care Foundation, the state will need an additional 44,500 registered nurses to meet the healthcare demands of its growing and aging population. This shortage poses a severe threat to public health, necessitating immediate and strategic efforts to bolster nursing education and training in California.

To address this nursing shortage, the Legislature established the [Rebuilding Nursing Infrastructure \(RNI\) Grant Program](#) (Ed. Code, § 88770, et seq.; Stats. 2024, ch. 71 [SB 155]). The Program seeks to expand registered nursing programs and partnerships, address nursing shortages, and increase, educate, and maintain the next generation of registered nurses through the community college system.

Purpose

Round One of the RNI Grant Program launched the state's multi-year initiative to address California's nursing shortage by funding community colleges to expand registered nursing education capacity. Grants of up to \$1.5 million supported efforts such as increasing Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program enrollment, enhancing student support

services, expanding clinical placement opportunities, expanding strategies to recruit and retain nursing faculty, strengthening transfer pathways to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) programs, and improving program compliance and accreditation. Round One laid the foundation for long-term infrastructure improvements and informed the priorities for Rounds Two and Three.

Round Two continued to build nursing education capacity with a focused emphasis on launching new ADN programs. Round Two also prioritized strengthening the faculty pipeline using innovative strategies to support the recruitment, development, and retention of high-quality nursing faculty across California's community colleges.

From foundations built from previous rounds, Round Three is a continuation of building or expanding nursing education capacity with a continued focus emphasizing new ADN Programs. In addition, Round Three continues the effort to build and expand nursing education capacity with a particular focus on creating additional ADN pathways through dual enrollment models. This round emphasizes partnerships between community colleges, K–12 districts, county offices of education, and regional workforce stakeholders to provide students with earlier access to nursing coursework and clearly defined pathways into ADN programs. By supporting the development and expansion of dual enrollment opportunities, Round Three aims to increase awareness of nursing careers, reduce barriers to entry, shorten the time required for students to enter registered nursing programs, and create a more diverse and sustainable pipeline of future nurses. These efforts are intended to accelerate enrollment growth in ADN programs, strengthen workforce readiness, and help meet California's increasing demand for registered nurses, particularly in underserved and high-need communities.

USE OF FUNDS

Funds should be treated as seed funding for projects that deliver long-term benefits to ADN programs. They may not be used to supplant existing funds or for ongoing maintenance costs.

Under the [Education Code 88772](#), the grant supports eight legislative priorities. For Round Three, the Chancellor's Office seeks applications that address one or more of the selected priorities listed below.

Competitive applications will focus on the priorities most relevant to the Applicant's statement of need and demonstrate how the application will support the purpose of the grant program which is to increase, educate, and maintain the next generation of registered nurses. Applications attempting to address multiple priorities without sufficient depth will receive lower scores.

GRANT PRIORITY FOCUS

- Develop or expand ADN programs.
- Develop strategies for engaging and retaining nursing students, including, but not limited to, the integration of high-impact and diversity-, equity-, and inclusion-

focused curriculum, the development of apprenticeship opportunities, and the expansion of student support services including basic needs assistance, mental health support, case management, counseling services, and specialized tutoring.

- Developing or scaling efforts that lead to additional clinical placements for nursing students.
- Develop strategies for recruiting, retaining, and training high-quality nursing faculty, including, but not limited to, offering incentives, including stipends and flexible working hours, to recruit and retain nursing faculty, and by providing professional development opportunities.
- Develop strategies for increasing nursing program credentials, including, but not limited to, efforts to address noncompliance issues raised by the Board of Registered Nursing and to obtain accreditation from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.
- Purchase equipment for nursing education programs.
- Develop strategies that facilitate the increase in the percentage of ADN to BSN students, including, but not limited to, the development of strategies that strengthen the high school to community college nursing pipeline.
- Develop or expand Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) partnerships, including established partnerships with the California State University, the University of California, or independent institutions of higher education.

Eligibility

California community college districts are eligible to apply for this grant. Multi-college districts must submit one separate application for each college.

The college named in the application must:

- Have an active ADN program, **or**
- Plan to establish an ADN program by the end of the grant performance period.

Each college program may receive up to \$2,000,000 in total during the grant period.

Colleges with existing ADN programs must remain in good standing with the Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) throughout the performance period.

General Award Information

AVAILABLE FUNDING

\$55,849,990 is available in Fiscal Year 2026–27 to fund the RNI grant program, with no grant exceeding \$2,000,000 per college per award cycle. Grant funding is expected to be available for up to two additional years subject to available funding in the annual budget

act. An Applicant receiving a grant in one application round is not prohibited from applying for and receiving a grant in subsequent application rounds.

Awardees have up to two years to expend a grant. During a grant term, grant recipients are expected to fully expend grant funds while ensuring full transparency and accountability for all expenditures. Any unspent amount of the grant at the end of the two-year period of encumbrance shall revert to the Chancellor's Office.

AWARD AMOUNT CONSIDERATIONS

The Chancellor's Office will determine the amount of each grant award based on the following factors:

- The Applicant's requested amount and justification.
- The Applicant's score on the scoring rubric.
- The total funding available for awards.

For those Applicants who received Round One and/or Round Two RNI Grant Funding, the application must include:

- An updated Statement of Need, and
- A Workplan that either:
 - Addresses new activities and outcomes, different from those funded in all previous rounds (Round One and/or Round Two) as applicable, or
 - Builds upon and demonstrates expanded work funded under all previous rounds (Round One and/or Round Two) as applicable.

This is a competitive process. Grant funds may not be used to supplant existing funding sources or duplicate previously funded activities. Applications must demonstrate new or expanded work that builds upon, rather than replaces, current efforts. This funding is intended to support new initiatives, enhancements, or one-time investments and may not be used for routine maintenance, ongoing operational expenses, or activities required to sustain existing programs at their current level. Applications that duplicate previously awarded work will not be considered.

GRANT TERM

The grant term is 24 months and is expected to run July 1, 2027–June 30, 2029. The actual grant term will be specified in the grant agreement. All grant performances shall be completed by the end of the grant term, with grant invoices and final reporting submitted no later than sixty days after the term ends.

Application

DUE DATE

The completed application, including any required forms and supporting documentation, must be submitted via the Chancellor's Office NOVA system on or before Dec. 14, 2026, by

11:59 p.m. PDT, at which time the application system will close. No other forms of submission will be accepted. Incomplete and late applications will not be accepted. It is the responsibility of the Applicant to ensure that all information is complete, and required documentation is attached before submission. No additional information or clarification will be accepted after the deadline.

APPLICATION FORMAT AND INSTRUCTIONS

The following instructions describe the content and format of the application. Only applications submitted via the NOVA system will be accepted. To receive the highest possible score and to prevent disqualification, the application instructions in NOVA must be followed, all questions answered, and all requested information supplied.

Applications will be screened to ensure they have met the minimum requirements, including:

- Application was submitted by a California community college district.
- Application is from a district with a college that has an existing ADN program or will establish an ADN program by the end of the grant performance period.
- Application was received by the published submission deadline.
- Application was submitted in the required format with all required information.
- Application included all sections, including budget and budget justification.

For returning Applicants (those who received Round One and/or Round Two RNI Grant funding):

- Must include a new Statement of Need, and
- A Workplan that:
 - Addresses priority areas that are different from those funded in all previous rounds (Round One and/or Round Two) as applicable, or
 - Builds upon and demonstrates expanded work funded under all previous rounds (Round One and/or Round Two) as applicable: applications that duplicate previously awarded work will not be considered.

APPLICATION EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

All applications submitted on or before the published deadline will be evaluated by a Review Committee appointed by the Chancellor's Office. Each application will be read and scored by a minimum of three reviewers. Each panel of three will review an evenly distributed amount of the total number of applications and will provide a total score for each application. A rubric with clear scoring criteria will be provided to all review

panelists. Award decisions will be made by the Chancellor's Office Workforce and Economic Development Division (WEDD).

Applications will be evaluated to the extent to which the application addresses the state's nursing shortages by use of innovative strategies, including pilot projects that demonstrate the highest return on investment, and best serve the interests of the California Community Colleges. Applications that substantially duplicate Round One and/or Round Two applications without demonstrating meaningful expansion or new focus areas will receive lower scores and may be deemed ineligible.

The Chancellor's Office reserves the right to modify and/or suspend any and all aspects of this procurement, to obtain further information from any district or person responding to the RFA, to waive any informality or irregularity as to form or content of this RFA or any related response, to be the sole judges of the merits of the applications received, and to reject any or all applications.

PRIORITY CONSIDERATIONS

The Chancellor's Office will give priority considerations to:

- Applications with a plan to develop new ADN programs resulting in students qualified to sit for the NCLEX exam.
- Applications with innovative strategies for creating dual enrollment into the ADN pathways.
- Additional priority considerations listed in the "Application Evaluation Criteria" in the section "Priority Considerations."

APPLICATION EVALUATION CRITERIA

Applications will be evaluated using a 100-point scale as detailed in Table 1 below. Applications may be selected to be awarded in the order of highest review score to lowest review score. Applications must receive an average reader score of at least 80 points to be eligible for award; however, receipt of this minimum score does not guarantee funding. Scores guide funding recommendations, but other statutory and programmatic considerations may be applied. The Chancellor's Office reserves the right to offer an award to Districts regardless of the application's rank in highest to lowest review score.

Table 1: Application Evaluation Sections and Points

Sections	Description and Points	Maximum Points
Statement of Need	• Identification of Need(s) (8 points) • Description of Current Approach (7 points)	15 points
Amount Requested and Use of Funds	• Alignment with RFA Requirements (10 points)	10 points
Workplan	• Project Plan and Implementation (15 points) • Measurable Outcomes and Deliverables (15 points) • Sustainability and Long-Term Impact (10 points) • Feasibility and Institutional Capacity (10 points)	50 points
Budget	• Budget Detail (10 points) • Other Funding Sources (5 points)	15 points
Priority Considerations	• Applications that develop new ADN programs resulting in students qualified to sit for the NCLEX exam (3 points) • Applications with innovative strategies for creating dual enrollment into the ADN pathways. (2 points) • New Applicants (3 points) • Applicants that are located in an underserved nursing area or a region with a local nursing shortage (1 points) • Expansion of existing BSN partnerships (1 points)	10 points
Total Possible Points		100 points

The sections of the application include:

1. Statement of Need (15 points)

a) Identification of Need(s) (8 points)

- i. Provide a statement identifying the specific needs or problems the Applicant faces regarding access to

educating, supporting, graduating, or placing nursing students. Returning Applicants are expected to provide a new Statement of Need and demonstrate a focus that is different from their previous application. The Statement of Need:

- (1) Must discuss factors that contribute to the existing need in the college
- (2) Must clearly demonstrate how the needs connect to one or a combination of the purposes listed in the [“Purpose” section](#) (page 3)

b) Current Approach (7 points)

- i. A description of how the Applicant is currently addressing the needs or problems described in Identification of Need(s) (1a above) and if applicable, why the need has not been efficiently addressed
- ii. What existing funds are currently supporting these efforts (including the Nursing Enrollment Growth and Retention Grant, Strong Workforce, Perkins, California Department of Health Care Access and Information [HCAI], etc.)
- iii. How receipt of this grant will supplement and/or expand those efforts

2. Amount Requested and Use of Funds (10 points):

- a) The Applicant should provide a detailed description of the proposed use of the grant to address one or a combination of the purposes listed in the [“Purpose” section](#) (page 3), and how the proposed use will: 1) address the barriers and needs identified in statement of need, and 2) enhance and expand ADN programs to cultivate, educate, and sustain the next generation of registered nurses. The Applicant should also include the grant amount of request to address each priority selected, and a breakdown of cost by activity.

3. Workplan (50 points)

- a) The workplan provides the main framework that connects all parts of the application, including the budget, by showing how the proposed activities will address the statement of need and achieve the grant’s goals. The workplan must include:
 - i. A detailed plan describing the project’s annual tasks and activities
 - ii. A timeline that includes the baseline measures and

- associated target outcomes, a justification for the selected use of proposed strategy, and the individuals or positions responsible for completing the tasks or activities
- iii. Where applicable, the annual number of education slots to be added
- iv. A description of how the grant recipient will sustain the final outcomes of the grant-funded work

4. Budget Amount, Summary, and Detail (15 points)

- a) Provide a budget by object code with detailed descriptions. All line items must be associated with an activity in the workplan. NOVA allows for expenditure object code 1000–7000:

- 1000 – Instructional Salaries
- 2000 – Non-Instructional Salaries
- 3000 – Employee Benefits
- 4000 – Supplies and Materials
- 5000 – Other Operating Expenses and Services
- 6000 – Capital Outlay
- 7000 – Other Outgoing Indirect Costs

Indirect costs should not exceed four percent and should be calculated as follows:

- $\text{Grant Amount} \div 1.04 = \text{Grant Operating Budget} \times 4 \text{ percent}$
= Indirect Costs

- b) In addition to the budget above, include a breakdown of the amount and use of other funding sources that the Applicant is using for nursing education programs, including apportionments, grants under the Nursing Enrollment Growth and Retention Program established in [Education Code Section 78261](#), other state or federal workforce grants, and private or in-kind funding sources.

5. Priority Considerations (up to 10 points)

- a) New Program Development (3 points):

Applications that develop new programs resulting in students qualified to sit for the NCLEX exam (including one or a combination of the following) are eligible for three priority consideration points.

 - i. developing new or expanding current LVN to RN programs (resulting in ADN or BSN), or
 - ii. developing partnerships with industry/labor partners for

incumbent worker pathway development into nursing

b) Dual Enrollment into ADN Pathways (2 points):

Applications with innovative strategies to create or expand dual enrollment pathways that support student entry into ADN programs are eligible for two priority consideration points. Priority consideration will be given to applications that include one or more of the following:

- i. A formal dual enrollment pathway between K–12 partners and the ADN program.
- ii. An increase in the number of students participating in dual enrollment coursework that leads to ADN program eligibility (at least 15 students per year).
- iii. Access to students from rural, underserved, or disproportionately impacted communities.
- iv. Comprehensive student support provided, such as counseling, academic advising, tutoring, or college and career navigation services.
- v. Demonstration of one or more partnerships with K–12 districts, county offices of education, healthcare employers, or community-based organizations that support student recruitment and success.
- vi. A Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) certificate as part of the dual enrollment program.

c) New Applicants (3 points)

New Applicants (those who did not apply in the prior round or who applied and were not awarded) are eligible for three priority consideration points.

d) Geographic Need (1 point)

Applicants located in underserved nursing areas or regions experiencing a local nursing shortage indicated by either medium or high need as designated by the California Healthcare Workforce Policy Commission in the California [Nursing Shortage Map](#) are eligible for one priority consideration point.

e) BSN Pathway Expansion (1 point)

Applications that expand existing BSN partnerships with a campus of the California State University and/or the University of California (including one or a combination of the following)

are eligible for up to one priority consideration point:

- i. Increase in the number of students that successfully transfer to identified partner four-year university by 20%, or 20 additional students per year, whichever is higher
- ii. Add an additional type of transfer pathways available with the identified partner
- iii. Increase of students enrolling in the identified partnership by at least 20%, or 20 additional students per year, whichever is higher

Application Submission

SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION IN NOVA

To submit the application, please log in using your existing NOVA account in the [NOVA website](#).

- If you are new to NOVA and would like to have an account created for you, use the [NOVA Access Request Wizard](#) to provide your contact information and details for the access you need.
- If you already have a NOVA account and require a modification to your access permissions, please submit a NOVA Support Request through the support portal.
- For additional support and technical assistance, please visit the [NOVA Help Desk Website](#) to submit a NOVA Support Request ticket.

After logging into NOVA: Go to the sidebar menu; select “Rebuilding Nursing” then “Create Applications” then “Rebuilding Nursing Infrastructure Grant – Year Three.”

Click the “Create Application” button to begin. You will be directed to choose your purpose to create the application.

REJECTION OF APPLICATION

The Chancellor's Office reserves the right to reject any and all applications received. A grant application shall be rejected if:

- It is received at the Chancellor's Office via electronic submittal in NOVA later than 11:59 p.m. on Dec. 14, 2026, or is incorrectly submitted, or it is determined that the application is otherwise ineligible (ineligible applications may also be identified in the Intent to Award notification as applications receiving less than an average reader score of 80 points, and/or applications that do not demonstrate meaningful expansion or new focus areas, or applications that substantially duplicate Round One and/or Round Two applications).
- The proposed budget amount exceeds \$2,000,000 per college.

- The Applicant is a district with a college that does not have an existing ADN program and will not establish an ADN program by the end of the performance period.
- Any of the required components of the application are incomplete or not submitted.
- Returning Applicants will be deemed ineligible and rejected if they fail to:
 - Demonstrate a substantive expansion of previously funded work or address new activities;
 - Submit a new and clearly articulated statement of need; and/or
 - Avoid duplication of activities or objectives previously awarded under this program

Key Dates

Table 2 below highlights key dates and activities for this RFA.

Table 2: Calendar of Key Dates

Information	Details
RFA Release:	Sept. 18, 2026
Bidders' Conference:	Oct. 27, 2026
RFA Questions Submission Deadline:	Nov. 9, 2026
Deadline for Submitting Applications:	Dec. 14, 2026
Announcement of Award:	May 2027
Grant begins:	July 1, 2027

Bidders' Conference

The Chancellor's Office staff will host an informational Bidders' Conference Webinar to provide an overview of the application submission process and offer potential Applicants an opportunity to ask additional clarifying questions. Only one webinar will be provided for the funding year. The webinar will be recorded for posting on the Chancellor's Office website. Failure to attend the webinar will not preclude the submission of an application.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- Date and Time: Oct. 27, 2026, 10–11 a.m. Pacific Time (US and Canada)

- Registration: Use the [RNI Round Three RFA Bidders' Conference registration link](#) to register for the Bidder's conference.

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

RFA Clarification

If any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission, or other error in this RFA is discovered, immediately notify WEDD and request written clarification. Written questions concerning this RFA must be submitted by email to NursingApps@CCCCO.edu. Any addendum to the RFA will be posted on the [WEDD Grand Opportunities website](#).

Applicants are responsible for checking out the WEDD Grant Opportunities website for any updates to the RFA or FAQ. Applicants will not be notified via any other manner.

Written questions concerning the specifications and instructions in this RFA must be submitted by email to NursingApps@CCCCO.edu.

PROGRAM METRICS

Given the purposes listed in the [“Purpose” section](#) (page 3), the Chancellor's Office will be tracking the following success metrics. Note that not all metrics apply to all the purposes, but recipients will be expected to track and share data that supports the following:

- Number of students enrolling
- Demographics of enrolled students to include age, race, gender, and language spoken at home
- Number of students completing
- Demographics of completers to include age, race, gender, and language spoken at home
- Number of students earning ADN's
- Program expenditures
- Number of students transferring to four-year BSN programs
- Number of such transfer pathways

Additionally, as part of the application, Applicants will be asked for the following data points and completion of submission will be counted as part of the application score for completion:

- Number of Nursing Students
- NCLEX Take/Pass
- Clinical Placements
- FTE of Faculty Vacancies
- ACEN Status
- BRN Status

- Students Participating in Co-Enrollment
- Partnerships Established (Current Partnerships)
- Full-Time vs. Part-Time Faculty Baseline

However, the data provided will not be used to determine the application status of each Applicant.

REPORTING EXPECTATIONS

Grantees are expected to fulfill legislative requirements by maintaining and reporting required data and expenditures, and any other data requested by the Chancellor's Office.

The condition of continued eligibility is the requirement of grantees to:

- Submit project updates and expenditure data to the state in a timely, thorough, and accurate manner. Refer to the timeline below for fiscal report due dates.
- Grant recipients must submit annual reports to the Chancellor's Office that include all required data and information identified by the chancellor as necessary to support the goals of the program. All data must be submitted with the final report. Refer to the timeline below for final report due dates. Each report must include the following:
 - The number of additional nursing education program enrollment slots created with the use of grants
 - Student outcomes, including course success rates, persistence rates, graduation rates, NCLEX first time pass rate, and, if possible, employment placement outcomes
 - How the grant was used by expenditure category, as described in the ["Purpose" section](#) (page 3)
 - The extent to which the grant, combined with other funding sources, addressed regional workforce needs

A full list of variables and their definitions will be provided at a later date.

Expenditures and updates must be submitted to the NOVA system. Final report narrative and a final report of expenditures are due in the NOVA system by Aug. 31, 2029. NOVA reporting dates are detailed in Table 3 below.

Table 3: NOVA Reporting Dates – July 2027–June 2029 (24 months)

Due Date	Report Type
July 31, 2028	Expenditure and Progress Report due covering the period of July 1, 2027 through June 30, 2028.
July 31, 2029	Expenditure and Progress Report due covering the period of July 1, 2028 through June 30, 2029.
Aug. 31, 2029	Final Report of Expenditures due.

Award Administration

GENERAL

Funding for all Applicants will be provided in the form of a grant. All funds granted by the Chancellor's Office under this RFA may be used only for the purpose for which they are granted in accordance with the approved application and budget, regulations, terms and conditions of the award, applicable cost principles, Chancellor's Office assistance regulations, and other relevant provisions.

NOTIFICATION OF AWARDS

Intent to award notification will be made only via an official Intent to Award memo and posted on the [WEDD RFA webpage](#). Selection of an Applicant to be awarded does not constitute approval of the grant application as submitted. Before the actual grant is awarded, the Chancellor's Office may request adjustments or modifications to the application and/or budget to be reflected in the grant's NOVA workplan and agreement as necessary. The Chancellor's Office reserves the right not to fund any application related to this RFA for any reason. Chancellor's Office Board of Governors' approval is required before any grant may be awarded. The Board of Governors' approval date will be identified in the Intent to Award notification. Grant awards are not final until grant agreements are fully executed by the parties.

To sign up to receive WEDD Memos please email NursingApps@CCCCO.edu for instructions.

APPEALS

As described in the Chancellor's Office contracts and grants manual, an appeal of a grant award must be in writing signed by the college president or designee, or by the head of a non-district entity in those rare instances where such entities are eligible to apply under the RFA. The appeal must be emailed to the Vice Chancellor of the division responsible for

funding the project (as identified in the RFA) within 10 business days after the date the notice of intent to award is posted. The appeal must specify the grounds of appeal and must be based on the process and/or procedures used in the review and recommendation of applications for awards. The Vice Chancellor shall review all the information submitted with the appeal, consult with the Office of the General Counsel, and render a decision within 30 calendar days of the date of receipt of the appeal. The decision of the Chancellor's Office is final.

Appeals shall be limited to the grounds that the Review Committee failed to correctly follow the specified processes for reviewing the application. The Applicant must file a full and complete written appeal, including the process(s) in dispute. Incomplete or late appeals will not be considered. The Applicant may not supply any new information that was not contained in the original application. Appeals should be submitted to Anthony Cordova, Vice Chancellor of Workforce and Economic Development at ACordova@CCCCO.edu.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Respondent Inquires. During the RFA process (from release of this RFA to final award), Applicants are not permitted to contact any Chancellor's Office employees unless to fulfill pre-existing contractual or other obligations. No gratuities of any kind will be accepted, including meals, gifts, or trips. Violation of these conditions will constitute immediate disqualification. It is the responsibility of the Applicant to inquire about any requirement of this RFA that is not understood. Responses to inquiries will be disseminated via email.

Refer to cover page for Applicant inquiry and response deadlines and Chancellor's Office contact.

Public Records. Applicants are hereby notified that the Chancellor's Office is a public agency subject to the California Public Records Act (CPRA) and any applications, or portions thereof, submitted to the Chancellor's Office in response to this RFA may be subject to disclosure under the CPRA.

Reserved Rights. The Chancellor's Office reserves the right to select any District or reject any District as determined by the Chancellor's Office; to make such selection without holding interviews or oral presentations; to request additional information; and to negotiate the final terms and conditions of a grant agreement with the selected Districts.

Oral Statements. The Chancellor's Office shall not be bound by oral statements or representations contrary to the written specifications.

Ownership and Use of Documents. All documents, reports, applications, submittals, working papers, or other materials submitted to the Chancellor's Office from an Applicant shall become the sole and exclusive property of the Chancellor's Office, in the public domain, and not the property of the proposer. An Applicant shall not copyright, or cause to be copyrighted, any portion of any of said documents submitted as a result of this solicitation.

Execution of Grant. A grant shall not be binding on the Chancellor's Office until it has been approved by the Board of Governors, approved as to form by the parties' respective legal counsel, and fully executed by the parties.

Errors in Application. If Applicant discovers an error in its application submitted in response to this RFA, it is the Applicant's responsibility to present all corrections during the RFA window (the time following the RFA release to the date the RFA responses are due). Corrections received after the RFA window may result in disqualification from consideration.

Contacts

Further information may be obtained from the Chancellor's Office email address indicated below. Information regarding this RFA obtained from sources other than this contact may not be accurate. Email inquiries are preferred.

NursingApps@CCCCO.edu

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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

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