

Summer PSW Start-Up Funds or Upgrading of Existing School Board PSW Programs 2021

Background information:

The funding that CESBA received from EDU is flow-through funding from the federal government. Funding must be spent between the period of March 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021. Project activities must also be completed by August 31, 2021.

Note: The total amount of the Transfer Payment Agreement is \$442,000. The amount available for school board PSW programs and the further development of the QA process is \$400,000. The additional funds are for CESBA to enhance its PSW school board promotional materials and for staffing and administration of the TPA. It is very likely that CESBA will not be able to fund all the board requests, but we will do our best to provide funding for as many projects as possible.

Objectives:

- a) To build the capacity of school board PSW programs so they can recruit students in the summer and fall 2021 sessions.
- b) To support partnership development between school boards and other health care training organizations/providers.
- c) To provide school boards with support for the implementation of high-quality school board programs.
- d) To increase the number of PSW graduates through these programs.

There are three categories of PSW school board funding available:

- 1. PSW Program Start-Up Funding
- 2. Summer PSW Program Funding
- 3. Innovative Models and/or Partnerships

1. Criteria to receive PSW program start-up funding

- a) New PSW program/program site must be ready for spring/summer or fall 2021 enrolment.
- b) Funding to be spent directly on the PSW program (not on student fees).
- c) The program must be stable and continue to operate after the funding is provided.
- d) Expenses include, but are not limited to, teacher wages and equipment purchases (beds, mannequins, vital signs monitor, Hoyter lift, program administration, program evaluation, office supplies, internet/telephone/copying etc.).
- e) Must report on progress (challenges and successes experienced during the project) and funds expended by June 15 and September 15 (template will be provided by CESBA).

2. Criteria to receive funds for summer PSW board programs

- a) Must provide a summer PSW program with students graduating by December 31, 2021 or January 31, 2022.
- b) Funding must be used to strengthen existing summer PSW program (e.g., purchase of equipment or supplies, rent, staffing) or start a new summer program.
- c) Must report on progress (challenges and successes experienced during the project) and funds expended by June 15 and September 15 (template will be provided by CESBA).

3. Criteria for innovative models including part-time programs, evening programs, bridging RCA or HSW/HCA to PSW

- a) Develop and create new partnership(s) with health care employers (LTC homes, agencies etc.), health care organizations (e.g., CLRI) or others.
- b) Increase career laddering opportunities and or bridging opportunities (i.e., RCA/HSW/HCA to PSW or PSW to RPN).
- c) Funding must be used to strengthen the existing PSW program (e.g., purchase of equipment or supplies, rent, staffing).
- d) Must report on progress (challenges and successes experienced during the project) and funds expended by June 15 and September 15 (template will be provided by CESBA).

Reporting tracking requirements for funds in both areas above (if appropriate)

- a) Number and types of partnerships /relationships developed
- b) Number of promotional campaigns implemented
- c) Number of new and existing PSW programs set up or upgraded
- d) Number of students that enrolled, graduated and received their OSSD

Due date for the completed application forms is Thursday, April 22, 2021

Please send your completed Registration Form to: Anita Plunkett, CESBA PSW Lead and QA Coordinator Please add "PSW Summer Funds" to the email subject line cesbapswcochair@gmail.com

Please contact Anita Plunkett if you have questions.

Funding decisions will be made by Thursday, April 29. Decisions will be based on how the project meets the objectives of the funding. All applicants will be notified of the decisions made by Monday, May 3. CESBA will use an ETF process to distribute funds with most of the funding going out after the decisions are made.

Thank you for your interest in the project funding.