

(3) In consultation with the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Administration shall adopt regulations to implement the Grant Program.

(c) An eligible institution is qualified to receive a grant under this section if the institution:

(1) Has an approved education program leading to licensure, certification, or registration in a health occupation determined to be in short supply; and

(2) Funds the approved education program at an amount not less than the preceding fiscal year.

(d) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, an eligible institution shall receive a grant in the amount of \$1,500 for each student who graduates from an approved education program leading to licensure, certification, or registration in a health occupation determined to be in short supply, that is in excess of the total number of students who graduated from the approved education program at that eligible institution during academic year 1990-91.

(e) (1) If the total amount of the grant to be issued under subsection (d) of this section is more than the amount appropriated in the annual State Budget, INCLUDING THE AMOUNT THAT IS COLLECTED UNDER THE PHYSICIAN QUALITY ASSURANCE FUND UNDER § 14-207(C)(2)(I) OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE AND TRANSFERRED TO THIS PROGRAM, the amount of an eligible institution's grant for that period shall be equal to the product of the amount required to pay grants under subsection (d) multiplied by the ratio of the total amount appropriated to the eligible institution.

(2) ANY UNSPENT PORTIONS OF THE MONEY THAT IS TRANSFERRED TO THE ADMINISTRATION FOR USE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION FROM THE PHYSICIAN QUALITY ASSURANCE FUND MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO OR REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE, BUT SHALL REMAIN IN THE FUND TO BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION.

(f) The eligible institution shall use the grant to enhance or expand approved education programs leading to licensure or certification in health occupations determined to be in short supply.

(g) (1) In accordance with § 1-204 of the Health Occupations Article, the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene shall certify annually to the Maryland Higher Education Commission those health occupations in short supply.

(2) In any year in which a health occupation is determined by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to be no longer in short supply, the Administration shall discontinue issuing new grants under this section for that health occupation, provided that the existing grants shall continue for the students who are enrolled in prior to and who subsequently graduate from the approved education program after the determination is made by the Secretary.