

Department of
Veterans Affairs

Memorandum

Date: August 28, 2018

From: Acting Chief of Health Professions Education (10A2D), VA Central Office, Washington, DC

Subj: Academic Year (AY) 2019-2020/Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Trainee Support for Associated Health and Nursing Professions: Request for Training Positions and Standards of Excellence Reports

To: Designated Education Officer, VA Health Care Facilities

1. Please see the attached program announcement, “**Academic Year 2019-2020 or Fiscal Year 2020 Trainee Support for Associated Health and Nursing Professions: Request for Training Positions and Standards of Excellence Reports.**” Copies have been sent to Directors of all Veterans Integrated Services Networks, Designated Education Officers, and National Program Offices.
2. The program announcement provides policies and procedures for the preparation and submission of requests for AY 2019-2020 or FY 2020 funding support for trainees in associated health and nursing professions. The entire report will be entered on-line in a web-based system developed by the Office of Academic Affiliations. (See Attachment B of Program Announcement for instructions).
3. Training position requests and profession-specific Standards of Excellence (SoE) reports are due in the OAA database on or before **Thursday, October 11, 2018**. *Note that nine professions have elected to not require facilities to complete SoE reports or request positions for AY 2020.* These training programs will maintain funding at the AY 2019 base position level. These programs are audiology, blind rehabilitation, chiropractic care, clinical pastoral education, licensed professional mental health counseling, marriage and family therapy, physician assistant, psychology, and speech pathology.
4. Questions regarding associated health professions should be referred to the Associated Health Education team at Assoc.Health@va.gov or directly to David Latini, PhD, at 832-377-9927 (David.Latini@va.gov). Questions regarding Nursing Education programs should be directed to Dr. Jemma Ayvazian at Jemma.Ayvazian@va.gov. Technical questions regarding uploading documents may be directed to Terry Kruzan at Terry.Kruzan@va.gov, or David Bernett at David.Bernett@va.gov.

If you are uncertain of the nature of your question, please reach out to us at Assoc.Health@va.gov, and we will be certain to route your question to the appropriate party.



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Attachments