

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

June 30, 2022

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Adopt Board of Governors Regulation 8.008,
Nursing Education

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Consider approval of Public Notice of Intent to Adopt Board of Governors Regulation 8.008, Nursing Education.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Senate Bill 2524 requires the Board of Governors to adopt a regulation to administer the Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund and the Prepping Institutions, Programs, Employers, and Learners through Incentives for Nursing Education (PIPELINE) Fund.

The LINE Fund is intended to incentivize collaboration between nursing education programs and health care partners and to meet local, regional, and state workforce demand by recruiting faculty and clinical preceptors, increasing the capacity of high-quality nursing education programs, and increasing the number of nursing education program graduates who are prepared to enter the workforce. Subject to available funds, for every dollar contributed to an institution by a healthcare partner, the LINE Fund shall provide a dollar-for-dollar match to the participating institution for approved proposals. The legislature provided a maximum of \$6 million for State University System institutions for the LINE Fund in the Fiscal Year 2022-23. The Board of Governors is charged with evaluating and approving proposals as well as disbursing funds to the approved institutions.

The PIPELINE Fund was created to reward performance and excellence among public postsecondary nursing education programs. The PIPELINE funds are allocated by the legislature based on the number of nursing program completers and first-time NCLEX passage rates. The legislature allocated \$40 million in PIPELINE funds to the base budget of the ten State University System institutions with nursing programs for the Fiscal Year 2022-23.

The proposed regulation includes the requirements for the Board of Governors to administer and monitor these two programs. Additionally, the Board must report the outcomes of students enrolled at institutions participating in the LINE and PIPELINE Funds to the Talent Development council.

In addition, the regulation includes a requirement for terminations of Master's degree programs in nursing to come to the Board of Governors for approval to codify a resolution adopted by the Board in March of 2006.

If approved by the Strategic Planning Committee and the Board of Governors, the adopted regulation will be available for public comment for thirty days. If no concerns are raised during that time, the regulation will come before the Board of Governors for final approval at the next meeting.

Supporting Documentation Included:

In Strategic Planning Committee
Materials