



Nursing Faculty Shortage in Wisconsin

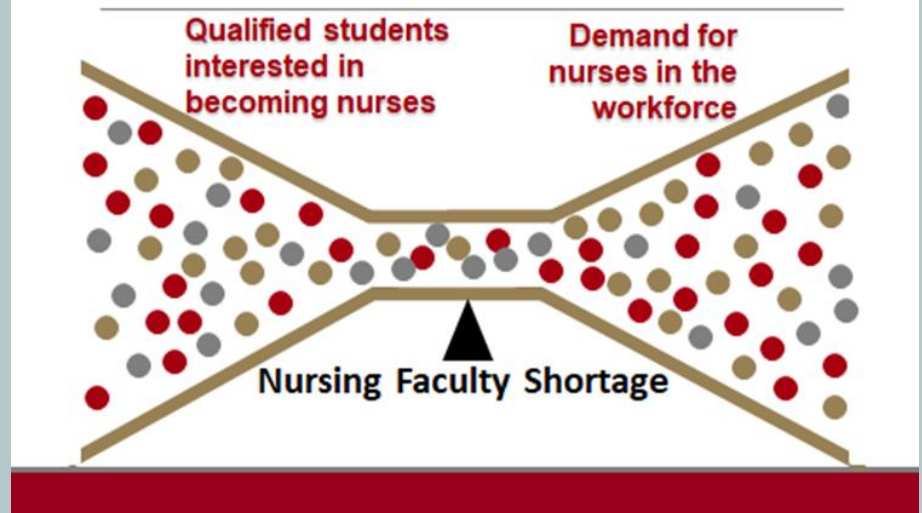
– a WNA priority for the 2025-2025 legislative biennium

WNA and the Administrators of Nursing Education in Wisconsin (ANEW) support the continued funding of Wisconsin's state biennial budget proposal at \$5 million per year.

Background

According to the 2022 RN Workforce Report, in less than ten years, there will be a **58 percent** reduction in nurse faculty and **32,000** RNs plan to leave direct patient care. **By 2040, it's expected that Wisconsin will need 22,000 nurses to meet demand.**

Unblocking the Education Bottleneck: Meeting the Demand



Through the Wisconsin Nurse Educator Program (WNEP), **146 Wisconsin nurses were successfully awarded loan forgiveness dollars** and after graduation will teach in a Wisconsin nursing education program.

The forecasted demand for nurses in Wisconsin will depend on an increased number of nurse educators available to teach and nursing programs with the capacity to accept students.

Continued funding of the Wisconsin Nurse Educator Program is crucial to meeting the future health care needs in Wisconsin.