



State of Wisconsin  
2017 - 2018 LEGISLATURE

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**PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 20.435 (5) (eg) and 146.643 of the statutes; **relating to:** grant  
2             for graduate training of psychiatric nurses and making an appropriation.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

This bill requires the Department of Health Services to award a grant in each fiscal year to an institution of higher education for its graduate program in psychiatric mental health nursing. To receive a grant, the graduate program must commit to doing certain activities as specified in the bill.

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

3             **SECTION 1.** 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert  
4             the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
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1 **20.435 Health services, department of**

2 (5) MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES

3 (eg) Graduate psychiatric nursing

4 program grants	GPR	A	-0-	250,000
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5 **SECTION 2.** 20.435 (5) (eg) of the statutes is created to read:

6 20.435 (5) (eg) *Graduate psychiatric nursing program grants.* The amounts in  
7 the schedule for awarding a grant for a graduate program in psychiatric mental  
8 health nursing under s. 146.643.

9 **SECTION 3.** 146.643 of the statutes is created to read:

10 **146.643 Grants to support graduate psychiatric nursing programs.**

11 From the appropriation under s. 20.435 (5) (eg), the department shall distribute a  
12 grant of \$250,000 in each fiscal year to an institution of higher education for its  
13 graduate program in psychiatric mental health nursing. To receive a grant under this  
14 section the graduate program shall commit to doing all of the following:

15 (1) Expanding the number of students studying psychiatric mental health  
16 nursing.

17 (2) For students benefitting from the grant moneys under this section,  
18 requiring the students to commit to passing applicable board certification and to  
19 practicing in this state for at least 2 years after graduation from the program.

20 (3) Expanding the instructional capacity available to teach psychiatric mental  
21 health nursing.

