

School Health Professional Grant Program - State and Local Federal Recovery Funds 22-1243 & 22-147 (SLFRF)



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Overview

The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) program is a part of the American Rescue Plan. SLFRF funds are given to eligible education providers to enhance the presence of school health professionals in both elementary and secondary schools. School Health Professionals are School Nurses, School Psychologists, School Social Workers, and School Counselors.

This federal reimbursement grant program intends to:

- Increase the presence of licensed school health professionals to provide behavioral health education and intervention to students who are enrolled in elementary and secondary schools.
- Provide training and resources to school staff for implementing evidence-based programming for behavioral health education and care for all students.
- Allow school health professionals to connect students enrolled in elementary and secondary schools with services provided by community-based organizations for treatment and counseling.
- HB22-1243 appropriates \$2 million from the behavioral and mental health cash fund to the department of education for the behavioral health care professional matching grant program.
- SB-147 appropriates \$5 million for the behavioral health care professional matching grant program to expand access to behavioral health-care services for children and families.
- HB22-1243 and SB 22-147 are federal reimbursement grants. Grantees are required to submit for at least quarterly reimbursement through the Request for Funds (RFF) process. The reimbursement period will end December 30th, 2024.

House Bill 22-1243 and Senate Bill 22-147 authorized additional funding for the program from State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (part of the American Rescue Plan). Grant funding will be awarded to local education providers to enhance the presence of school health professionals in both elementary and secondary schools. School Health Professionals are School Nurses, School Psychologists, School Social Workers, and School Counselors.

To learn more about State and Local Federal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)



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