
Students Advocacy

Context:

May 6. [AACN Applauds President's Recognition of Nurses and Pledges to Protect Funding for NINR and Nursing Workforce](#)

Ask:

Send a letter to your representatives ([based on your voting zip code](#)):

In support of providing vital assets for nursing by retaining the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR), supporting nurse scientists and researchers throughout NIH, and fully funding all Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs.

From AACN: Protecting and investing in these vital nursing programs is critical for addressing “the root causes of chronic disease, reducing its prevalence, and ensuring that nurses have the support they need in order to continue providing life-saving care.” In fact, Title VIII and NINR help support faculty as they educate the future nursing workforce, increase the number of meaningful clinical experiences in medically underserved and rural communities, strengthen nursing workforce capacity, support innovation within the profession, and advance evidence-based interventions.”

You can adapt the following suggested letter you can email to your representatives ASAP.

Date

Dear _____,

My name is _____ and I am a nursing student at the University of San Francisco School of Nursing and Health Professions. As a student, we have learned the importance of exercising our nursing voices to advocate for our patients, community members, and profession.

I am reaching out to you as my representative because I am concerned with the nursing profession and nursing education, specifically the need to protect and invest in nursing programs as critical actions for addressing the root causes of chronic disease, reducing its prevalence, and ensuring that nurses have the support they need to continue providing life-saving care.

As the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) states, Title VIII and the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) help support faculty as they educate the future nursing workforce, increase the number of meaningful clinical experiences in medically underserved and rural communities, strengthen nursing workforce capacity, support innovation within the profession, and advance evidence-based interventions.

I urge you to support Title VIII and nursing research if you support the increase in meaningful clinical experiences in medically underserved and rural communities, strengthening nursing workforce capacity, supporting innovation within the profession, and advancing evidence-based interventions.

The future of nursing and healthcare is in your hands. Your community's health depends on the nurse's workforce, and their education is crucial.

Respectfully,
