Health Workforce Council Staff Updates

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Staff to the Health Workforce Council



2025 Council meeting dates

- April 1, 2025 (virtual)
- June 25, 2025 (in-person, rural westside location)
- September 26, 2025 (virtual)
- November 20, 2025 (virtual)
- Staff will send calendar holds to Council members soon
- Website will be updated later this year with dates/meeting links



2025 Health workforce budget request

- **Currently:** Workforce Board receives a \$240K annual appropriation to staff and support the work of the Health Workforce Council
 - Since 2019, increased costs for staffing, travel, and other activities have eroded the amount of funding available to support the health and behavioral health portfolios
 - \$240K covers 0.85 FTE of staff time for the Council; \$1K for conference, travel, and meeting costs; and \$100K contract with UW Center for Health Workforce Studies to support the Health Workforce Sentinel Network



2025 Health workforce budget request

- Workforce Board submitted an agency budget request to maintain work on healthcare and behavioral health workforce, summary will be included in 2024 report
- Requested: \$345K in FY26 and \$327K ongoing beginning in FY27
 - This is in addition to the current \$240K proviso. The combined amount will support:
 - 2.5 FTE (1.65 new FTE) for healthcare and behavioral health workforce research and policy development
 - \$115K annually to support increased annual costs to operate Health Workforce Sentinel Network
- Update: Selected as Children and Youth Behavioral Health Workgroup advocacy agenda support item in November

Questions?

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