

Health Workforce Retention Program – Funded Projects
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#	Lead	Description
1	Cypress Health Region	<p>Purchasing a computer database to track employees' specific educational needs, thereby helping the region provide appropriate professional development opportunities.</p> <p>Funding: \$11,782</p>
2*	Cypress Health Region	<p>Expanding to rural communities a model of nursing care that emphasizes nursing autonomy, accountability, full scope of practice and team spirit, which, in turn, contributes to increased job satisfaction and improved patient care.</p> <p>Funding: \$75,000</p>
3	Mamawetan Churchill River Health Region	<p>Professional development training for mental health and addictions employees to use a specialized program allowing staff to follow standardized, effective practices in order to better provide client care.</p> <p>Funding: \$24,098</p>
4	Prairie North Health Region	<p>Providing a computer at each community health clinic, thereby increasing public health nurses' efficiency, and ensuring data is entered in a timely manner.</p> <p>Funding: \$6,500</p>
5	Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region	<p>Redesigning and piloting an enhanced orientation program for the public health nursing department.</p> <p>Funding: \$75,006</p>
6	Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region	<p>Installing a "boom system" into the endoscopy units at the Regina General Hospital and the Pasqua Hospital. This system descends from the ceiling of the procedure room with specialized medical equipment attached to the overhead arms, thereby reducing risk of employee injury caused by cramped workspace.</p> <p>Funding: \$75,000</p>
7*	Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region	<p>Providing staff in the mother-baby unit at the Regina General Hospital with educational support as the unit changes to a family-centred focus where the same nurse is responsible for the total care of assigned mothers and babies.</p> <p>Funding: \$70,100</p>
8	Saskatchewan Cancer Agency – Allan Blair Cancer Centre	<p>Providing professional development opportunities for eight oncology nurses.</p> <p>Funding: \$20,000</p>
9	Saskatoon Health Region	<p>Funding for a regional dietician to consult with and support dieticians working in rural areas.</p> <p>Funding: \$75,000</p>

10	Saskatoon Health Region	Developing a personal safety training program for community-based health care workers. Funding: \$70,033
11	Five Hills Health Region	Providing nursing coordination at Providence Place Long-term Care Centre to relieve managers who are on vacation or extended time off, and developing and implementing staff education for long-term care workers. Funding: \$75,000
12	Five Hills Health Region	Developing advanced training in cognitive behaviour therapy for mental health and addictions workers in order to better provide client care. Funding: \$164,415
13	Saskatchewan Society of Medical Laboratory Technologists (MLTs)	Developing a telehealth-based professional development program for medical laboratory technologists, especially those working in rural Saskatchewan. Funding: \$46,600
14	Sunrise Health Region and the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE)	Expanding on work that Sunrise Health Region and CUPE have previously completed concerning quality workplaces, job satisfaction, and employee retention. Funding: \$75,000

**Note: Projects #2 and #7 received funding in 2007 but were not announced at that time, as they were pending additional information and partner support.*