

## **Guidance Document**

University of Nebraska  
University of Nebraska Medical Center  
Behavioral Health Education Center of Nebraska (BHECN)

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### **Project Summary**

In 2022, the Nebraska legislature passed LB1014, which allocated American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to various entities across Nebraska. In LB1014, the Behavioral Health Education Center of Nebraska (BHECN), which is located at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, was



Psychiatry Fellowships  
Executive Fellowships  
Behavioral health Certification Programs  
Other time-limited training opportunities

Telebehavioral health support in rural areas. Projects in this award category will focus on increasing access to behavioral healthcare through telebehavioral services. Proposed budgets will not exceed \$1,000,000. Projects in this category could include:

- Telebehavioral health equipment
- Technical assistance
- Establishment of a state-wide telebehavioral health network
- Telebehavioral health training and certification
- Behavioral Health Consultant Network
- Other telebehavioral health support and/or programs

Behavioral health workforce projects for students and behavioral health professionals related to behavioral health issues caused or exacerbated by the COVID-19 public health emergency. Projects in this award category will focus on providing educational programs, recruitment and retention projects, and research related to the behavioral health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Proposed budgets will not exceed \$100,000. Projects could include:

- Education on behavioral health impacts of COVID-19
- Education on behavioral health workforce impacts of COVID-19
- Resiliency training
- Wellness initiatives
- Provider/caregiver burnout
- Recruitment and retention initiatives for behavioral health students and providers
- Other behavioral health educational programs related to COVID-19

Funding for licensed behavioral health supervisors currently employed in Nebraska.

fiscal monitoring and compliance. The University is coordinating with State Accounting to establish University business units to spend directly from the Military fund at NIS.